

**MINUTES OF THE FORTIETH MEETING OF THE
ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 25.06.2012.**

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GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE, GANDHIGRAM**

Members Present:

1.	Dr.SM..Ramasamy Vice-Chancellor	President
2.	Dr.B.Padmanabha Pillai, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Tamil, I.L. and R.A.	Member
3.	Dr.A.Joseph Dorairaj Prof. & Dean, Faculty of English and Foreign Languages	Member
4.	Dr.R.Kumuthakalavalli, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Rural Oriented Sciences	Member
5.	Dr.T.Rajendran, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Rural Social Sciences & Head, Department of Sociology	Member
6.	Dr.T.Senthivel Professor and Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and A.H.	Member
7.	Dr.M.Salim Baig, Professor & Head, Department of Hindi.	Member
8.	Dr.P.Balasubramaniam Professor & Head, Department of Mathematics	Member
9.	Dr.K.Jayakumar Professor & Head, Department of Physics	Member
10.	Dr.M.Sundaravadivelu Professor & Head, Department of Chemistry	Member
11.	Dr.K.S.Pushpa Professor & Head, Department of Home Science	Member
12.	Dr.A.David Ravindran Professor & Head, Department of Biology	Member
13.	Dr.K.Somasundaram Professor & Head, Department of Computer Science & Applications	Member
14.	Dr.B.Tamilmani Professor & Head, Department of Cooperation	Member
15.	Dr. S.Ramaswamy Professor & Head, Department of Economics	Member
16.	Dr.A.Celine Rani Associate Professor & Head, Department of Pol.Sci. & D.A.	Member
17.	Dr.M.Mallammal Professor & Head, Department of Gandhian Thought	Member
18.	Dr.R.Seerangarajan Professor & Head, Department of RIM	Member

19.	Dr.A.Jahitha Begam Associate Professor and Head Department of Education	Member
20.	Dr.P.Anandharajakumar, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Rural Development	Member
21.	Dr.S.Gunasekaran Associate Professor & Head, Department of Applied Research	Member
22.	Dr.R.Subburaman, Professor & Head, Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension	Member
23.	Dr.S.K.Gopal Associate Professor and Head, Department of Extension Education	Member
24.	Dr.M.A.Sudhir Professor of Applied Research	Member
25.	Dr.G.Palanithurai, Professor of Political Science and Development Administration	Member
26.	Dr.Thilagavathy Daniel Professor of Biology	Member
27.	Dr.B.Subburaj Professor of Cooperation	Member
28.	Dr.M.Kuruvammal, Professor of Tamil	Member
29.	Dr.M.R.Kubendran, Professor of English	Member
30.	Dr.S.Gurusamy Professor of Sociology	Member
31.	Dr.S.Ramesh Associate Professor in Chemistry	Member
32.	Dr.A.Easwaran, Associate Professor in Extension Education	Member
33.	Dr.P.Anitha Pius Associate Professor of Chemistry	Member
34.	Dr.P.U.Mahalingam Assistant Professor of Biology	Member
35.	Dr.S.S.Vijayanchali Assistant Professor of Home Science	Member
36.	Mrs.P.Kalavathy Assistant Professor of Computer Science and Applications	Member
37.	Dr.BhoopSingh Director/Scientist 'F' NRDMS, Department of Science and Technology Govt. of India, New Delhi	Member
38.	Dr.S.K.Subramanian, Sr. Scientist & Group Director, NRSC Hyderabad	Member
39.	Dr.G.James Pitchai Professor, Soil Science, Regional Research Station Aruppukottai	Member

40.	Dr.V.Anuradha Faculty Incharge, Faculty of Rural Health and Sanitation	Special Invitee
41.	Dr.T.Selvin Jebaraj Norman Professor, Centre for Future Studies	Special Invitee
42.	Dr.K.Velumani Professor & Director, Centre for Women Studies	Special Invitee
43.	Dr.K.Mahendran Director i/c., Rural Technology Centre	Special Invitee
44.	Dr.C.Ramanujam Asso. Professor cum Dy. Director Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy	Special Invitee
45.	Dr.B.Gurugnanam Director i/c. Centre for Applied Geology	Special Invitee
46.	Dr.M.Sivaraman Controller of Examination	Special Invitee
47.	Dr.M.G.Sethuraman Director, Internal Quality Assurance Cell	Special Invitee
48.	Dr.A.Abraham Deputy Librarian, Library	Special Invitee
49.	Dr.D.Grace Nirmala Deputy Director of Physical Education	Special Invitee
50.	Dr.A.P.A.Susila Kirubavathy Deputy Registrar (Academic)	Special Invitee
51.	Dr.N.Narayanasamy Registrar	Non-Member Secretary

The following members could not attend the meeting:

1. Dr.A.Pitchai, Professor of Tamil
2. Dr.N.S.Nagarajan, Professor of Chemistry
3. Dr.K.P.Vasanth Devi, Professor of Home Science

The meeting started with one minute silent prayer at 10.00 a.m.

