

**HIDAYATULLAH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, NAYA RAIPUR (C.G.)**  
**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 05.11.2020**  
**AT 6.00 P.M.**

A meeting of the Academic Council of the Hidayatullah National Law University took place on 05.11.2020 at 06.00 P.M. through Web-ex (online platform). The following members were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. (Dr.) V.C. Vivekanandan, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, HNLU – Chairman
2. Prof. (Dr.) Balraj Chauhan, Vice Chancellor, Dharmashastra National Law University, Jabalpur (M.P.) - Member
3. Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Kumar Sinha, Director, Indian Law Institute, New Delhi - Member
4. Shri N.K. Chandravanshi, Principal Secretary, Government of Chhattisgarh, Law and Legal Affairs Department – Member
5. Shri Shailendra Dubey, Advocate, High Court of Chhattisgarh & Member, Bar Council of India – Member
6. Dr. Nirmal Shukla, Senior Advocate, High Court of Chhattisgarh, Bilaspur (C.G.) – Member
7. Shri Rajeev Shrivastava, Advocate, High Court of Chhattisgarh, Bilaspur (C.G.) - Member
8. Shri Kishore Bhaduri, Advocate, High Court of Chhattisgarh – Member
9. Dr. Dipak Das, Associate Professor, HNLU – Member
10. Dr. Ayan Hazra, Assistant Professor, HNLU – Member
11. Dr. Yamala Papa Rao, Assistant Professor, HNLU – Member
12. Dr. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Assistant Professor, HNLU – Member

The Chairman and Vice Chancellor, HNLU, Raipur extended a warm welcome to the members of the Academic Council and thanked them for paring their precious time for contributing towards the academic growth of the University.

The Vice Chancellor apprised the members:


1. Status of Admission at HNLU through CLAT-2020 in B.A. LL.B. (Honours) and LL.M. Program.
2. The Academic initiative taken by the Vice-Chancellor during COVID-19 pandemic. The Vice Chancellor apprised that he has started different programs for faculty members and students namely Sui Generis, Lex Osmose, Lex Arca, Alma matters and HNLU Press.

Thereafter the Vice Chancellor handover the screen to Registrar (I/c) to take up the agenda items and the following agenda items was taken up for discussion:

Sl.	Particulars of Agenda Item
1	<p><b><u>Perusal and approval of the minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 27.11.2019.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Notes:</u></b> Minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 27.11.2019 are placed for perusal and approval.</p> <p><b><u>Decision:</u></b> Minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 27.11.2019 were perused and confirmed with the following observations and further decisions:-</p> <p>a. There has been a gap of approximately one year between the last and the present meetings of the Academic Council and advised to have the mandated number of meetings in the future.</p>



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	<p>b. The matter of Rupal Rani Netam was also discussed due to non implementation of academic council resolution. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor pointed out that-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the month of March-2020 The General Council Meeting was scheduled but due to Covid-19 it could not happen and the matter was not placed before the General Council.</li> <li>In the previous communication through resolution by circulation of General Council it was categorically pointed out by the two members of General Council that in the above matter wide deliberation is required and it is possible only in physical meeting not by circulation.</li> <li>Hon'ble Vice Chancellor assured to the members that as soon as possible the matter will be placed before General Council and after the approval of the same the matter will be implemented.</li> </ol>
2.	<p><b><u>Perusal of the Action Taken Report on the decisions of the Academic Council meeting dated 27.11.2019.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Notes:</u></b> Action Taken Report on the decisions of the Academic Council meeting dated 27.11.2019 is placed for perusal.</p> <p><b><u>Decision:</u></b> Action Taken Report on the decisions of the Academic Council meeting dated 27.11.2019 perused by the Academic Council.</p>
3.	<p><b><u>Award of Ph.D. Degrees to Four successful Research Scholars.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Notes:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Mohammad Atif Khan, Research Scholar of HNLU has successfully completed his research work and all the formalities for award of Ph.D. Degrees in the year 2020 on the research topics entitled "Need of International Competition Agreement to Promote an Effective Antitrust Enforcement in the Light of Economic Globalization".</li> <li>Mr. Govind Yadav, Research Scholar of HNLU has successfully completed his research work and all the formalities for award of Ph.D. Degrees in the year 2020 on the research topics entitled "Comparative Advertisement in the Realm of Trademark: A Critical Study of Issues &amp; Challenges with special reference to Indian Consumers".</li> <li>Mr. Ankit Awasthi, Research Scholar of HNLU has successfully completed his research work and all the formalities for award of Ph.D. Degrees in the year 2020 on the research topics entitled "A Study on the Institutional Reforms for enriching Good Corporate Governance in India with reference to the Companies Act, 2013: Issues, Challenges and the Way Ahead".</li> <li>Mr. Manoj Kumar, Research Scholar of HNLU has successfully completed his research work and all the formalities for award of Ph.D. Degrees in the year 2020 on the research topics entitled "Environment Impact Assessment as an Instrument to Attain the Goal of Sustainable Development: A Study with Special Reference to India".</li> </ol> <p>Accordingly, the matter is placed with relevant documents for perusal and approval for recommending award of Ph.D. degrees to the above research scholars.</p>

  
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Sl.	<u>Particulars of Agenda Item</u>
	<p><b><u>Decision:</u></b> The Academic Council recommends award of Ph.D. Degrees to the four successful Research Scholars.</p>
4.	<p><b><u>Amendments to the Ordinance of B.A. LL.B. (Honours)</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Notes:</u></b> It is proposed to amend the ordinance for B.A. LL.B. (Honors) due to the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. At present each student is required to study eight honors papers for the General Honors Degree. The university is offering five different honors segments, where the students are required to choose two segments and further to choose four papers in each segment. Many of the 20 papers in five segments do not have teachers and are dropped resulting in confusion</li> <li>2. Accordingly, it is proposed to offer eight compulsory honors papers with expertise to teach and thereby to deliver an effective academic input.</li> </ol> <p>Accordingly, draft ordinance for B.A. LL.B. (Honors), with relevant amendments and related documents is placed for perusal and approval.</p> <p><b><u>Decision:</u></b> Accordingly, after incorporating the recommendations of the Academic Council draft ordinance for B.A. LL.B. (Honours) may be placed before the Executive Council and General Council for approval.</p>
5.	<p><b><u>Amendments to the Ordinance of Ph.D.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Notes:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Induction of three more internal faculty as members of RDCU</li> <li>2. Induction of three external faculty subject experts as members of RDCU</li> <li>3. It is proposed to have a blind evaluation of Ph.D. Thesis. Selection of external examiner by the Vice Chancellor/Dean of PG and Research/HoD/Chairperson.</li> <li>4. It is proposed to have scholarship/fellowship and separate infrastructure facilities for full time Ph.D. Scholars.</li> </ol> <p>Accordingly, placed for perusal and approval.</p> <p><b><u>Decision:</u></b> Accordingly, after incorporating the recommendations of the Academic Council draft ordinance for Ph.D. may be placed before the Executive Council and General Council for approval.</p>
6.	<p><b><u>Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.</u></b></p>

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chair.