

HIDAYATULLAH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, RAIPUR (C.G.)
MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING DATED 19.01.2014

A meeting of the Academic Council of Hidayatullah National Law University under the Chairmanship of Prof. (Dr.) Sukh Pal Singh, Vice-Chancellor, Hidayatullah National Law University, took place on 19.01.2014 at 11.00 a.m. in the Board Room of the University at Raipur, wherein the following Hon'ble Members were present:

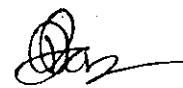
1. Prof. (Dr.) Sukh Pal Singh, Vice-Chancellor, HNLU
2. Shri A.K. Samant Ray, Principal Secretary, Law Department, Government of Chhattisgarh
3. Prof. Hanumant Yadav, Faculty Member, HNLU
4. Prof. D.K. Sharma, Professor, Law School, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
5. Shri Faisal Rizvi, Member, Bar Council of India
6. Dr. Avinash Samal, Assistant Professor, HNLU
7. Dr. Dipak Das, Associate Professor & Registrar (I/c.), HNLU

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the members. After verifying the quorum, the agenda items were taken up and decided as under:

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| 1. | <p><u>To recommend award of Degrees to the pass out students of B.A. LL.B. (Honours), LL.M. and B.A. (Law).</u></p> <p><u>Notes:</u> The students of HNLU have completed their academic courses and are eligible for award of Degrees (Lists enclosed)</p> <p>(1) 14 (Fourteen) students of B.A. LL.B. (Honours) of Batch-I, Batch-II and Batch-III (Passed out in Repeat Examinations) <u>(Annexure I(a))</u>;</p> <p>(2) 28 (Twenty Eight) students of Batch-I and 07 (Seven) students of Batch-II of B.A. (Law) <u>(Annexure I(b))</u>;</p> <p>(3) 46 (Forty Six) students of Batch-IV <u>(Annexure I(c))</u>, 53 (Fifty Three) students of Batch-V <u>(Annexure I(d))</u>, 47 (Forty Seven) students of Batch-VI <u>(Annexure I(e))</u> of B.A. LL.B. (Honours); 59 (Fifty Nine) students of Batch-VII <u>(Annexure I(f))</u> of B.A. LL.B. (Honours); and</p> <p>(4) 09 (Nine) students of Batch-III of LL.M. <u>(Annexure I(g))</u></p> <p>(5) 22 (Twenty Two) students of Batch-IV of LL.M. <u>(Annexure I(h))</u></p> <p><u>Decision:</u> The Academic Council recommended award of Degrees to the pass out students of B.A. LL.B. (Honours), LL.M. and B.A. (Law) as proposed.</p> |



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| 2. | <p data-bbox="268 227 1366 305"><u>Institution of Gold Medals at HNLU – Perusal and approval of University rules, criteria and subject areas for the same.</u></p> <p data-bbox="268 338 371 371"><u>Notes:</u></p> <p data-bbox="268 371 1366 449">Few Gold Medals have already been instituted in the University for B.A. LL.B. (Honours) and LL.M. Degree Programme w.e.f. the year 2008.</p> <p data-bbox="268 482 1366 692">Further, as desired by Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.L. Dattu, Judge, Supreme Court of India & the Visitor, HNLU and as per the deliberations of the Executive Council meeting dated 22.09.2012, some of the members of the Executive Council have donated funds for institution of Gold Medals (<u>Annexure II(a)</u>), apart from five new Gold Medals to be instituted by the University.</p> <p data-bbox="268 725 1366 869">The lists of Gold Medals for LL.M. and B.A. LL.B. (Honours) instituted/to be instituted (<u>Annexure II(b)</u>) for various subjectwise achievements (<u>Annexure II(c)</u>) at HNLU are enclosed for perusal and approval.</p> <p data-bbox="268 902 1366 979">University rules for institution of Gold Medals and Award of Gold Medal to a Student are enclosed for perusal and approval (<u>Annexure II(d)</u>).</p> <p data-bbox="268 1013 427 1046"><u>Decision:</u></p> <p data-bbox="268 1046 1366 1145">The Academic Council recommended approval to the University rules, criteria and subject areas for institution of Gold Medals at HNLU.</p> |
| 3. | <p data-bbox="268 1212 1366 1289"><u>To recommend award of Gold Medals to the eligible students of B.A. LL.B. (Honours) and LL.M. Degree Programmes.</u></p> <p data-bbox="268 1322 379 1355"><u>Notes:</u></p> <p data-bbox="268 1355 1366 1532">A committee of faculty members was constituted by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor to recommend award of above Gold Medals for the students of B.A. LL.B. (Honours) and LL.M. The Committee has scrutinized the names of students in the light of the University rules and made its recommendations. (<u>Annexure III</u>).</p> <p data-bbox="268 1566 1366 1643">It is therefore proposed that the students may be recommended for award of Gold Medals as above.</p> <p data-bbox="268 1676 427 1709"><u>Decision:</u></p> <p data-bbox="268 1709 1366 1809">The Academic Council recommended award of Gold Medals to the eligible students of B.A. LL.B. (Honours) and LL.M. Degree programmes, as proposed.</p> |