The Chairman welcomed the members and stated that this is the first meeting of the authorities after the implementation of the Revised Memorandum of Association as per the UGC Regulations 2010 (Deemed Universities). He introduced the new members – Vice-Chancellor's nominee, Dr.BhoopSingh, Dr.S.K.Subramanian, Dr.G.James Pitchai to the august body. The Vice-Chancellor presented a brief account of the activities for the period from 26.3.2011 to 24.6.2012. To mention a few:

1. launching of the new programmes – M.Phil. in Women Studies, P.G.Diploma in Banking and Insurance, 4 years B.Sc. Agriculture, P.G.Diploma in Geology and Geomatics, B.Sc. Textiles and Fashion Design
2. Recruitment of teaching staff following the API pattern of the UGC
3. Recruitment of non-teaching positions
4. Signing of various MoUs with national and international agencies

5. Successful conduct of the XI Tamil Nadu Science Congress
6. Allotment of various research projects of Government and other agencies to GRI
7. Amendment of MoA, Rules and Bye laws as per the UGC Regulations 2010 and GRI is the second university to implement it successfully.
8. Creation of centres : Nano Technology, Climate Change, Tribal Studies, Applied Geology
9. Projected Proposals for XII Plan and sent to UGC.

1. Item No. 585/2012.AC.VI

To confirm the minutes of the Thirty Ninth meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.03.2011.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to confirm the minutes of the Thirty Ninth meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.03.2011.

2. Item No. 586/2012.AC.VI

To consider the report of the Registrar on the action taken on the resolutions passed by the Academic Council at its meeting held on 26.03.2011.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the report of the Registrar on the action taken on the resolutions passed by the Academic Council at its meeting held on 26.03.2011 with the following remarks :

Item No. 526/2009.AC.VIII :

- 2.11.1. Course work for Ph.D. :** The Academic Council considered and resolved that the research scholars who were admitted in August 2010, January 2011, August 2011 and January 2012 sessions have to undergo course work and write examinations as per the practice adopted earlier; however they have to undergo 3 course work and write examinations under course work.

The research scholars who will be admitted August 2012 onwards will be governed by
new Ph.D. regulations to be effective from August 2012.

- 2.11.4 – After discussions, it was resolved to constitute a Committee for restructuring the Village Placement Programme in order to strengthen the VPP and also to review the functioning of Rural Extension and Evaluation Cell.**

Item No.565/2011.AC.III :

The Academic Council considered and resolved to constitute a standing committee to look into the issue of equivalence certificate of various programmes as per the provisions of MOA and all the cases have to be referred to the above committee in future.

Item No.577/2011.AC.III :

The Academic Council appreciated the efforts taken by the GRI in starting of the four year B.Sc.(Agri.) Programme from the academic year 2012-13. The Academic Council suggested that all the ICAR norms may be fulfilled in the starting of the Programme and in the context of the starting of B.Sc. Agriculture it is also resolved to create various new departments required to fulfill the norms of ICAR in the Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry gradually. The Academic Council resolved that the creation of new departments may be placed in the Board of Studies of Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry and this may be brought to the Academic Council and later to the Board of Management for its approval.

3. Item No.587/2012.AC.VI

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of the committee constituted to evolve norms on the functioning of the Centres in GRI held on 04.01.2012.

The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the Committee constituted to evolve norms on the functioning of the Centres in GRI and resolved to defer the same.

4. Item No. 588/2012.AC.VI

To consider and give direction on the points to strengthen the teaching - learning – testing aspect.

The Academic Council considered and resolved that the feedback received from the students should be placed in the Academic Council for any improvement.

The Academic Council considered and resolved -

- (1) to include one alumnus as Special Invitee in the Board of Studies of the Faculty / Department.
- (2) regarding inclusion of a person from the industry it was informed that there is already a provision in the MoA/Rules of the Institute.
- (3) for conducting ICT based testing, it was suggested that the Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science which conducts audit course may conduct the test in on-line mode. The Controller of Examinations informed that it is possible to conduct the ICT-based tests if necessary infrastructure is provided.

5. Item No. 589/2012.AC.VI

To consider the request of the Head, Department of Political Science & Development Administration, GRI.

