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1. The **First Academic Council Meeting** of the Mahatma Gandhi Central University was held on **29th August 2016** at **2:00 PM** at Camp Office, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Raghunathpur, Near Police Chauki, Motihari. The following members were present:

SL.	NAME OF THE MEMBERS	
1.	Prof. (Dr) Arvind Agrawal Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari	Chairman
2.	Prof. Rekha Agrawal Professor & Dean, School of Education, CUSB, Gaya	Member
3.	Prof. Inder Veer Malhan Prof. and Dean, Central University of HP, Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh	Member
4.	Prof. Ravindranath Singh Rathore Dean, School of Earth, Biological & Environmental Sciences, CUSB	Member
5.	Prof. Ram Chandra Singh Sitamarhi	Member
6.	Prof. Lal Mohan Singh Muzaffarpur	Member
7.	Prof. Bhagwan Lal Sahni Muzaffarpur	Member
8.	Prof. Maheshwar Prasad Singh Motihari	Member

9.	Prof. Anil Kumar Sinha Reader, Department of Botany, K.C.T.C. College, Raxaul	Member
10.	Prof. Ramesh Singh Motihari	Member
11.	Prof. Arun Mishra Motihari	Member
12.	Dr. Arti Sinha Professor Home Science, Pusa, Samastipur	Member
13.	Prof. Rabindra Kumar Department of Geology, Patna Science College, Patna	Member
14.	Prof. Surendra Rai Department of Mathematics, M.J.K. College, Bettiah	Member
15.	Dr Sujit Kumar OSD (Administration), Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari	Ex-Officio Secretary

2. The following members could not attend the meeting due to their prior commitments and unavoidable reasons and were granted leave of absence.

SL.	NAME OF THE MEMBERS	
1.	Prof. A.K. Jain Former Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, BHU, Varanasi	Member
2.	Prof. J.P. Lal Retd. Professor of Agriculture, Banaras Hindu University	Member
3.	Prof. Sanjay Singh Head, Department of Pharmaceutical Engineering, IIT, BHU	Member
4.	Prof. Abhimanyu Kumar Singh Siwan	Member
5.	Prof. Rajeev Ranjan Department of History, Commerce College, Patna, Magadh University	Member
6.	Prof. Balram Rai Department of Physics, R.D.S. College, Muzaffarpur, B.R.A. University, Muzaffarpur	Member
7.	Sh. Surendra Choudhary Professor (Political Science), Kamla Ray College, Gopalganj	Member

3. The Vice-Chancellor welcomed and introduced the Members of First Academic Council constituted by the Central Government. Thereafter, he introduced all the officials of the University with the members of the Academic Council.
4. The Vice-Chancellor apprised the members:
 - i. About the initiatives taken and progress made in the development of the University after the joining of the Vice Chancellor on 3rd February 2016.
 - ii. That the Mahatma Gandhi Central University (MGCU) will have its Camp Office at the rented building at Raghunathpur. He also reported about the setting-up of Temporary Campus (TempCamp) at Zila School, Motihari for starting academic activities for which an old DIET Hostel building at Zila School, Motihari has been allotted to the University by the Government of Bihar.
5. He also briefed about the release of funds by the UGC, appointment of staff on deputation/contractual basis and latest position on the admission process and recruitment of teaching positions.
6. Thereafter, the Vice-Chancellor invited Dr Sujit Kumar, OSD (Administration)-cum-Secretary to take up the agenda items and the following Agenda was taken up for discussion.

THEREAFTER, THE AGENDA WAS TAKEN UP AS UNDER

ITEMS FOR REPORTING AND RATIFICATION

Item No: (2016) AC: 01:01 To report to the Academic Council, the matter regarding establishment of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari (District – East Champaran), Bihar.

The Mahatma Gandhi Central University is established by an Act of Parliament [under Central Universities (Amendment) Act 2014 (No. 35 of 2014)] of Indian Parliament, which received the assent of the President on the 17th December 2014.

