

Minutes of the Fortieth meeting of the Academic Council held on October 14, 2022

Fortieth Meeting of the Academic Council was convened on October 14, 2022 at 11:30 A.M. in the Board Room, 5th Floor, R.K. Academic and University Block under the Chairmanship of Dr Sudhir Sachdev, President, MGUMST.

List of the members who participated in the meeting is appended as **Appendix-1**. Members of the Council namely - Dr R.K. Sureka, Dr Anil Suri, Dr Subhash Nepalia, Dr Hemant Malhotra, Dr Nikhil Marwah & Dr Ashok Khandaka and Special Inviteees - Professor Sandeep Kumar, Dr Hari Gautam & Professor Avadhesha Surolia joined the meeting of the Council through video conferencing.

The Chairman at the outset of the meeting welcomed the esteemed members and Special Invitees attending the meeting online and in person. He introduced Professor Avadhesha Surolia to the members of the Academic Council and informed that Professor Surolia is the only scientist in India having Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) distinguished professorship and is presently at IISc, Bengaluru. The members welcomed Professor Surolia and thanked the Chairman for valuable addition of Professor Surolia to the Academic Council. The Chairman acknowledged and appreciated the contribution made by the members and special invitees in the academic growth of the University. Then after, the agenda items were taken. Discussions and deliberations took place on each agenda item and following decisions were taken -

- 1. Minutes of Thirty Ninth meeting of the Academic Council held on September 03, 2022 were confirmed.
- 2. Before passing the grace for the award of Degrees to the candidates who passed the University examinations and completed their internship (wherever applicable) during the period September 01, 2022 to October 11, 2022 before their conferment on the concerned candidates at the next Convocation, the President informed the Council that the University has taken a decision to confer honorary degree Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) honoris causa (h c) on Dr Naimish N. Mehta, MBBS, MS, FACRSI, FAIS, FEBS, FALS (HPB), presently Co-Chairman and Chief Liver Transplant Surgeon, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi for his contribution and high attainments in the field of Hepato-Biliary Surgery and Liver Transplantation worldwide. He has over 86 research publications in reputed National and International Journals and guided 19 DNB students.

The Council affirmed and highly appreciated the decision of the University regarding award of honorary Ph.D. degree to Dr Naimish Mehta.

For passing the grace for the award of honorary Ph.D. degree to Dr Naimish N. Mehta, New Delhi and the Degrees to the candidates who passed the University examinations and completed their internship (wherever applicable) during the period September 01, 2022 to October 11, 2022 before their conferment on the concerned candidates at the next Convocation, the Registrar, after seeking

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permission from the Chairman, requested Dr Swati Garg, Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Surgery to move to the Council to pass a grace for admission of her candidates to the said Degrees. Dr Swati Garg was also requested to move to the Council to pass a grace for admission of the candidates of the Faculty of Nursing to their degrees as Mr. Giriraj Soni, Dean, Faculty of Nursing could not attend the meeting of the Academic Council.

Accordingly, the Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Surgery moved to the Council as under -

(I) Faculty of Medicine and Surgery

"Mr. President

On behalf of

- i) Dr Naimish N. Mehta Co-Chairman and Chief Liver Transplant Surgeon, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi in the list, who has been decided by the University to be conferred with the honorary degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) (h c);
- ii) Dr Akshit Rajendra Shah and 06 others in the list who have been examined and found qualified for the DM/M.Ch. Examinations of September, 2022;
- iii) Dr Pooja Rathore who has been examined and found qualified for the Third MBBS Part-II (Main) Examination of April, 2021;
- iv) Dr. Abhi Gupta and 02 others in the list who have been examined and found qualified for the Third MBBS Part-II (Remand) Examination of July, 2021 and
- v) Ms Vandana Sharma and 01 other in the list who have been examined and found qualified for the Masters in Hospital Administration (Main) Examination of September, 2022;
- I move that the Academic Council do pass a Grace for their admission to the said Degrees.

(II) Faculty of Nursing

"Mr. President On behalf of

- Mr Anil Prajapat and 21 others in the list who have been examined and found qualified for the Second Year Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing (Main) Examination of July, 2022.
 - I move that the Academic Council do pass a Grace for their admission to the said Degree.

After the supplication by Dr Swati Garg, as above, the Chairman requested to the Council – "GRACE BE PASSED" and the Council, assenting the Chairman, said



"THE GRACE IS PASSED"

The Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Surgery then presented to the Chairman the lists of candidates of the Faculty of Medicine & Surgery and the Faculty of Nursing (Appendix-2) to be conferred with respective Degrees.

