



NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA

MINUTES OF THE 18TH MEETING OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 21ST AUGUST 2020 AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE OFFICE OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR, IIND FLOOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK AT NLU ODISHA.

Present:

1. Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao
Vice-Chancellor, NLU Odisha
2. Prof. Sheela Rai
Professor of Law, NLUO
3. Prof. Yogesh Pratap Singh
Professor of Law & Registrar(I/c), NLU Odisha
4. Prof. Dolly Jabbal
Professor of Law, NLUO
5. Dr. Arjyalopa Mishra
Assistant Professor of Management, NLU Odisha
6. Ms. Madhubrata Rayasingh
Assistant Professor of Economics, NLU Odisha

Prof. Satish C. Shastri, Prof. Manoj Sinha, Prof. Rashmi M. Oza, Mr. Debi Prasad Dhal, Prof. S. Sachidhanandam, Prof. A Aruna Srilaxmi attended the meeting through online.

Prof. (Dr.) Srikrishna Deva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO, welcomed the new members of the Academic Council. The Vice-Chancellor also expressed gratitude to outgoing members especially Prof. Venkata Rao, Prof. Priyambada Hezmadi, Prof. Premananda Panda for their constant support and guidance.

The agenda items were presented and following decisions were taken by the Academic Council:

AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE 18TH ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

Sl. No.	Agenda Items	Remarks
1.	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 17 th Academic Council Meeting held on July 10, 2019 with Action Taken Report.	Confirmed.
2.	Information about Recent National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) ranking of NLUO.	The Council congratulated the Vice-Chancellor and the team for their collective efforts towards this achievement.
3.	NLU Odisha ranked 4 th best National Law University by India Today.	The Council congratulated the Vice-Chancellor and the team for their collective efforts towards this achievement.



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REPORTING ITEMS		
4. I.	Academic Certificate and Credit Courses	
	a. Courses/ Credit Courses/Certificate Courses offered in the Academic Year 2020-21.	Approved.
	b. Courses/ Credit Courses/Certificate Courses offered and conducted in the Academic Year 2019-20.	<p style="text-align: center;">Approved.</p> <p>Mr. Debi Prasad Dhal, Member BCI and Prof. Manoj Sinha suggested to include a paper on Mediation.</p> <p>The Vice-Chancellor briefed the Council that NLUO is already offering a course on ADR for fourth year in this semester. This course includes Mediation as essential component.</p>
II.	Examination of Final Year BALLB/BBALLB, LL.M. and other Batches	
	a. Evaluation and Examination of Final Year BALLB and BBALLB	Approved.
	b. Evaluation and Examination of LL.M.	Approved.
	c. Evaluation and Examination of First Year, Second Year, Third Year and Fourth Year Undergraduate courses.	Approved.
III	Research/Consultancy Project of NLU Odisha	
	a. UGC Pro-bono and Inauguration of New Block of Legal Aid Clinic	Approved.
	b. Signing of MoU with Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI)	Approved.
	c. Signing of MoU with Institute of Company Secretary of India (ICSI)	Approved.
	d. Project on Odisha Direct Selling Guidelines	Approved.
	e. Project on Drafting of Rules under Consumer Protection Act, 2019	Approved.
ITEMS DIRECTLY REPORTED TO ACADEMIC COUNCIL		
5.	a. Annual Report of the University	Approved.
	b. Appointment of Honorary Professors	Approved.
	c. Report on Research and Internationalization Activities	
	I. Ph.D. Regulations, PHD Admissions for the Academic Year 2019-20 and Course Work	<p style="text-align: center;">Approved.</p> <p>Prof. Manoj Sinha suggested to incorporate amendments made in 2018 and 2019. He also suggested that two credit</p>



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			course on 'Research and Publications' is now compulsory as per recent UGC Notification. That must be introduced.
		II. Future Research Activities	Research Centres are being strengthened. Many Research Proposals have been submitted to various funding agencies.
	d.	AQAR Report for the Year 2018-19.	Approved.
	e.	Institution Innovation Council (IIC) Minutes.	Approved and appreciated the efforts of the University. Dr. Arjyalopa mentioned about 'two start-ups' of NLUO alumni one on 'Memo Pundit' and another on 'Mental Health.' Prof. Manoj Sinha suggested that NLUO should participate in Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements.
	f.	University Publications.	Approved.
	g.	Academic Calendar of the University (August 2020-December 2020).	Approved.
	h.	Orientation of Teachers in Virtual LMS and Cisco Webex Software	Approved.
6.	Any Other Item with the permission of the Chair.		<p>1.The Academic Council accepted the request of Ms Kalyani Rathi not to keep 'R' in her HRM repeat Exam.</p> <p>2.The Council approved and appreciated the efforts of the University. A Committee Prof. Dolly Jabbal, Dr. Arjyalopa Mishra and Ms. Madhubrata Rayasingh will workout a plan to adopt the IIMBx courses.</p> <p>3.The Council approved and appreciated the initiative.</p> <p>4.Prof. Sheela Rai and Prof. Yogesh will provide a plan for NLUO Webinar series.</p> <p>The Council also suggested to offer one Credit Course on 'Human Rights and Human Values' developed by NHRC.</p>



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