The territorial jurisdiction of the University is North of River Ganges in the State of Bihar (Motihari in East Champaran). Since the place was the “KARAMBHOO MI” of the father of the nation, where he successfully experimented with the idea of “SATYAGRAH” during the “NEEL ANDOLAN” at Champaran in 1917, therefore, the University is named as “MAHATMA GANDHI CENTRAL UNIVERSITY”.

A copy of the Central Universities (Amendment) Act 2014, as notified in the Official Gazette is annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE - 1.1**).

The Academic Council noted the Item.

Item No: AC (2016):01:02 To report to the Academic Council, the appointment of Prof. (Dr) Arvind Kumar Agrawal as First & Founder Vice-Chancellor of the University.

His Excellency, the President of India in his capacity as the Visitor of the Mahatma Gandhi Central University, appointed Prof. (Dr) Arvind Kumar Agrawal as First & Founder Vice-Chancellor of the Mahatma Gandhi Central University for a term of five years as conveyed by MHRD vide their letter No.F.51-1/2015-Desk U dated 20th January 2016.

Consequent upon relieving from Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala, Prof. (Dr) Arvind Kumar Agrawal assumed the charge of the office of the First & Founder Vice-Chancellor of the Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar with effect from 3rd February 2016 (Afternoon) and the University became functional w.e.f. 3rd February 2016 (Afternoon) with its headquarters at Motihari (District – East Champaran).

A copy of letter No. 51-1/2015-Desk U dated 10th February 2016 of Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, MHRD, New Delhi addressed to Secretary, UGC regarding Joining of Prof. (Dr) Arvind Kumar Agrawal as First Vice-Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar is annexed herewith **(ANNEXURE – 1.2)**.

The Academic Council noted the Item and congratulated the Vice-Chancellor and expressed its full confidence for commitment of the Vice-Chancellor for establishing a good University.

Item No: AC (2016):01:03 To report to the Academic Council, the constitution of First Academic Council of the University by the Government of India.

In consonance with the provision contained under Section 44(d) of Central Universities Act 2009, the First Academic Council of the University has been constituted by the Government of India as conveyed by MHRD vide their letter No. F.51-03/2016-Desk U dated 4th August 2016 for a period of three years with immediate effect. A copy of the same is annexed herewith **(ANNEXURE - 1.3)**.

The Academic Council noted the Item.

Item No: AC (2016):01:04 To report to the Academic Council, the constitution of First Executive Council of the University by the Government of India.

In consonance with the provision contained under Section 44(C) of Central Universities Act 2009, the First Executive Council of the University has been constituted by the Government of India as conveyed by MHRD vide its letter No.F.51-02/2016-Desk U dated 4th August 2016 for a period of three years with immediate effect. A copy of the same is annexed herewith **(ANNEXURE - 1.4)**.

The Academic Council noted the Item.

Item No: AC(2016):01:05 To report to the Academic Council, the matter regarding Launch of University Website (www.mgcub.ac.in).

The University became functional w.e.f. 3rd February 2016 with the assumption of charge by Prof. (Dr.) Arvind Kumar Agrawal as First & Founder Vice-Chancellor of the University. Since the University is in nascent stage and the University has to recruit various non-teaching and teaching positions on deputation/regular/short-term contract basis, it was felt necessary that the University should have its own website to make it possible to provide instantly viewable information and even downloadable content about the University. Accordingly, the University has awarded the contract to INFLIBNET Centre, Gandhinagar for preparing its website. The domain name has been registered at *ac.in* domain with the Ernet. A copy of the proposal to the effect submitted by INFLIBNET is annexed herewith **(ANNEXURE – 1.5)**.

Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre, Gandhinagar is an Autonomous Inter-University Centre (IUC) of University Grants Commission (UGC) of India.

The Website of the University (**www.mgcub.ac.in**) was launched by the then Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani on 21st March, 2016 in her chamber at MHRD, New Delhi.