The Academic Council considered the request of the Head, Department of Political Science & Development Administration, GRI seeking permission to submit M.A dissertations in

Tamil. After discussions, it was resolved to continue the current system of submitting the project work / all other dissertations in English.

6. Item No. 590/2012.AC.VI

To consider the request of Dr. M. Soundarapandian, Professor, Department of RIM to grant permission to apply for the Ph.D guideship in other Universities.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to give reply as per the provisions of the New Regulations of Ph.D. Programme in GRI.

7.Item No. 591/2012. AC.VI

To consider the request of the Director, Women's Studies Centre, and give direction to attach the Women's Studies centre with a faculty.

The Academic Council considered the request of the Director, Centre for Women's Studies and resolved that (i) the Centre for Women's Studies will come under Faculty of Rural Social Sciences. (ii) However, as she belongs to Faculty of Rural Development, all her personal correspondences like leave, etc. will be routed through Dean, Faculty of Rural Development, whereas all the official correspondences pertaining to Women Studies will directly go to the Registrar.

8. Item No. 592/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the panel of Experts for constitution of Advisory Committee for finalization of the B.P.Ed. Syllabus:

Dr.Grace Nirmala, Deputy Director of Physical Education presented the panel of experts for finalization of the B.P.Ed. Syllabus and it was seconded by Dr.P.Anita Pius.

The Academic Council considered and resolved:

- (i) to approve the panel of experts for constitution of Advisory Committee.**
- (ii) to write to UGC for creation of Department of Physical Education.**

9. Item No. 593/2012.AC.VI

To consider the decision of the Syndicate with regard to change of nomenclature of the Department of the Lifelong Learning as Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension and give direction.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the change of nomenclature of Department of Lifelong Learning as Department of Lifelong Learning & Extension

10. Item No. 594/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Computer Science & Applications held on 22.12.2011.

Dr.K.Somasundaram, Professor and HOD of Computer Science and Applications presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Computer Science & Applications held on 22.12.2011 and it was seconded by Dr.R.Seerangarajan.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Computer Science & Applications held on 22.12.2011.

Dr.Somasundaram, Professor and Head, Department of Computer Science and Applications has brought to the notice of the Academic Council the change in the eligibility admission criteria for MCA Programme. The change in existing criteria is "Any graduate with 10+2+3 of study and studied Mathematics at +2 level and secured 50% marks in Degree (45% marks for SC/ST) is eligible.

The Academic Council resolved to approve the admission eligibility for MCA Programme and this will come into effect from the academic year 2013-14.

11. Item No. 595/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Malayalam held on 20.01.2012.

Dr.B.Padmanabha Pillai, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Tamil, Indian Languages and Rural Arts presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Malayalam held on 20.01.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.S.S.Vijayanchali.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Malayalam held on 20.1.2012.

12. Item No. 596/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in French held on 30.07.2011.

Dr.A.Joseph Dorairaj, Professor and Dean, Faculty of English and Foreign Languages presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in French held on 30.07.2011 and it was seconded by Dr.S.Ramaswamy.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in French.

Dr.Bhoop Singh, Member informed that the Institute may approach Indo-French Research Wing of the DST, Government of India for possible project funding.

13. Item No.597/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the consolidated statement of marks and provisional certificates to be given with photographs of those students who joined from the academic year 2011-12 onwards.

The Controller of Examinations presented the advantages of issuing the Certificates with photographs.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the issue of consolidated statement of marks and provisional certificates with photographs to the students who joined from the academic year 2011-12 onwards.

14. Item No.598/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the revision of Examination fees in order to cope up with the price hike and the tentative increase in remuneration rates, and including them in the “per semester fees” and collect the same along with other fee like Tuition fee, special fee, laboratory fee etc.

The Academic Council considered and in principle resolved to collect the examination fees along with the Semester Fees. The students who drop out from the programme will be refunded the examination fee paid by them. The supplementary examination fees alone will be paid separately.

The Academic Council considered the revision of examination fee and it was resolved to place this in the Fee Revision Committee.

15. Item No.599/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the introduction of Answer Booklet instead of mainsheet and additional sheets to avoid the problems of malpractice committed by some students and to improve the quality of invigilation.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the introduction of Answer Booklet containing 40 pages for three hours examination and 25 pages for two hours examination and to do away with the issue of additional answer sheet.

16. Item No.600/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the maximum number of attempts for the students to complete a programme.

The Academic Council considered resolved to approve n+2 attempts for the students in the same syllabus they studied and beyond that the students have to appear for the examination in the revised or the prevailing syllabus.

17. Item No.601/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the moderation of marks to the students who fail on borderline.

