

15th Meeting of Academic Council
Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla
Minutes of the Meeting
September, 19, 2022

The 15th Meeting of the Academic Council, HPNLU Shimla was held on September, 19, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. The Meeting was presided by Professor (Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, HPNLU, Shimla.

Following members were present:

1.	Professor (Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, HPNLU	Chairperson
2.	Professor (Dr.) Manoj K. Sinha	Member
3.	Professor (Dr.) Anand Pawar	Member
4.	Professor (Dr.) Sanjay Sindhu	Member
5.	Dr. Amit Vaid	Member
6.	Sh. I.N. Mehta	Member
7.	Dr. Girjesh Shukla	Member
8.	Ms. Navditya Tanwar	Member
9.	Prof. (Dr.) S.S. Jaswal	Secretary

Note: - Professor (Dr.) V. Nagaraj could not attend the meeting.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETINGS

Item No. 1	To confirm the Minutes of the 14th Meeting and Action Taken Report of the Academic Council held on August 27, 2022.	
Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision/Resolved
The Vice Chancellor placed the minutes & Action Taken Report of the 14 th Meeting of Academic Council before the members of the Academic Council.	The Vice-Chancellor explained the details of minutes of last meeting as well as the Action Taken Report.	After brief deliberation over the minutes and Action Taken Report, the same were confirmed unanimously.
Item No. 2	To consider and approve the HPNLU, Shimla Convocation Regulations.	
Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision/Resolved
The Vice Chancellor placed the agenda item before the esteemed members of the Academic Council to consider and approve the HPNLU, Shimla Convocation Regulations.	The Vice-Chancellor informed the esteemed members that Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjiv Khanna, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Visitor to HPNLU, Shimla has directed to schedule the HPNLU 1 st Convocation on 19 th November, 2022. For holding the Convocation, the University has framed the draft HPNLU, Convocation Regulations. She also informed the esteemed members about the arrangements which have already been started by the University but these are inconsonance with the proposed Convocation Regulations. Esteemed members suggested that since it is for the first time that the Convocation Regulations are being adopted by the University, there may arise certain difficulties in organizing the first	After thorough deliberation, the members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to approve the HPNLU, Shimla Convocation Regulations and give ex post facto approval to the arrangements for convocation which have already been started by the University. Further, the esteemed members unanimously authorized the Vice-Chancellor to remove any difficulty in implementation of the Convocation Regulations and accordingly amend the same by addition/deletion of appropriate provisions deemed suitable and necessary. A specific Clause/Rule shall be added in the Convocation Regulations to that effect. The Academic Council unanimously recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.



convocation of the University. Accordingly, Vice-Chancellor should be authorized to remove any difficulty if it arises.

Item No. 3 **To consider and approve the design and format of the Degree Certificates of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., Ph.D. in Law and *Honoris Causa* degree of 'Doctor of Philosophy of Law'.**

Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision
<p>The Vice Chancellor placed the agenda item to consider and approve the design and format of the Degree Certificates of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M. and Ph.D. in Law and <i>Honoris Causa</i> degree of 'Doctor of Philosophy of Law'.</p>	<p>The Vice-Chancellor informed the members that since the University has changed its logo and in view of the HPNLU, first Convocation scheduled on 19th November, 2022, the Himachal Pradesh National Law University examination branch has redesigned and formatted the Degree Certificates of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M., Ph.D. and <i>Honoris Causa</i> Doctor of Philosophy in Law</p>	<p>After thorough deliberation, the members of Academic Council resolved to approve the design and format of the Degree Certificates of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), LL.M. and Ph.D. in Law and <i>Honoris Causa</i> degree of 'Doctor of Philosophy of Law'. attached in the agenda item. Further, the Academic Council unanimously recommended that back side of every degree shall bear, gazette notification number, prepared by and verified by and signature and seal of the Controller of Examinations. The Academic Council unanimously recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.</p>

Item No. 4 **To consider and approve the list of candidates of UG Programmes i.e., B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), PG Programme i.e., LL.M. (One Year Programme) and Ph.D. Programme on whom the respective degrees are to be conferred.**

Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision
<p>The Vice Chancellor placed the agenda item to consider and approve the list of candidates of UG Programmes i.e., B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), PG Programme i.e., LL.M. (One Year Programme) and Ph.D. Programme</p>	<p>The Vice-Chancellor apprised the members of the Academic Council that for the 1st Convocation of HPNLU, Shimla scheduled on 19th November, 2022, the Examination Branch has prepared the list of candidates of UG Programmes i.e.,</p>	<p>After thorough deliberation, the members of Academic Council unanimously resolved to approve the list of candidates of UG Programmes i.e., B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), PG Programme i.e., LL.M. (One Year Programme) and Ph.D. Programme on whom the respective degrees are to be conferred and authorised the Vice-Chancellor to modify any list, if required.</p>

on whom the respective degrees are to be conferred.	B.A./B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.), PG Programme i.e., LL.M. (One Year Programme) and Ph.D. Programme on whom the respective degrees are to be conferred.	The Academic Council unanimously recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.
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Item No. 5 To consider and approve the list of candidates on whom the medals shall be conferred.		
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The Vice Chancellor placed the agenda item to consider and approve the list of candidates on whom the medals shall be conferred.	The Vice-Chancellor apprised the members that for the 1 st Convocation of HPNLU, Shimla scheduled on 19th November, 2022, the Examination Branch has prepared the list of candidates on whom the respective medals are to be conferred.	After thorough deliberation, the members of Academic Council unanimously resolved to approve the list of candidates on whom the medals shall be conferred. Further, the Academic Council unanimously authorised the Vice-Chancellor to modify any list, if required. The Academic Council unanimously recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 6 To consider and approve the conferring of Honoris Causa degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Law.		
Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision
The Vice Chancellor placed the agenda item to consider and approve the conferring of <i>Honoris Causa</i> degree of 'Doctor of Philosophy of Law'.	The Vice-Chancellor apprised the members that University is going to hold its 1 st Convocation on 19th November, 2022. It will be great honor for the University if the esteemed council approves conferment of Honoris Causa degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Law on eminent legal luminaries in the light of Section 44 of the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Shimla Act, 2016. She proposed to the esteemed	After thorough deliberation, the members of Academic Council unanimously resolved to approve the conferring of Honoris Causa degree of Doctor of Laws to Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Kant, Judge, Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Ramasubramanian, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Deepak Gupta, former Judge Supreme Court of India.

Academic Council to confer degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Law (Honoris Causa) on Hon'ble Justice Surya Kant, Judge, Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Ramasubramanian, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Hon'ble Mr. Justice Deepak Gupta, former Judge Supreme Court of India.

The Vice-Chancellor, referring to the Bio Data of the above mentioned Hon'ble Judges, emphatically referred to their contributions in the legal field as well as towards HPNLU, Shimla.

The Vice-Chancellor informed the esteemed members that Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Kant and Hon'ble Mr. Justice V. Ramasubramanian had been Hon'ble Chancellors of HPNLU, Shimla and were elevated to the Hon'ble Supreme Court. She also stated that it is well known to all belonging to the legal field that Hon'ble Mr. Justice Surya Kant is future Chief Justice of India. She also brought to the kind notice of esteemed members that Hon'ble Mr. Justice Deepak Gupta has been associated with the birth of this University also.

The Academic Council unanimously recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

ITEM NO. 6

Any other item with the permission of the chair.

The Hon'ble member Prof. Anand Pawar suggested that the University should invite all members of the Academic Council, Finance Committee, Executive Council and Governing Council in the first scheduled convocation of the University. All members of the Academic Council appreciated the suggestions and resolved that the University should invite all members of the bodies of the University.

Hon'ble Members Sh. I.N. Mehta and Sh. Amit Vaid suggested that the University should invite the Hon'ble Vice-President of the India as the Chief Guest in the 1st scheduled convocation of the University. All members of the Academic Council appreciated the suggestion. On the request of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor both the esteemed members namely Sh. I.N. Mehta and Sh. Amit Vaid agreed to held the University in inviting and getting the Hon'ble Vice-President as Chief Guest for the Convocation ceremony scheduled to be held on 19th November, 2022.

The Vice-Chancellor concluded the meeting by expressing her gratitude towards the esteemed members of the Academic Council.

Professor (Dr.) Manoj K. Sinha

Professor (Dr.) Anand Pawar

Dr. Amit Vaid

Professor (Dr.) Sanjay Sindhu

Sh. I.N. Mehta

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