The Academic Council noted the Item and unanimously expressed their satisfaction and approval of the action.

Item No: AC(2016):01:06 To report to the Academic Council, the progress in transfer of land by the State Government of Bihar to Mahatma Gandhi Central University for its establishment.

The process of transfer of permanent land of 301.75 Acres near Bankat-Bairiya Village (near Government Motihari Engineering College) duly approved by the Site Selection Committee constituted by the Central Government, by the State Government of Bihar is in hand.

The latest position on transfer of said land to University as informed by the District Land Acquisition Officer, Motihari, District – East Champaran vide its letter No.370/GB dated 24th August 2016 is annexed herewith **(ANNEXURE – 1.6)** for kind information of the Academic Council.

The Academic Council noted the Item and expressed its satisfaction over the progress on the land.

Item No: AC(2016):01:07 To report to the Academic Council, the matter regarding General Cultural and Scientific Co-operation Agreement ('MoU') signed between Sapienza University of Rome (Italy) and Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari (Bihar).

The University is going to start programmes of studies in various disciplines and in order to provide best opportunities to its students, it is in negotiations with premier higher educational and research institutions and government and state level bodies/authorities/ boards to enter into MoUs.

Accordingly, the University in consultation with Sapienza University of Rome (Italy) has signed General Cultural and Scientific Co-operation Agreement ('MoU'). A copy of signed agreement is annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE - 1.7**).

A brief about the Sapienza University of Rome (Italy) is as under:

The Sapienza University of Rome, officially Sapienza – Università di Roma, also called simply Sapienza or the "University of Rome", is a collegiate research University located in Rome, Italy. Formerly known as Università de gli studi di Roma "La Sapienza", it is the largest European University by enrolments (the third if considering also the distance learning schools) and one of the oldest in history, founded in 1303.

La Sapienza educated numerous notable alumni, including many Nobel laureates, presidents of the European Parliament, heads of several nations, notable religious figures, scientists and astronauts.

Academics: Since the 2011 reform, Sapienza University of Rome has eleven faculties and 65 departments. Today Sapienza, with 1, 40,000 students and 8,000 among academic and technical and administrative staff, is the largest University in Italy. The university has significant research programmes in the fields of engineering, natural sciences, biomedical sciences and humanities. It offers 10 Masters Programmes taught entirely in English.

Ranking: As claimed by the Academic Ranking of World Universities (Arwu), Sapienza is regularly ranked first among Southern European universities. Sapienza is positioned within the 101-150 group of universities and among the top 3% of universities in the world.

In 2015, the Centre for World University Rankings ranked the Sapienza University of Rome as the 112th in the world and the top in Italy in its *World University Rankings*.

The Academic Council noted the Item and appreciated the efforts of the Vice-Chancellor being taken for the growth of students and staffs of the University.

Item No: AC(2016):01:08 To report to the Academic Council about the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor under sub-section (3) of Section 11 of the Central Universities Act 2009 with regard to approval of University Prospectus 2016-17 for admission to various Under-Graduate and Post-Graduate Programmes.

The University became functional w.e.f. 3rd February 2016 with the assumption of charge by Prof. (Dr.) Arvind Kumar Agrawal as its First Vice-Chancellor. Consequent upon the request of the University, the University Grants Commission vide their letter No.F.83-1/2015 (CU) dated 17th February 2016 has granted approval for opening of 20 teaching departments with teaching strength in the ratio of 1:2:4 (One Professor, Two Associate Professors and Four Assistant Professors for each department) with 140 teaching positions (20 Professors, 40 Associate Professors and 80 Assistant Professors).

As per Statute 14(d), the power to frame such regulations and rules consistent with the Statutes and the Ordinances regarding the academic functioning of the University, discipline, residence, admission, award of fellowship and studentships, fees, concessions, corporate life and attendance is vested with the Academic Council of the University. As such, the Prospectus of the University for the Academic Year 2016-17 for admission to Certificate, Under-Graduate and Post-Graduate Programmes was required to be considered and approved by the Academic Council.