The Academic Council considered the moderation of marks to the students who fail on borderline and resolved to defer the same.

18. Item No.602/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the eligibility of writing the special supplementary examinations.

The Academic Council considered permitting the students for special supplementary examination and resolved to allow the final year students who failed in one paper only in any one of the semesters to appear for the special supplementary examination so as to enable the student to complete the programme.

19. Item No.603/2012.AC.VI

To consider and ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor, the certificate being issued by the Controller of Examination to the Ph.D scholars regarding the course work and to the effect that they have completed their Ph.D as per the UGC Regulations.

The Academic Council considered and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in issuing the Ph.D. completion Certificate as per the UGC Regulations to the Ph.D. scholars by the Controller of Examination.

20. Item No.604/2012.AC.VI

To consider and ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in recognizing the Research Supervisors / Joint Supervisors.

The Academic Council considered and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in recognising the Research Supervisors / Joint Supervisors as per the details furnished below:

Sl. No.	Name and designation	Recognised as	Area of Specialisation	w.e.f.
List of Research Supervisors recognized - Humanities and Social Sciences				
1	Dr.Neema Gnanadev Asst. Professor Dept. of Rural Development, GRI.	Research Supervisor	Rural Development	13.7.2011
2	Dr.K.Kesava Rajarajan, Asst. Professor Faculty of Tamil, GRI.	Research Supervisor	History in General, Art History, Fine Arts (including Rural) and Indian Culture	21.1.2012

3	Dr.K.Dhevan Asst. Professor Dept. Cooperation, GRI.	Research Supervisor	Cooperation	15.2.2012
4	Dr.S.Chidambaram Asst. Professor Faculty of Tamil, GRI.	Research Supervisor	Tamil	22.2.2012
5	Dr.R.Venkata Ravi Associate Professor Dept. of Life Long Learning, GRI.	Research Supervisor	Economics, Rural Organisations, Democratic Decentralisation, Project Planning and Management, Public Private Partnership, Adult Education and Literacy, Vocational Skill Development and Rural Energy	03.3.2012
6	Dr.G.Baskaran Associate Professor Faculty of English GRI.	Research Supervisor	Indian writing in English, Comparative Literature, Canadian Literature, Communi- cative English, American Literature, English Language Teaching and Commonwealth Literature	23.3.2012
7	Dr.C.Pitchai Associate Professor Dept. of Cooperation,GRI.	Research Supervisor	Cooperation, Commerce and Management	13.4.2012

List of Joint Supervisors recognized – August 2011 Session

Sl. No	Name and designation	Recognised as	Name of the research scholars	Area of Specialisation
1	Dr.N.Murugan Professor in Management Studies, PSNA College of Eng. & Tech. Dindigul	Joint Supervisor	Ms.R.Vinotha	Management
2	Dr.Sr.Mary Lucita Principal, University College of Nursing University College of Medical Education, TD Road, Ernakulam	Joint Supervisor	Mrs.Mini Sacharias and Mrs.Julee Joseph	Community Health Nursing, Multi- disciplinary – Education, Psychology & Public Health

3	Dr.M.Kannan Associate Professor, COE, Madurai Institute of Social Sciences Alagar Kovil Road Madurai-625 002	Joint Supervisor	Mr.C.Jim Jesudoss Viji	Social Work
4	Dr.S.Subbiah Associate Prof & Head i/c Dept. of English & Foreign Languages Alagappa University Karaikudi-630 003	Joint Supervisor	Mr.A.Krishnamoorthy	Education
5	Dr.P.Gopvindaraju Prof & HOD of Communication & Dean, Faculty of Arts M.S.University Tirunelveli-627 012	Joint Supervisor	Mr.M.Sankara- moorthy	Mass Communica- tion
6	Dr.S.Ramachandran Director, Dept. of Management Studies Sri Sankara Arts & Science College, Enathur, Kanchipuram-631 561	Joint Supervisor	Mr.AR.Chandrasekar	Marketing Management
7	Dr.A.Muthumanicam Prof. & HOD of Education, Director of Distance Education M.K.University, Madurai	Joint Supervisor	Mr.A.Prabhakar Devaraj	Educational Technology/N on-formal Education
8	Dr.S.Manimaran Director, Dept. of Management Studies Sri Sankara Arts & Science College, Enathur, Kanchipuram-631 561	Joint Supervisor	Mr.N.Anandakumar	Management
9	Dr.N.Ramakrishnan Sr.Lecturer in Education Thiagarajar College of Preceptors, Madurai	Joint Supervisor	Mr.V.Peter <u>Raj</u>	Education
10	Dr.G.Ramakrishnan Associate Professor Dept. of Education M.K.University, Madurai	Joint Supervisor	Mr.P.Jabarullakhan	Education