- 3. The Council considered and approved recommendations of the Board of Research made at its meeting held on October 13, 2022.
 - The Council resolved that research activities in the University need to be enhanced. Each department should prepare at least five research projects in a year and submit in time, so that the same could be examined and kept ready without waiting for the last date for submission to appropriate agency rather than doing this exercise at the last moment.
 - Similarly, each faculty member must submit at least two research papers in a year for publication in approved research journals. Financial assistance may be provided for publications as per the University Research Promotion Policy.
 - The Council further resolved that financial assistance should also be provided by the University to Ph.D. students other than those of in-service category. This aspect may be looked into by the Research Board.
- 4. The Council noted and approved orders of the President regarding reconstitution of various Committees/Cells of the MGUMST. List of the reconstituted Committees/Cells is appended at **Appendix-3**.
- 5. The Council noted the decision of the Board of Management dated September 22, 2022 making Basic Life Support (BLS) course mandatory for all the students of the MGUMST. The members appreciated the decision taken by the Board of Management regarding payment of the course fee by the University instead of realizing the same from the students.
- 6. The Council was apprised that initially B.Sc. & M.Sc. Clinical Psychology programs were assigned to Mahatma Gandhi Medical College & Hospital (MGMC&H). Later, these courses were shifted from MGMC&H to MG Institute of Allied Health Sciences (MGIAHS). The Council deliberated upon the issue and resolved that these courses be continued in MGMC&H as M.Phil. Clinical Psychology program, duly permitted by the Rehabilitation Council of India is already being conducted in the MGMC&H. Order of shifting of these courses from MGMC&H to MGIAHS be treated as null and void.
- 7. The Council considered and approved the minutes of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of the President on October 10, 2022 regarding amendments in the University Ordinance-48 related to use of unfairmeans in university examinations and norms of punishment. After amendments, Chapter 21 related to unfairmeans shall be as appended at **Appendix-4**.
- 8. Dr Rajaat Vohra, Coordinator/Director, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) apprised the Council through power point presentation about the progress made by the IQAC. The Coordinator/Director, IQAC submitted that:
 - i) He has had discussions with the Director, HR regarding existing Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff Recruitment. There is a need to improvise this SOP. The Council after taking into consideration various aspects related with the matter, made

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amendments in the existing SOP for Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff Recruitment. Duly amended SOP for Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff Recruitment is appended at **Appendix-5**.

ii) There is a need of a Policy for Prevention of Sexual Exploitation & Abuse (PSEA). Accordingly, he has discussed this issue with the related persons and prepared a draft Policy. He placed this draft Policy before the Council for consideration. The Council after having gone through the draft Policy made certain amendments and resolved to accept the amended Policy as appended at **Appendix-6**.

Items with the permission of Chair

9. Dr S.K. Meena, Convener, Admission Cell apprised the Council about the eligibility criteria of M.Sc. Transfusion Medicine Technology and M.Sc. Clinical Psychology programs and requested to consider the following proposed amendments which are based on the i) feedback received from parents & candidates seeking admission to these courses and ii) careful study of admission criteria prescribed by other Universities.

| S. No. | Name of the Program | Existing Eligibility criteria | Proposed Eligibility Criteria |
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| 1 | M. Sc. Transfusion Medicine Technology | B. Sc. Transfusion Medicine Technology | A. B. Sc. Transfusion Medicine Technology/Clinical Biochemistry/Medical Biochemistry/Clinical Microbiology/Medical Microbiology/ Medical Laboratory Technology B. Minimum 50% marks in the aggregate of above examinations from a recognized University |
| 2. | M. Sc Clinical Psychology | B. Sc. Clinical Psychology | A. B. Sc. Clinical Psychology/ BA Psychology/B. Sc. Psychology/BA (Hons) Psychology/B.Sc. (Hons) Psychology B. Minimum 50% marks in the aggregate of above examinations from a recognized University |

He informed that the proposed eligibility criteria are in consonance with the recommendations of the Equivalence Committee of the MGUMST.

The Council deliberated upon the issue and approved the proposed eligibility criteria submitted as above by the Convener, Admission Cell. This shall be made effective from academic year 2022-23.



- 10. It was informed to the Academic Council that in order to promote research activities, the Council vide Resolution no. 16 (ii) of its meeting held on June 03, 2022 had authorized concerned Principals of the University/Directors of the University Institute to sign MOUs pertaining to their college/institute after getting the MOU legally vetted from Mr. R.S. Panwar, OSD to Chairperson and approval from the President.
 - It was further informed to the Academic Council that looking to the nature of certain MOUs, the Chairman, Research Board has also signed these MOUs. The Council ratified the action taken by the Chairman, Research Board and resolved that while keeping the aforesaid resolution in force, in order to enhance research activities and collaborations, the Chairman, Board of Research, on behalf of the MGUMST/its College(s)/Institute may continue to sign MOUs depending upon the nature of the MOU for teaching, training and/or research activities.
- 11. The Council perused and approved the Prospectus of the University for the academic year 2022-23.
- 12. The PHOD, General Medicine, MGMC&H and the Dean, Faculty of Medicine placed before the Council the Curriculum Vitae of Dr K.K. Pareek, Director, S. N. Pareek Memorial Hospital and Research Centre, Kota and recommended that Dr Pareek be appointed as Honoray Adjunct Professor in the discipline of Medicine at MGUMST. They apprised the Council about the achievements of Dr K.K. Pareek and his contribution towards various Proceedings, Scientific Committees, Conferences and Orations. They further informed that many fellowships and awards have been conferred on Dr Pareek.
 - The Council agreed with the recommendations of the PHOD, General Medicine, MGMC&H and the Dean, Faculty of Medicine as above and resolved that Dr K.K. Pareek be appointed as an Honorary Adjunct Professor in the discipline of Medicine at Mahatma Gandhi University of Medical Sciences & Technology, Jaipur.
- 13. Dr Tanjul Saxena, Principal, MG College of Hospital Administration, attending the meeting as special invitee submitted to the Council that the present examination policy for appointment of External Examiner for Practical exam in MHA program states as under –