Since the process of making admissions could not be started until the prospectus is approved by the competent authorities i.e. Academic Council and the meeting of University Authorities i.e., Academic Council / Executive Council could not be convened for want of their constitution by the Central Government, therefore taking a holistic view that the admission process is an important and time bound activity, the Prospectus 2016-17 of the University was approved by the Vice-Chancellor, in exercise of the powers vested in him vide sub-section (3) of Section 11 of the Central Universities Act 2009, in anticipation of the approval of the Academic Council and the admission process is in hand. A copy of the Prospectus issued by the University contains all details viz. Name of Department, Number of Seats in each Department, Fees, admission etc., is annexed herewith **(ANNEXURE - 1.8)**.

The Academic Council noted the Item and congratulated & appreciated the Vice-Chancellor for bringing out the First Prospectus of the University in such a short span of time.

Item No: AC(2016): 01:09 To report to the Academic Council about the creation of various teaching positions and latest position of ongoing teachers' recruitment process of the University.

Consequent upon the request of the University, the University Grants Commission vide their letter No.F.83-1/2015 (CU) dated 17th February, 2016 has granted approval for opening of 20 teaching departments with teaching strength in the ratio of 1:2:4 (One Professor, Two Associate Professors and Four Assistant Professors for each department) with 140 teaching positions (20 Professors, 40 Associate Professors and 80 Assistant Professors).

Since, the University was proposing to start its First Academic Session from September, 2016 itself and the First Academic Council / First Executive Council were not constituted by the Central Government, therefore, the Vice-Chancellor by exercising the powers vested in him under sub-section (3) of Section 11 of the Central Universities Act 2009, in anticipation of the approval of the Academic Council, has approved to open total 15 teaching departments out of 20 sanctioned teaching departments and accordingly, alongwith 105 teaching positions (One Professor, Two Associate Professors and Four Assistant Professors for each Department) as per details given below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Department	No. of Teaching positions created		
		Professor	Associate Professor	Assistant Professor
1)	Biotech	1	2	4
2)	Botany	1	2	4
3)	Zoology	1	2	4
4)	Commerce	1	2	4
5)	Management Sciences	1	2	4
6)	Computer Science & IT	1	2	4
7)	Mathematics	1	2	4
8)	Economics & Planning	1	2	4
9)	Interventional Development and Social Work	1	2	4
10)	Political Science & IR	1	2	4
11)	Sociology & Social Anthropology	1	2	4
12)	Chemistry	1	2	4
13)	Physics	1	2	4
14)	English	1	2	4
15)	Hindi	1	2	4
TOTAL		15	30	60

Latest position of ongoing teachers' recruitment process of the University:

1. The University vide Employment Notice No. 003/2016 dated 5th July 2016 advertised 105 teaching positions (15 Professor, 30 Associate Professor and 60 Assistant Professor).
2. Subsequently, the University vide its addendum to the advertisement dated 5th July 2016 on 19th July 2016 informed all the concerned candidates that a Written Screening Test containing 100 Multiple Choice Questions carrying 100 marks lasting for duration of 90 minutes would be held for the position of Assistant Professor in fifteen programmes on 13/08/2016 at Nalanda University, Patna.
3. The test was compulsory but of qualifying nature. After conducting the screening test for all the 15 (Fifteen) programmes on 13th August 2016 in three slots at the earmarked Examination Centre at Patna, the result was declared and uploaded on the University Website on 17th August 2016.
4. Top 5 (Five) candidates per post were shortlisted for Interview in order of merit in the screening test.
5. The University incorporated in its recruitment process the University Grants Commission 4th Amendment regarding 'Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education' notified vide UGC notification dated 11th July 2016.
6. A Screening Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Central University scrutinized the applications for the posts Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor of the candidates to see whether they were eligible or not on the basis of 4th Amendment of UGC.
7. The Committee also scrutinized applications in accordance with the latest UGC regulations and prepared a list of 'Eligible' and 'Not Eligible' candidates.
8. Further course of action is in progress.
9. The details of no. of candidates applied, no. of candidates found eligible/not eligible for the post of Professor in various disciplines are also given below for kind perusal of the Academic Council:

Sl.	Name of the Department	Details of Professors		
		Total Number of Applications Received	Total Number of Candidates found Eligible	Total Number of Candidates found Not Eligible
1)	Biotech	4	3	1
2)	Botany	1	1	0

3)	Zoology	2	2	0
4)	Commerce	1	0	1
5)	Management Sciences	5	3	2
6)	Computer Science & IT	2	0	2
7)	Mathematics	1	1	0
8)	Economics & Planning	2	2	0
9)	Interventional Development and Social Work	1	1	0
10)	Political Science & IR	3	0	3
11)	Sociology & Social Anthropology	5	3	2
12)	Chemistry	3	1	2
13)	Physics	3	2	1
14)	English	0	0	0
15)	Hindi	2	1	1
TOTAL		35	20	15

The Academic Council noted and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor. The Academic Council further desired that since (i) the University is in its nascent stage; (ii) problem being faced by other new Central Universities and (iii) requirement of experienced faculty at this stage, therefore, the University must hold Interview for the post of Professor and Associate Professor, even if there is one candidate eligible to be called for Interview.

Item No: AC(2016): 01:10 To report to the Academic Council about the 15 teaching Departments opened by the University in the first phase.

Consequent upon the request of the University, the University Grants Commission vide their letter No.F.83-1/2015 (CU) dated 17th February 2016 has granted approval for opening of 20 teaching departments with teaching strength in the ratio of 1:2:4 (One Professor, Two Associate Professors and Four Assistant Professors for each department) with 140 teaching positions (20 Professors, 40 Associate Professors and 80 Assistant Professors).

Since, the University was proposing to start its First Academic Session from September 2016 itself and the First Academic Council/First Executive Council were not constituted by the Central Government, therefore, the Vice-Chancellor by exercising the powers vested in him under sub-section (3) of Section 11 of the Central Universities Act 2009, in anticipation of the approval of the Academic Council, has approved to open the following 15 teaching departments out of 20 sanctioned teaching departments:

Sl.	Name of the Department
1)	Biotech

2)	Botany
3)	Zoology
4)	Commerce
5)	Management Sciences
6)	Computer Science & Information Technology
7)	Mathematics
8)	Economics & Planning
9)	Interventional Development and Social Work
10)	Political Science & International Relations
11)	Sociology & Social Anthropology
12)	Chemistry
13)	Physics
14)	English
15)	Hindi

The Academic Council noted the Item and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

Item No: AC(2016):01:11 To report to the Academic Council, the visit of Prof. (Dr) Arvind Kumar Agrawal, Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Bihar (MGCUB) to Italy to attend International Conference from 22nd to 25th of August 2016.

Prof. (Dr) Arvind Kumar Agrawal, Vice-Chancellor, MGCUB was invited by the University of Macerata, Italy as Main Speaker in an International Conference on “Constitutions in a New Global Scenario” held from 22nd to 25th of August 2016 at Fermo (an ancient city in the same region of the University of Macerata, Italy).

Prof. (Dr) Arvind Kumar Agrawal, Vice-Chancellor in the said conference presented a paper on “Constitution and Constitutionalism in Emergent India”. All expenses towards journey, hospitality, loading and boarding etc., were borne by the University of Macerata, Italy.

The Academic Council noted the Item and congratulated the Vice-Chancellor for his visit to Italy.

Item No: AC(2016):01:12 To report to the Academic Council about the transfer of Old DIET Building of Zila School, Motihari to Mahatma Gandhi Central University on temporary / rent basis by the State Government of Bihar.