List of Research Supervisors recognized - Science Discipline

Sl. No.	Name and designation	Recognized as	Area of specialization	Date
1	Dr.S.S.Vijayanchali, Assistant Professor Dept. of Home Science, GRI- DU	Research Supervisor	Food and Nutrition	26.4.2012

2	Dr.B.Gurugnanam, Associate Professor, Centre for Applied Geology, Gandhigram Rural Institute.	Research Supervisor	Applied Geology	13.2.2012
3	Dr.S.Sivagurunathan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Science & Applications ,	Research Supervisor	Computer Networks and Network Security	11.1.2012
4	Dr.P.Muthukumar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, Gandhigram Rural Institute	Research Supervisor	Control Theory/Differential Equations	16.03.2011
5	Dr.R.Rajkumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, Gandhigram Rural Institute	Research Supervisor	Coding Theory and Graph Theory	28.04.2011
6	Dr. P. Kalimuthu, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Gandhigram Rural Institute	Research Supervisor	Chemistry	02.05.2011
7	Dr. T. Kalaiselvi, Assistant Professor Department of Computer Science and Applications, GRI	Research Supervisor	Digital Image Processing and Medical Image Analysis	23.07.2011
8	Dr. M. Seenivasa Perumal, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Gandhigram Rural Institute	Research Supervisor	Heterocyclic Chemistry, Medicinal Chemistry and Asymmetric synthesis	27.07.2011
9	Dr.K.K. Satheesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry	Research Supervisor	Chemistry	6.8.2011
10	Dr.K.Mahendran, Associate Professor, Rural Technology Centre	Research Supervisor	Civil Engineering	5.9.2011
11	Dr.Sahul Hameed Assistant Professor Dept. of Home Science	Research Supervisor	Home Science/ Food Science	26.8.2011
12	Dr.R.Ramasubbu Assistant Professor Dept. of Biology	Research Supervisor	Botany	26.8.2011

Joint Supervisors recognized 2011-12

Sl. No.	Name and designation	Recognized as	Research scholar	Area of specialization
1)	Prof. P.S.John, HOD, Regenerative Medicine, St. Thomas Hospital, Chettipuzha,	Joint supervisor	Dr.Aneen N Kutty Part time scholar, Dept. of Chemistry	Orthopaedics

	Chenganachery, Kurishumood (post) Kerala.			
2)	Dr.C.Sairam Sundaram Lecturer in Chemistry Dept. of Science and Humanities Karaikal Polytechnic college, Karaikal	Joint supervisor	Ms.Y.Sangeetha, Part time scholar, Dept. of Chemistry	Environ- mental Chemistry
3)	Dr.G.James Pitchai Dean, Thanthai Roever Institute of Agriculture and Rural Development Elambalur, Perambalur	Joint supervisor	Ms.K.Shanthi Full time scholar, Centre for Futures Studies	Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry
4)	Dr.K.N.Aravinda Ghosh, Prof & Head, Veterinary College Hospital, Mannuty, Thrissur, Kerala	Joint supervisor	Dr. Shibu Simon., Part time scholar, Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry	Animal Reproduction
5)	Dr.D.Nedumaran Assistant Professor (stage 3) University of Madras Chennai	Joint Supervisor	Mr.T.Kumaresan Part time scholar Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry	Biomedical Instrumen- tation

21. Item No.605/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Lifelong Learning held on 05.06.2012.

Dr.R.Subburaman presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Lifelong Learning held on 05.06.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.A.Balakrishnan.

Dr.M.Mallammal, Professor and HOD of Gandhian Thought objected to the starting of a new course with nomenclature M.A. Human Resource Management as the course content and nomenclature are almost similar to the course M.A. Human Resource and Conflict Management offered by the Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Science from 2003-2004.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to constitute a Committee to evaluate the nomenclature, course content and other related items for M.A. Human Resource Management and the report of the Committee will be placed in the next meeting of the Academic Council for its consideration.

The Academic Council further resolved to approve the Certificate Course in Digital Photography and Diploma in Videography on self-supporting basis.

22. Item No.606/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Faculty of English & Foreign Languages held on 07.05.2012.

Dr.A.Joseph Dorairaj, Dean, Faculty of English and Foreign Languages presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Faculty of English & Foreign Languages held on 07.05.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.K.Somasundaram.

The Academic Council considered and approved the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Faculty of English & Foreign Languages held on 07.05.2012.

