

**GOA UNIVERSITY**  
**Taleigao Plateau, Goa 403 206**

**MINUTES**

**of the 12<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Standing Committee of**

**IX ACADEMIC COUNCIL**

**Day & Date**

**12<sup>th</sup> May,2020**

**Time**

**11.00 a.m.**

**HELD**  
**ONLINE VIA GOOGLE MEET**

**Twelfth Meeting of the Standing Committee of the IX Academic Council**

Date: 12-05-2020

Time: 11.00 a.m.

Held Online via Google Meet.

The following members were present for the meeting:

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| 1. Prof. Varun Sahni,<br>Vice-Chancellor, Goa University  | - Chairperson       |
| 2. Prof. K. S Priolkar,<br>Dean, Faculty of Natural Sciences  | - Member            |
| 3. Prof. P. K. Sharma,<br>Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences & Environment.                             | - Member            |
| 4. Prof. Ashish K. Rege,<br>Dean, Faculty of Planning, Architecture & Design                        | - Member            |
| 5. Prof. Shaila Desouza,<br>Department of Women's Studies   | - Member            |
| 6. Dr. Purnakala V. Samant,<br>Principal, Govt. College of Arts, Science and Commerce,<br>Khandola. | - Member            |
| 7. Prof. Pranab Mukhopadhyay,<br>Director, DIQA   | - Permanent Invitee |
| 8. Prof. Anuradha Wagle,<br>Controller of Examinations  | - Permanent Invitee |
| 9. Prof. Y. V. Reddy,<br>Registrar  | -Member Secretary   |

Dr. M. Shanti, Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre, Assagao, Bardez, Goa sought leave of absence due to urgent prior commitment.

The following on campus Deans attended the meeting as Special Invitees:

1. Prof. Nina Caldeira,  
Dean,  
Faculty of Languages and Literature

2. Prof. Silvia Noronha,  
Dean,  
Faculty of Social Sciences
  
3. Prof. H. B. Menon,  
Dean,  
School of Earth, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences
  
4. Prof. V. V. Kamat,  
Dean,  
Goa Buasiness School.
  
5. Prof. V. S. Nadkarni,  
Dean,  
School of Chemical Sciences,

The Chairperson (Vice-Chancellor) welcomed the members to the twelfth meeting of the Standing Committee of the IX Academic Council and in particular all the Deans of the Faculties and Schools who were attending the meeting as special invitees. The Vice-Chancellor informed the Members and Special Invitees that the meeting had been convened at short notice in order to give statutory support to the decisions taken by the University in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thereafter the agenda was taken up for discussion.

<b>D</b>	<b>DISCUSSIONS</b>
<b>D 5</b>	<b>STATUTES AND ORDINANCES</b>
<b>D 5.1</b>	<p><b>Proposed part amendment to the Statute SA-2 incorporating a new provision to propose Special Ordinances during emergencies, calamities and disasters</b></p> <p>The Registrar briefed the members on the proposed part amendment to Statute SA-2 incorporating a new provision to propose Special Ordinances during emergencies, calamities and disasters. He informed that the new provision was being proposed to cater to the diverse needs of the student and teaching community during an emergency, natural calamity, pandemic or such other unforeseen circumstances, including but not limited to the teaching-learning process, academic calendar/terms, examination and evaluation, etc. wherein it was difficult to convene the meetings of the various Statutory bodies to take decisions.</p> <p>After discussion the Standing Committee of the Academic Council approved the Proposed part amendment to the Statute SA-2 with the suggestion to modify clause (ii) to read as:</p> <p>SA-2(7) (ii) All provisions of any such Special Ordinance shall temporarily supersede the relevant provisions of existing Ordinance(s) of the University.</p> <p>It was decided to place the proposed part amendment to the Statute SA-2 incorporating a new provision to propose Special Ordinances during emergencies, calamities and disasters before the Executive Council.</p> <p align="center"><b>(Action: AR Academic - PG)</b></p>

<b>D 5.2</b>	<p><b>To consider the proposed new Special Ordinance relating to the conduct of academic programmes during the COVID-19 pandemic</b></p> <p>The Controller of Examinations, member of the Committee constituted under the Chairpersonship of Prof. M. K. Janarthnam for the purpose of drafting the Special Ordinance briefed the members.</p> <p>After discussion the Standing Committee of the Academic Council finalised and approved the proposed new Special Ordinance relating to the conduct of academic programmes during the COVID-19 pandemic incorporating changes suggested by the members.</p> <p>It was decided to place the proposed new Special Ordinance OS -1 to the conduct of academic programmes during the COVID-19 pandemic before the Executive Council.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>(Action: AR Academic - PG)</b></p>
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The Standing Committee of the Academic Council placed on record its appreciation to Prof. M. K. Janarthnam, Chairperson of the Committee and its Members for the outstanding work in drafting the proposed amendment to Statute SA-2 and the proposed new Special Ordinance OS – 1.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair and all present.

Sd/-  
(Prof. Y. V. Reddy)  
Registrar and Member Secretary

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(Prof. Varun Sahni)  
Vice-Chancellor

Date: 12/05/2020