"Appointment of Paper Setter/Examiner and Evaluation

The President will appoint two Internal Examines and two External Examiners for Practical & Viva Voce. One of the External Examiners will be invited from other recognized University/Institution in the State of Rajasthan and the other one will be from recognized University/Institution outside the state of Rajasthan."

She requested that in extreme situation, when an External Examiner from out of state is not available or cancels at the last moment because of some exigency, the President may approve substituting another External Examiner from a recognized University/Institution in the state itself.



The Council after due deliberations resolved to accept the proposal of the Principal, MGCOHA as above.

14. The Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Surgery submitted that in the syllabus of M.Phil. (Clinical Psychology) there is a provision of submission of dissertation in second year before three months of the commencement of M.Phil. second year university examination. She proposed that instead of three months, the students may be permitted to submit dissertation in the office of the Principal, MGMC&H 15 days before the commencement of M.Phil. second year university examination as there is no requirement of prior approval of the dissertation by the examiners before the commencement of the University theory paper examinations.

Before final submission of three copies of the dissertation, the dissertation shall be undergone plagiarism check like dissertations of MD/MS examinations. For plagiarism check, the dissertation shall be submitted by the student to the Supervisor who (with co-supervisor) shall forward it to the Librarian through the Head of the Department and the Principal & Controller, MGMC&H with cover letter. The Principal & Controller, MGMC&H will issue plagiarism clearance certificate. After obtaining this plagiarism check clearance certificate, the student shall be allowed to submit final hard copy (three copies) of the dissertation to the Head of the Department of Clinical Psychology.

The dissertation shall be examined by the External and Internal examiners duly appointed by the University, at the time of practical and viva voce examination and marks of dissertation assessment shall be sent to the Controller of Examinations in separately sealed cover along with the marks of practical and viva voce examination.

The Council deliberated upon the issue and resolved to accept the proposal of the Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Surgery as above.

- 15. It was reported to the Academic Council that the Board of Management of the MGUMST in its meeting held on June 17, 2022 decided to establish an institute - Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Pharmacy and start following Diploma and Degree programs in Pharmacy already permitted by the State Govt. under Schedule-II of the MGUMST Act, 2011:
 - 1. Under Graduate Course Bachelor of Pharmacy (B.Pharm.)
 - 2. Diploma Course Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm.)

The Academic Council was further apprised that the Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) opened its window on July 03, 2022 for establishment of new Pharmacy Institution. Accordingly, MGUMST applied on Pharmacy Council of India's portal for opening - Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Pharmacy and start following Diploma and Degree programs in Pharmacy

1. Under Graduate Course - with 100 seats Bachelor of Pharmacy (B.Pharm.)

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2. Diploma Course - Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm.)

with 60 seats

After deposition of registration fees Rs. 10,000/- on July 06, 2022, when the PCI asked to deposit Rs. 10,62,000/- course wise pharmacy education regulatory charges, the matter of opening of new Pharmacy Institution was decided to be put on hold.

The Council noted and ratified the action taken by the University as above.

16. The Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Surgery submitted to the Council that in Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) programs being conducted in various Colleges/ Institute of the MGUMST, grade point system needs to be implemented w.e.f. academic year 2022-23. She informed that the CBCS Committee of the University has prepared grade point system (Appendix-7) which is based on the grade point system prescribed by the University Grants Commission (UGC). She proposed to adopt this grade point system in CBCS programs of the MGUMST w.e.f. the academic year 2022-23. The Dean, Faculty of Nursing pointed out that in Nursing courses, Indian Nursing Council has already prescribed grade point system (which is different from the grade point system of the UGC) which has already been implemented in B.Sc. Nursing program w.e.f. the academic year 2021-22. He placed copy of the grade point system prescribed by the INC on the table. The Academic Council after considering the entire matter resolved that the grade point system as prescribed by the INC be continued for respective nursing courses and for rest of the CBCS programs of the MGUMST, proposal of the Dean, Faculty of Medicine & Surgery as per the Appendix-7 be accepted and implemented w.e.f. the academic year 2022-23.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Chairman

Academic Council October 14, 2022

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Member Secretary Academic Council October 14, 2022