It was also resolved to remove Point No.4 from the BOS minutes for considering MA Comparative Literature and Cultural Studies (UGC Innovative Programme offered from 2005 to 2010) as equivalent to MA English and Communicative Studies, since as per the revised MoA, there is a separate Standing Committee to address this issue.

23. Item No.607/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Centre for Applied Geology held on 01.06.2012.

Dr.B.Gurugnanam, Associate Professor and Director i/c., Centre for Applied Geology presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Centre for Applied Geology held on 01.06.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.A.Joseph Dorairaj.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Centre for Applied Geology and further resolved that the Diploma Programme will be commenced in the current academic year and the P.G. Programme will be started by following the established procedure of the institute.

24. Item No.608/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Home Science held on 08.06.2012.

Dr.K.S.Pushpa, Professor and Head, Department of Home Science presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Home Science and it was seconded by Dr.Jahitha Begum.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Home Science.

25. Item No.609/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Tamil held on 08.06.2012.

Dr.B.Padmanabha Pillai, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Tamil, IL & RA presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Tamil and it was seconded by Dr.R.Kumuthakalavalli.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Tamil.

26. Item No.610/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Physics held on 18.05..2012.

Dr.K.Jayakumar, Professor and Head, Department of Physics presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Physics held on 18.05..2012 and it was seconded by Dr.A.David Ravindran.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Physics.

27. Item No. 611/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the setting of question papers for 60 marks for End Semester Examination (ESE) instead of 100 marks in order to avoid the problem of conversion in finalizing the results.

Dr.M.Sivaraman, Controller of Examination presented the difficulties in arriving at the average of CFA and ESE marks and quoted an example.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to set the question paper for 100 marks and convert it to 60 marks in ESE.

28. Item No. 612/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) held on 21.06.2012.

Dr.G.Palanithurai, Chairman, Research Advisory Committee presented the minutes of the RAC held on 21.6.2012.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the Minutes of the meeting of the research advisory committee and resolved to approve the M.Phil. and Ph.D. regulations with the following corrections in some of the clauses:

M.Phil. Regulations.

It was resolved to include the evaluation process of the M.Phil. dissertation in the regulations.

Ph.D. Regulations:

1.0 ELIGIBILITY

a). *The candidates (Indian / foreigner) who have studied under 10+2+3+2 years pattern or 10+2+5 years pattern of education and qualified for the award of the Master's Degree in **relevant discipline** in Gandhigram Rural Institute – Deemed University (GRI-DU/GRI) or any other university recognized by the University Grants Commission in relevant discipline with not less than 55% (50% for SC/ST and part-time non teacher candidates) marks or an equivalent grade are eligible.*

8.1 *If the Research Scholars are taking the regular courses going on in their Departments and the other departments of GRI they will write the examinations along with the regular students and COE will conduct the exams, declare the results **and issue the marksheet**. Similarly, the Ph.D Scholars undergone the courses in the **Academic / Research** institutions of Joint Supervisors or the Doctoral Committee Members will write the examinations in the respective institutions which will declare the results and award marks. For the scholars for whom the doctoral committee has framed the syllabi, the D.C. will submit a panel of 5 outside examiners for setting the question papers for course work no.1&2 within six months from the date of admission. However for the course work no.3 the D.C. will set the question paper. The COE will get the Question papers set as per the pattern given in Annexure-I and get the answer scripts evaluated by the question paper setters and the*

Research Supervisor / course teacher. The passing minimum will be 50 marks and the average of both valuations for the pass is 60%. Grade Sheets will be issued by the Controller of Examinations.

2.0 DURATION OF THE PROGRAMME

Category	with M.Phil./ME/M.Tech.		without M.Phil. /ME/M.Tech.	
	Minimum (Yrs)	Maximum (Yrs)	Minimum (Yrs)	Maximum (Yrs)
Full-time	2	4	3	5
Part-time	3	5	4	6

15.0 EARLY SUBMISSION

For a Research Scholar with atleast four publications (based on the doctoral research work) in refereed journals / patents, the minimum period can be reckoned as follows:

- i) Scholars with M.Phil./ME/M.Tech.-(Full-time) 2 years to 1½ years
- ii) Scholars with M.Phil./ME/M.Tech.-(Part-time) 3 years to 2½ years
- iii) Scholars without M.Phil./ME/M.Tech. -(Full-time) 3 years to 2½ years
- iv) Scholars without M.Phil./ME/M.Tech. -(Part-time) 4 years to 3½ years

The decision on the above will be on the recommendation of the Research Supervisor and at the discretion of the Vice-Chancellor.

18.0 LEAVE

- 18.1 A full-time research scholar may avail a leave to the maximum of one year during his / her research period within the maximum period fixed

for the submission of the thesis. But, he / she is not eligible for leave during the period of extension.

