

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Studies (English)

The first meeting of the Board of Studies in English for the academic year 2023-24 was held on Friday, 19th May 2023 in the Department of English through the Google Meet between 11.00 a.m. to 02.00 p.m. The meeting was presided with the following concerns on the agenda.

Agenda:

1. To review current scenario of NEP-2020 implementation
2. To discuss the syllabi for FY in the pattern of NEP-2020
3. To discuss evaluation system for the syllabi designed
4. To prepare the panel of external paper setters and examiners
5. Any other subject with the prior permission of the Chairman

The following members were present for the meeting:

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| 1. Mr. Diwakar A. Patankar | Chairman | (BoS English) |
| 2. Dr. Atul Y. Pitre | Member | (VC Nominee) |
| 3. Dr. Satish R. Ghatage | Member | (Subject Expert Other than Parent University) |
| 4. Dr. Prassanna Deshpande | Member | (Subject Expert Other than Parent University) |
| 5. Dr. Mahendra Kamat | Member | (Invited Subject Expert) |
| 6. Dr. L. B. Patil | Member | (Invitee) |
| 7. Dr. Varsha S. Phatak | Member | Member (Ex-Faculty in College) |

Prof. Diwakar A. Patankar, Chairman of the BoS in English, heartily, welcomed all the members present for the meeting. This is the first meeting for the implementation of NEP-2020 curriculum in the department. Prof. Patankar, further on, introduced all the members with each other by expressing his sense of gratitude. He commenced the meeting through the Google Meet with a thorough overview on the agenda.

Agenda-

1. To review the current scenario of NEP-2020 curriculum

Prof. Diwakar Patankar, Chairman of the BoS, overviewed the current scenario of NEP-2020 curriculum for all the FY programs and put forth the agenda before the BoS members for discussion. The lengthy discussion took place in the meeting regarding the syllabi for the Major, Minor, Open Elective Course, Ability Enhancement Course, Vocational Skill Course and Skill Enhancement Course. After reviewing the scenario, the discussion took place on the expectation of NEP-2020 implementation in the curriculum.

After discussion Prof. Diwakar Patankar requested the members to pass the resolution regarding implementing the NEP-2020 pattern in the curriculum.

Resolution:

It is unanimously resolved that the syllabi would be framed in the pattern of NEP-2020 from the academic year 2023-24.

Proposed by: Prof. Diwakar Patankar

Seconded by: Prof. Dr. Atul Pitre

2. To discuss the syllabi for FY in the pattern of NEP-2020

At the onset, Prof. Diwakar Patankar, Chairman of the BoS, discussed the need of designing syllabi in light of current education system and New Education Policy-2020. He added that the students who will complete their three-year degree program from the academic 2023-24 through our esteemed institute need to have to go through the curriculum of NEP-2020; as our institute is an 'Autonomous' since the academic year 2019-20.

The lengthy discussion took place in the meeting regarding the syllabi for the Major, Minor, Open Elective Course, Ability Enhancement Course, Vocational Skill Course and Skill Enhancement Course as all the syllabi were sent to all the BoS members approx. 15 days prior to the actual meeting. All the members have agreed upon that the Department of English should move from the literary perspectives in the curriculum to the functional and communicative approach in the English as it is a need of an hour.

The department has taken into consideration this aspect while designing the syllabi. All the members

expressed their satisfaction in regard to this.

While designing the syllabi for these courses, the department had taken care of availability of local yet worthy resources, current market scenario, and present situation of education, learners' current abilities and liabilities, interests as well as needs and financial capacity of the institute.

After reviewing the syllabi, Prof. Dr. Satish R. Ghatge sir suggested restructuring of the syllabi in detail and according to him and the consent related to it; taken from other members, the syllabi were restructured at the time of meeting only and presented before the members.

Before finalizing, Prof. Dr. Prasanna Deshpande added that the syllabi should be completed in 'hours' and not in 'lectures' and therefore, taking consent from other members, it was decided that the syllabi were completed in terms of 'hours' than 'lectures.' Hence, one lecture was considered as one hour.

Continuing the discussion, Prof. Dr. Mahendra Kamat suggested all the members that the department should commence a certificate course in soft skills for all learners. In addition to, he spoke about the necessity of skill courses in light of the needs in corporate sectors and IT industries located at metropolitan cities like Mumbai, Pune, Bengaluru etc.

After discussions, Prof. Diwakar Patankar requested the members to pass resolutions regarding implementing the syllabi designed under NEP-2020 for the academic year 2023-24.

Resolution I:

It is unanimously resolved that the syllabi designed under the NEP-2020 for the AY 2023-24 were approved.

Proposed by: Prof. Diwakar Patankar.

Seconded by: Prof. Dr. Satish R. Ghatage

Resolution II:

It is unanimously resolved that the certificate course in soft skills for all learners should be commenced from the AY 2024-25.

Proposed by: Prof. Dr. Mahendra Kamat

Seconded by: Prof. Dr. Prasanna Deshpande

3. To discuss evaluation system for the syllabi designed

Continuing with the previous one, Prof. Diwakar Patankar, Chairman of the BoS, initiated the discussion regarding the evaluation system for all the courses designed under NEP-2020 for the AY 2023-24. Prof. Dr. Laxman Patil suggested that the evaluated system would consist of theory, practical and assignments or case studies and major focus should be given on practical and case studies. Prof. Patankar said that the Board of Examination of the college is going to finalize the

evaluation pattern common for all the courses taught in the college under the FY. Hence, he requested all the members to pass the resolution regarding the same.

Resolution:

It is unanimously resolved that the evaluation pattern; finalized by the Board of Examination of the college, for the FY courses designed under the Department of English be accepted and approved.

Proposed by: Prof. Diwakar Patankar

Seconded by: Prof. Dr. Atul Pitre

4. To prepare the panel of external paper setters and examiners

Prof. Diwakar Patankar initiated the discussion regarding the need of external paper setters and examiners. He suggested that the two paper setters for each paper from other colleges in the vicinity around for both the sake of building the quality ratio and the convenience. It was accelerated that the responsibility of the question paper and evaluation be shouldered by the subject faculty for allotted curriculum. It was, hereafter, conveyed that the examiners be from the colleges in the vicinity around for the sake of convenience and availability.

Resolution:

It is unanimously resolved that the list of external paper setters and examiners was finalized.

Proposed by: Dr. Laxman Balasaheb Patil

Seconded by: Prof. Dr. Varsha Phatak

5. Any other subject with the permission of the Chairman

No other Subject was discussed in the meeting.

Mr. Diwakar A. Patankar expressed vote of thanks on behalf of the department as well as the college regarding the incredible contribution of all the BoS members with valuable suggestions in designing the new curriculum.

The meeting summed up at 02.00 p.m.

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1. All the copies of syllabi designed under the NEP-2020 for the AY 2023-24