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| 4. | <p data-bbox="276 227 1361 305"><u>To recommend approval to the Ph.D. Ordinance drafted as per new Regulations of UGC.</u></p> <p data-bbox="276 305 375 338"><u>Notes:</u></p> <p data-bbox="276 338 1369 798">Ordinance for Ph.D. (Law) was approved by the Executive Council in its meeting dated 18.12.2005. However, the Ph.D. Programme is yet to be started at HNLU. Meanwhile, UGC has notified new Regulation for award of Ph.D. Degree (Regulation 2009, Minimum Standards and Procedure for the award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree), which is applicable to all Universities established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, Provincial Act or a State Act. Hidayatullah National Law University has been established by enactment of an Act by the State of Chhattisgarh, "Hidayatullah National University of Law Chhattisgarh Act 2003 (No. 10 of 2003). The University is also recognized u/s. 2(f) & 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956. Accordingly, it is mandatory on the part of the University to implement the UGC Regulation, 2009 for starting the Ph.D. programme at HNLU.</p> <p data-bbox="276 827 1369 968">As per the UGC's new Regulation, 2009 (<u>Annexure-IV(a)</u>), a new Ordinance for Ph.D. has been drafted (<u>Annexure-IV(b)</u>) for replacing the old ordinance. Accordingly, the matter is placed for perusal and approval.</p> <p data-bbox="276 1008 427 1041"><u>Decision:</u></p> <p data-bbox="276 1041 1369 1183">The Academic Council perused the draft Ordinance for Ph.D. prepared as per new Regulations of UGC. After incorporating necessary changes, the Academic Council recommended approval to the draft Ordinance for Ph.D.</p> |
| 5. | <p data-bbox="276 1249 1369 1358"><u>To recommend approval to draft Ordinance for One Year LL.M. program at HNLU as per UGC guidelines issued vide D.O. No.5-1/99(CPP-II) dated 18.01.2013.</u></p> <p data-bbox="276 1358 384 1391"><u>Notes:</u></p> <p data-bbox="276 1391 1369 1743">Vide above D.O. dated 18.01.2013, UGC has issued guidelines for introduction of One-Year LL.M. Degree Programme (<u>Annexure V(a)</u>). As per the guidelines, the Universities/institutions are required to establish a Centre for Post-Graduate Legal Studies from among the University/institution/its Departments/Faculty of Law. Accordingly, the University has established a Centre for Post-Graduate Legal Studies with adequate number of experienced and qualified faculty members and resources available with it. The University has also introduced One Year LL.M. Programme and admitted students w.e.f. academic session July 2013 as per the UGC guidelines.</p> <p data-bbox="276 1776 1369 1877">Accordingly, the matter is placed before the Academic Council for its recommendations to the Executive Council for approval to the draft Ordinance for One Year LL.M. Programme (<u>Annexure V(b)</u>).</p> |