18.2 *However, a full-time research scholar may avail a leave during the period of extension under extraordinary circumstances such as maternity, Medical grounds etc. Such leave will be granted by the Vice-Chancellor only on the specific recommendation of the **registered medical Officer not below the rank of Assistant Civil Surgeon** and the recommendation of the Research Supervisor and the HOD.*

19.0 RESEARCH SUPERVISOR

19.1 *A Professor / Associate Professor / Assistant Professor of GRI will be recognized as a Research Supervisor, if he / she fulfills the following conditions:*

- a). Completion of one year from the day of his / her Ph.D. viva-voce; and*
- b). Evidence of research publications (a minimum of three articles in refereed journals after Ph.D viva-voce).*

*The application for recognition should be submitted along with copies of supporting documents (CV, copy of the Ph.D degree certificate and reprints) to the Registrar through the HOD concerned **and based on the expert opinion, the recognition will be given.***

19.2 *External Supervisors also need to get themselves recognized following the above procedure (19.1) whenever a candidate requires their guidance as external Joint Supervisor.*

19.3 *Research Supervisors **in the cadre of Professor** are permitted to take maximum of Eight candidates, Seven candidates for Associate Professors and Six candidates for Assistants Professors (both Full-time and Part-time) in GRI including the other Universities as per UGC Regulations. This is inclusive of JRF or Project Fellows.*

The credit for the Joint Research Supervisor is the same as that of the Research Supervisor. However, it shall not be counted for permissible number of candidates for Joint Supervisor.

- 19.4 *Normally no change of Research Supervisor is permitted. However, in exceptional cases, **it can be permitted.***
- 19.5 *If a Research Supervisor retires or takes up an assignment outside GRI on deputation / lien, the candidate will be permitted to continue his / her research under the same Research Supervisor OR he / she may be permitted to change his / her Research Supervisor if desires so. But the date of registration, the area of research and the title of the study shall remain unaltered.*
- 19.6 *In case the Research Supervisor permanently leaves GRI, he cannot continue to guide any scholars in GRI.*
- 19.7 *The Research Supervisors while on lien/deputation to other institutions/retired from GRI cannot enroll new candidates for Ph.D in GRI.*

23.0 THESIS

- 23.1 *The candidates should have published atleast two research papers in **referred journals / books / edited volumes** with ISBN No., and produce the evidence in the form of reprints or acceptance letters to the COE before the submission of the thesis.*

24.0 PANEL OF EXAMINERS AND EVALUATION OF THESIS

- 24.1 *The Doctoral Committee shall provide a panel of 10 examiners, **5 from India** (outside Tamil Nadu and also not belonging to the state of the candidate) and 5 from other countries who will be the specialists in the subject in which the candidate has submitted the thesis. While submitting the panel of examiners, the Doctoral Committee has to submit one page CV highlighting the specialization and recent contributions of the panel of examiners.*

24.4 *The examiners will adjudicate the thesis and send their evaluation reports to the Controller of Examinations by selecting any one of the following options I to V:*

- I. *The thesis can be accepted for the award of the M.Phil./Ph.D degree in the present form.*
- II. a) *The thesis can be accepted for the award subject to the incorporation of the minor corrections indicated in my report*

(OR)

- b) *the candidate's satisfactory clarifications at the time of viva-voce*
- III. *The thesis must be revised, as suggested in my report and the revised thesis may be referred to the Supervisor for verification.*
- IV. *The thesis must be revised as suggested in my report and the revised the thesis must be resubmitted to me for evaluation again.*
- V. *The thesis cannot be accepted for the award of the degree and rejected.*

24.5 *The thesis will be accepted for the award of Ph.D. degree if all the three examiners accept it. If one of the examiners rejects the thesis, it will be sent to the fourth Examiner of the same category and the decision of the fourth Examiner will be final.*

24.8 *If the revision is suggested for the second time as per item IV in 24.4 then the thesis, along with the reports of the examiner, will be placed before the Doctoral Committee. If the Doctoral Committee, after going through the reports and the thesis, endorses the second revision, the thesis will be revised again by the candidate and will be referred to the same examiner for re evaluation.*

If the Doctoral Committee does not endorse the second revision, the thesis without further revision will be referred to the fourth Examiner of the same category without the report of the examiner who has suggested for second revision. The decision of the fourth examiner will be final.