Consequent upon taking up of the matter by the University with Government Bihar, state Government directed the District Magistrate vide Letter No. 15/m 1-67/2008/876 dated 18th May 2016 to hand over the Old DIET Building to the Mahatma Gandhi Central University (**ANNEXURE - 1.12**).

The Principal, Zila School, Motihari (Bihar) handed over the ‘Old DIET’ Building to the University vide their letter No. 187 dated 29th June 2016.

The old building was dilapidated condition and urgently needed repair & renovation to make it worthy of starting academic activities. The repair & renovation of the said building is being go done by the Central Public Works Department.

The Academic Council noted the Item. After their visit to site, all the members of the Academic Council unanimously applauded the quality of work and the pace with which it is being carried out, keeping in view the challenge to start the First Academic Session of the University from October 2016 itself.

Item No: AC(2016):01:13 To report to the Academic Council about the International Seminar being organised by Mahatma Gandhi Central University on 'Past, Present and Future of Indology: Challenges & Prospects' on 8-9 September, 2016.

In order to provide platform for the convergence of intellectuals and to embark on churning on the certain themes, the University proposes to organize an International Seminar on 'Past, Present and Future of Indology: Challenges & Prospects' on 8-9 September 2016. For the Seminar the University has sought financial assistance from Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi.

The Academic Council noted the Item.

Item No: AC(2016): 01:14 To report to the Academic Council, about the affiliation of the University with Association of Indian Universities (AIU).

The University became member of Association of Indian University (AIU) as conveyed by the AIU vide their letter No. Meet/GC/339/2016/114-240 dated 19th July 2016 (**ANNEXURE - 1.14**). The AIU promotes and represents the higher education system and Indian Universities through strong liaison with the government and National/International organizations of education. It also establishes liaison between/among universities and all its stakeholders for quality education, research and other academics and extension activities.

The Academic Council noted the Item.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND DECISION

Item No: AC(2016):01:15 To place before the Academic Council, the Regulations for the Conduct of the Business of the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

The Section 29 of the Central Universities Act 2009 and Statute 38 of the First Statutes as set out in the Second Schedule to the Act *ibid*, provide that the authorities of the University may make Regulations consistent with the Act, Statutes and the Ordinances, for the conduct of their own business, procedure to be observed at their meetings and the number of members required to form quorum; providing for the giving of notice to the members of such authority

of the dates of meetings and of the business to be considered at meetings and for the keeping of a record of the proceedings of meetings.

Accordingly, a draft Regulation No. 1 regarding 'Conduct of Business of the Academic Council' has been prepared and annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE - 1.15**) for kind consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

The Academic Council considered and approved the Regulations for the conduct of the Business of the Academic Council.

Item No: AC(2016):01:16 To place before the Academic Council, the draft of the following Statutes for consideration and approval.

A. Statute 40: Establishment of Schools, Departments and Centres of Studies

In accordance with the provision under Section 26(k) read with Section 27(2) and Statutes 15(1) and 15(5)(a) of the Central Universities Act 2009, the draft Statute 40 dealing with Establishment of Schools, Departments and Centres of Studies, have been prepared and annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE - 1.16A**) for kind consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

B. Statute 41: Appointment of Heads of the Departments

In accordance with the provision under Section 26(c) read with Section 27(2) of the Central Universities Act 2009, the draft Statute 41 dealing with Appointment of Heads of the Departments, have been prepared and annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE - 1.16B**) for kind consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

C. Statute 42: Appointment of Directors of the Centres

In accordance with the provision under Section 26(c) read with Section 27(2) of the Central Universities Act 2009, the draft Statute 42 dealing with Appointment of Directors of the Centres, have been prepared and annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE - 1.16C**) for kind consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

D. Statute 43: Appointment of Dean of Students' Welfare as an Officer of the University

In accordance with the provision under Section 26(c) read with Section 27(2) of the Central Universities Act 2009, the draft Statute 43 dealing with Appointment of Dean of Students' Welfare as an Officer of the University, have been prepared and annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE - 1.16D**) for kind consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

