

**MINUTES OF THE 3rd ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
11.00 A.M on 16.08.2010 AT RGNIYD**

The 3rd Academic Council meeting of the University was conducted on 16.08.2010 at 11.00 a.m in the Conference Hall. The meeting was chaired by Shri. Michael Vetha Siromony, IAS, Vice Chancellor and Director, RGNIYD. Dr. V. Reghu, Academic Co-ordinator, welcomed the Hon'ble members. He gave details about the students and indicated that there is a steady growth in the number of students from 2008 to 2010.

The following members attended the Academic Council Meeting:

1. Shri Michael Vetha Siromony, IAS, Director & Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development,
2. Dr. A. Sukumaran Nair, Former VC, MG University, Kottayam, Kerala
3. Prof. R. Jayashree, Professor, Department of Womens' Studies, Sri Padmavathi Women's University, Tirupati – 517 502.
4. Dr. Shankar Choudhury, UNESCO, New Delhi.
5. Dr. Gautham Gawali, Professor, University of Mumbai, Mumbai
6. Prof. (Ms.) Ashum Gupta, Professor, University of Delhi, Delhi
7. Tmt. S.P. Sarkuna Pandian, Chairperson, Tamil Nadu State Commission for Women, Chepauk, Chennai – 600 002.
8. Dr A. Radhakrishnan Nair, Head, SLSESH, RGNIYD University
9. Dr. Annette Mathew, Head, SGS, RGNIYD University
10. Dr. K. Giressan, Head, SGPP, RGNIYD University
11. Dr. J. Henry Rozario, Associate Professor, Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur
12. Dr V Reghu, HoD, SYSE, RGNIYD University

Agenda I : A Brief Report of the Academic Programmes of the Schools from May 2009 to August 2010.

The meeting started with an introductory address by Shri. Michael Vetha Siromony, IAS Vice Chancellor and Director, RGNIYD. The Chairperson presented a brief report of activities of the University from August 2009 to August 2010. Minutes of the 2nd Academic Council meeting held on 12th August 2009 at RGNIYD was presented before the meeting.

- He gave details of the 5 academic programmes run by RGNIYD and also indicated that 2 students of RGNIYD participated in the Ship for World Youth programme organized by Government of Japan.
- He gave a brief of the workshops, seminars, Research, Publications held by different schools of RGNIYD.

Resolution approved.—

Agenda 2 : Academic Programmes for 2010 – 2011

Action taken of the minutes on the second Academic Council meeting was presented by Dr. K. Gireesan, Head, School of Governance and Public Policy.

- The Academic Council was informed that the Syllabus of the 5 academic programmes have been revised as per CBCS pattern based on the UGC guidelines and suggestions by the UGC Review Committee.
- Dr. Gawali congratulated the RGNIYD for starting such efforts in the formative stage of the University itself.
- Dr. Ashum Gupta suggested that renaming the schools should be included in the action taken reports.

The following discussions were held in the meeting

Starting of M.Phil and Ph.D

- a. Academic Council insisted that M.Phil and Ph. D could be started. The EC may be appraised and requested to reconsider these courses as early as possible.
- b. It is high time to take up Research, Training and Publications, Publications of Journal of Research on youth activities. Ministry may be requested to clear the proposals within a short period of time.
- c. UGC guidelines have to be followed for M.Phil and Ph.D Entrance exams have to be conducted followed by interview.
- d. In addition to RGNIYD faculty, experts and practitioners from outside can be identified to address the students.

- e. The Research methodology can be regionalized as is the pattern in other Universities.

✓ Resolution Noted and Approved.

Agenda 3 : Certificate Programmes

- All the compulsory papers incorporated in the syllabus (CBCS Pattern) have been converted into the following certificate courses
- Community Radio – what is a CR forum best practices networking, reference to be made.
- Street, youth, migrant, female youth emphasis may be given to include on these issues

Agenda 4 : New Syllabus (CBCS) for M.A Programmes

The Academic Co-ordinator presented the details of the papers of Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) as recommended by Prof. Madaiah Committee during the UGC Review visit made to the University in February 2010. As per the new syllabus, a students need to acquire 90 credits to successfully complete the programme.

School of Gender Studies

Dr. Annette Mathews presented the syllabus of M.A Gender Studies on Choice Based Credit Systems. During the deliberations, the Council resolved that:

- a. The concept on Word Globalization to be included in the Gender Studies syllabus.
- b. Gender and Health, Reproductive health and HIV AIDS to be included according to the Government of India Health Policy.
- c. Women and literature – modern literature to be included in NRHM as optional subject in the syllabus.
- d. Homo sexuality and Hetro sexuality is to be emphasized.
- e. All the students be imparted on gender studies relating to feminism like Origin of the feminism.
- f. Uniformity in the units should be maintained.
- g. Important references to be included.
- h. In the 'Black Feminism Course', the emphasis shall be on gender and inclusion.
- i. Gender based violence, LGBT, women and peace are to be included in the syllabus.