25.0 VIVA-VOCE:

The following items are deleted:

25.5 *If the candidate is not successful in the first viva-voce he/she shall be given one more chance within 30-60 days.*

27.0 PUBLICATION OF THESIS / FINDINGS

The thesis, once submitted, becomes the property of GRI. In case the research comes under the "classified" category, it shall not be published without the approval of the Board of Management. The Board of Management may grant permission for publishing the results / findings on getting appropriate recommendation from the Vice-Chancellor. Two copies of the thesis in its published form must be submitted to the office of the Registrar.

28.0 Solving the Problems

In the event of any unforeseen problems/issues, the Vice-Chancellor's decision will be final.

FEES DETAILS

2. Fine

- a) From those who do not pay the Research Fee within the prescribed time, the following period-wise fine will be collected:
 - i) Upto one month : Rs.100/-
 - ii) Upto three months : Rs.200/-
 - iii) Upto six months : Rs.400/-
 - iv) Upto one year : Rs.800/-
- b) Fine for delayed submission of thesis : Rs.500/-
(beyond 6 months after the submission of synopsis)

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR DISSERTATION / THESIS

Prescribed format for submission of final Dissertation / Thesis for M.Phil. / Ph.D.

i) Cover / Face Sheet

Title of the Dissertation / Thesis

(Title of the Dissertation / Thesis should be compact)

29. Item No. 613/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Sociology held on 05.06.2012

Dr.T.Rajendran, Professor and Head, Department of Sociology presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Sociology held on 05.06.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.M.Mallammal.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Sociology.

30. Item No. 614/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Faculty of Rural Health and Sanitation held on 15.06.2012.

Dr.V.Anuradha, Associate Professor and Faculty incharge, Faculty of Rural Health and Sanitation presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Faculty of Rural Health and Sanitation held on 15.06.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.K.S.Pushpa.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of Faculty of Rural Health and Sanitation.

31. Item No. 615/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy held on 19.06.2012

Dr.C.Ramanujam, Associate Professor–cum–Deputy Director, Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy presented the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy held on 19.06.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.T.Rajendran.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy and it was resolved to include Dr.Ambedkar under Unit II: Approaches to study Social Exclusion of M.Phil. programme in I semester.

32. Item No.616/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Studies for the Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry held on 10.05.2012.

Sr.T.Senthivel, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry presented the minutes of the meeting of Board of Studies and it was seconded by Dr.B.Subburaj.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Studies for the Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Husbandry held on 10.05.2012 and to follow the ICAR norms in the examination pattern and distribution of grade points as is being followed by other Agricultural Colleges and Research Institutions as the ICAR pattern is completely different from the pattern followed in GRI for other Programmes.

The Academic Council further resolved to approve the syllabus with the condition that there will be one paper in the final year final semester on effective communication skills in Tamil.

The Academic Council also resolved to recruit the faculty members on need basis and explore the possibility of getting support from the ICAR Educational Development Fund.

The Academic Council resolved to follow the ICAR norms for the Ph.D. programme in Agriculture as are followed in all the institutions in India running Agriculture programmes.

33. Item No. 617/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Cooperation held on 19.06.2012.

Dr.B.Tamilmani, Professor and Head, Department of Cooperation presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Cooperation held on 19.06.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.K.Velumani.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Cooperation. The Academic Council resolved to defer the change of nomenclature of the Department of Cooperation.

34. Item No. 618/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Extension Education held on 21.06.2012.

Dr.S.K.Gopal, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Extension Education presented the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of Extension Education held on 21.06.2012 and it was seconded by Dr.T.Senthivel.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies for the Department of Department of Extension Education.

35. Item No. 619/2012.AC.VI

To consider and approve the 12th Five Year Plan proposal sent to UGC

The Vice-Chancellor informed the members of the august body that UGC has informed all Universities to submit the proposal for the XII Plan on or before 10th April 2012 after getting it approved by the various bodies of GRI

As no bodies were existing because of the transition from old MOA to new MoA/Rules (as per UGC 2010), individual Heads of all Departments/Centres along with faculty members were individually invited for knowing their requirements, consolidated, put up to a specially constituted committee, finalized and submitted to UGC after getting approval in the Deans and HoDs meeting.

The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the XII plan proposal.

36. Item No. 620/2012.AC.VI

Any other matter

- 1. The Academic Council considered the requests made by the staff working in Computer Centre, Library and Physical Education and resolved to refer to the Research Advisory Committee.**
- 2. The Academic Council considered and approved the request of the Head, Department of RIM to shift the paper 'Principles of Accounting' to IV semester.**

The meeting came to a close at 7.00 p.m. with thanks to the Chair.

GANDHIGRAM
24.07.2012

DR.SM.RAMASAMY
VICE-CHANCELLOR

Dr.N.NARAYANASAMY
REGISTRAR