E. Statute 44: Constitution of Planning & Monitoring Board

In accordance with the provision under Section 26(q) read with Section 27(2) of the Central Universities Act 2009, the draft Statute 44 dealing with Constitution of Planning & Monitoring Board, have been prepared and annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE – 1.16E**) for kind consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

The Academic Council considered and recommended the draft Statutes to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No: AC(2016): 01:17 To place before the Academic Council, the Draft Ordinances of the University for consideration and approval.

In accordance with the provisions contained in various Sections and First Statutes of the Central Universities Act 2009, the University is required to frame a series of Ordinances for its smooth functioning.

Accordingly, the University has framed a Committee comprising of the following to frame the first Ordinance of the University which can be further placed before the Universities Authorities for kind consideration and approval:

- i. Shri T.R. Kem, Former Secretary, UGC Chairman
- ii. Shri R.D. Sahay, Former Joint Secretary, MHRD Member and
- iii. Dr. Sujit Kumar, OSD (Administration), MGCUB Member Secretary

The said Committee met on various dates at Delhi and a comprehensive list of the Draft Ordinances prepared by the said committee as per the requirements and provisions of the Central Universities Act 2009 has been worked out and efforts are on to draft all Ordinances at the earliest. Since utmost care is being taken to ensure that the Ordinances are framed in consonance with the best practices found anywhere in the world, the process is taking a longer time.

The Draft Ordinances No. 1 to 21 prepared by the University till date is annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE – 1.17**) for kind consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

The Academic Council considered and recommended the draft Ordinances No. 1 to 21 to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No: AC(2016):01:18 To report to the Academic Council, the competition organised by the University for finalisation of the University Logo.

In order to develop and design the Logo of the Mahatma Gandhi Central University, the University launched a nationwide competition for anyone aged over 18 years of age interested in Art and Design.

A reward of **Rs.40,000/-** (Rupees Forty Thousand only) in cash and a Certificate has been allotted for the winning entries.

Invitation for participation along with a detailed terms and conditions for participation in the Competition was sent via E-mail to various Institutions and Individuals.

The detailed terms and conditions of Logo Design Competition of Mahatma Gandhi Central University is annexed herewith (**ANNEXURE - 1.18**).

The Committee for selecting and finalizing the Logo of the University is yet to be constituted for owing to multiplicity of activities going on to kick start the first academic session of the University.

The recommendations of the said Committee will be placed before the University Authorities in due course of time.

The Academic Council appreciated the Vice-Chancellor for this competition and authorised him to take further necessary decision(s) in this regard.

Item No: AC(2016):01:19 To place before the Academic Council, the proposal regarding constitution of Curriculum Development Committees and Ad-hoc Board of Studies.

Subject to the overall control and supervision of the Academic Council, normally the functions of the Board of Studies shall be:

- i. To approve subject for research for various degree and the other requirements of research degree.
- ii. To recommend to the concerned School Board:
 - a. Courses of studies and appointment of examiners but excluding research degree.
 - b. Appointment of supervisors for research.
 - c. Measures for the improvement of the standard of teaching and research.
- iii. To ensure that the curricula and syllabi of various courses offered by the teachers in the Departments are periodically reviewed and continuously revised and updated.

The First Academic Session of the University is likely to commence within a couples of weeks and keeping in view the fact that the University is in its nascent stage and the process of Teachers' Recruitment is underway. Therefore, the constitution of regular Board of Studies and School Boards thereof may take some time, therefore, it is proposed to constitute Ad-hoc

Boards of Studies for those programmes of studies that are planned to be commenced from the forthcoming Academic Session.

The Academic Council considered the proposal and authorised the Vice-Chancellor to constitute the required Curriculum Development Committee and ad-hoc Board of Studies and also to take all other necessary action in the matter.