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| | <p><u>Decision:</u> The Academic Council perused the draft Ordinance for One Year LL.M. Programme. After incorporating necessary changes, the Academic Council recommended approval to the draft Ordinance for One Year LL.M. Programme.</p> |
| 6. | <p><u>Draft Rules and Regulations for HNLU Alumni Association for perusal and approval.</u> <u>Notes:</u> There has been continuous request from students to have HNLU Alumni Association. Draft Rules and Regulations for the same have been prepared by the students and Faculty Advisors for the same which are placed herewith for perusal and approval (<u>Annexure VI</u>).</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> The Academic Council perused the draft Rules and Regulations for HNLU Alumni Association. After incorporating necessary changes, the Academic Council recommended approval to the draft Rules and Regulations for HNLU Alumni Association. The Academic Council also authorized the Vice-Chancellor to make necessary amendments and changes as per requirement from time to time.</p> |
| 7. | <p><u>Regarding application of Dr. Sheela Shridhar Mother of Mr. S. Shubhang, student B.A. LL.B. (Honours) for granting Extra Time & Extra Grace Marks for L.D. (Dyslexic) student in Exams.</u> <u>Notes:</u> Mr. S. Shubhang, student of B.A. LL.B. (Honours) had taken admission in HNLU in the academic session 2010-11 (July-August 2010).</p> <p>His mother Dr. Sheela Shridhar vide email dated November 10, 2010 has applied for granting Extra Time & Extra Grace Marks to his Dyslexic Son (<u>Annexure VII (a)</u>). In support of her application, she has submitted a copy of Circular No.Exam/92 of 2006 dated 05.08.2006 of wherein the Board of Examinations of Mumbai University has resolved to extend the following benefits to its candidates suffering from Dyslexia, Dysgraphia & Dyscalculia:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) To pass the examination, maximum 20 grace marks to be granted in one or more subjects as per the scheme of examination (i.e. in Theory Paper/Internal Project/Dissertation/Practical Oral, Viva-voce etc.) (2) Concession be given for spelling mistakes or math number (b/1 – 3/5) (3) Additional time of maximum 30 minutes be given to such candidates for the paper of 2 hours duration at the exam (4) The candidates be requested to mention their disability i.e. Dyslexia, Dysgraphia & Dyscalculia on the top of the main answer book. |



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| | <p>The matter was considered by HNLU and additional time of 30 minutes has been granted to him.</p> <p>Dr. Sheela Shridhar further vide her email dated February 3, 2011 has requested for giving Extra Grace Marks and changing the pattern of question paper from Descriptive Type to Objective Type for her son Mr. S. Shubhang. Since then she has been following up with the University and various quarters for the purpose <u>(Annexure VII (b))</u>.</p> <p>HNLU is recognized by UGC and Bar Council of India. Since the course in which relaxation, concessions and change of pattern is sought for the student is B.A. LL.B. (Honours) which is a professional course recognized by Bar Council of India, the University vide its letter No.HNLU/VCO/337/2011 dated 21.09.2011 sought guidance from the Bar Council of India in the matter <u>(Annexure VII(c))</u>.</p> <p>The Bar Council of India vide its letter No.BCI:D:1670:2012 dated 21.08.2012 addressed to Dr. Sheela Shridhar M/o. Mr. S. Shubhang has informed her that her representation was placed before the Legal Education Committee at its meeting held on 7th July, 2012. After consideration, the Committee has requested her to take up the matter with the University <u>(Annexure VII (d))</u>.</p> <p>The Court of the Chief Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, New Delhi vide its letter dated 30.09.2013 <u>(Annexure VII (e))</u> has also written to the Bar Council of India to consider the request of Dr. Sheela Shridhar.</p> <p>Accordingly, the matter is placed for perusal, discussion and further necessary action.</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> The Academic Council noted the time relaxation that has already been given to the student by the University. The Academic Council decided that since the University is recognized by the Bar Council of India under the Advocates Act, 1961, it is bound to follow the rules, regulations and guidelines for examination pattern and award of Law Degree as laid down by BCI, hence no relaxation can be given contrary to it.</p> |
| 8. | <p><u>Any other matter with the permission of the chair.</u> (1) Draft amended Ordinance for B.A. LL.B. (Honours). <u>Note:</u> As per BCI regulations, amended and updated as on date, necessary amendments have been incorporated in the Ordinance No.1 for B.A. LL.B. (Honours) <u>(Annexure-VIII)</u> as regard the courses and course credits. The same is placed for perusal and approval by the Academic Council.</p> |



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| | <p><u>Decision:</u> The Academic Council perused and recommended approval to the amended draft Ordinance for B.A. LL.B. (Honours).</p> <p>(2) Proposed Fee Structure for Ph.D. Programme</p> <p><u>Note:</u> The proposed Fee Structure for Ph.D. Programme (<u>Annexure IX</u>) is placed for perusal and approval.</p> <p><u>Decision:</u> The Academic Council recommended approval to the Fee Structure for Ph.D. Programme, as proposed.</p> |



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