Item No: AC(2016):01:20 To place before the Academic Council, the Curriculum for the Programmes of Study launched as approved by UGC for the time being with the provision for subsequent revision after duly constituted Board of Studies and School Board is in place.

The University Grants Commission has approved Curriculum for several Under Graduate Programmes on 10th April 2015. Among such programmes, the University has proposed to introduce following programmes.

- i) Bachelor of Commerce – B. Com. (Honours)
- ii) Bachelor of Arts (Economics Honours)
- iii) Bachelor of Arts (Political Science Honours)
- iv) Bachelor of Arts (English Honours)
- v) Bachelor of Arts (Hindi Honours)
- vi) Bachelor of Science (Biotech Honours)
- vii) Bachelor of Science (Zoology Honours)
- viii) Bachelor of Science (Botany Honours)
- ix) Bachelor of Science (Physics Honours)
- x) Bachelor of Science (Chemistry Honours)
- xi) Bachelor of Science (Maths Honours)

Since, Sociology is not among the programmes for which the UGC has approved Curriculum, therefore, the Curriculum adopted by the Delhi University in June 2015 has been taken for consideration.

Master of Social Work, UGC Curriculum which became effective from 2015-16 has been taken for consideration.

Further, Curriculum for Master of Business Administration adopted by Delhi University form 2014-15, has been taken for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the proposal and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No: AC(2016):01:21 To place before the Academic Council, the proposal for finalising the Panel of Experts for the Selection of faculty in various programmes of studies of the University.

Consequent upon the approval of the University Grants Commission, for opening of 20 teaching departments the University vide Employment Notice No. 003/2016 dated 5th July 2016 had advertised the various teaching positions in the following departments:

Sl. No.	Name of the Department
1)	Biotech
2)	Botany
3)	Zoology
4)	Commerce
5)	Management Sciences
6)	Computer Science & Information Technology
7)	Mathematics
8)	Economics & Planning
9)	Interventional Development and Social Work
10)	Political Science & International Relations
11)	Sociology & Social Anthropology
12)	Chemistry
13)	Physics
14)	English
15)	Hindi

The University has received a large number of applications and the process of screening all the applications received for the positions of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor in accordance with the UGC Regulations have already been completed.

The University is proposing to hold Selection Committees for the various teaching positions shortly. The Clause 5.1.1, 5.1.2 and 5.1.3 of “*UGC Regulation on Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education 2010*”, inter alia, provides that the Selection Committee for the posts of Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors shall have ***“Three experts in the concerned subject nominated by the Vice-Chancellor out of the panel of names approved by the relevant statutory body of the University concerned”***.

The Academic Council considered the proposal and authorised the Vice-Chancellor to nominate any working / retired Professor of Central / State Universities or Institutions of National Importance to act as

experts in the Selection Committee for the post of Professor, Librarian, Associate Professor, Deputy Librarian, Assistant Professor and Assistant Librarian.

Item No: AC(2016):01:22 **To place before the Academic Council, the proposal for transferring one post of Associate Professor to Deputy Librarian and one post of Assistant Professor to Assistant Librarian to facilitate the establishment & functioning of Library, till the UGC sanctions regular post of Deputy Librarian and Assistant Librarian.**

Library is an integral part of University Education System. However, the University Grants Commission has granted approval to open 20 departments in the University with teaching position of Professor, Associate and Assistant Professor in the ratio of 1:2:4. There is no position of Librarian.

The proposal to transfer one post of Associate Professor to Deputy Librarian and one post of Assistant Professor to Assistant Librarian to facilitate the establishment & functioning of Library has been sent to the University Grants Commission.

The Academic Council considered and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

At the end, the members of the Academic Council expressed their satisfaction on the progress made in the establishment of the University so far. In particular, the Academic Council put on record its appreciations and commendations for the Vice Chancellor and his small team for an excellent Strategic Plan and meticulous execution for the University in such a short span of time.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

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