

NIRMA UNIVERSITY

Minutes of Forty Fifth meeting of the Academic Council held on 16.06.2020 at 2.00 p.m. through Zoom online platform when following members attended the meeting:

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| 1. Dr. Anup K Singh- Chairman | 19. Prof. Milind Joshipura |
| 2. Shri K. Thyagrajan Iyer | 20. Prof. Priti Mehta |
| 3. Dr. K. C. Vora | 21. Prof. Usha Mehta |
| 4. Prof. Rochish Thaokar | 22. Prof. Tejal Mehta |
| 5. Prof. M.Mallikarjun | 23. Prof. Jigna Shah |
| 6. Prof. Manjunath Ghate | 24. Dr. Hardik Bhatt |
| 7. Prof. R.N. Patel | 25. Prof Ashwini Awasthi |
| 8. Prof. Purvi Pokhariyal | 26. Prof. Deepak Danak |
| 9. Prof Utpal Sharma | 27. Prof. Rajesh Jain |
| 10. Prof. Sarat Dalai | 28. Prof Nityesh Bhatt |
| 11. Prof Udail Paliwal | 29. Dr. Hardik Shah |
| 12. Prof. Sangita Shroff | 30. Prof. Shalini Rajkumar |
| 13. Prof. P.N. Tekwani | 31. Ms. Vibha Gajjar |
| 14. Prof. Parul Patel | 32. Dr. Tarkesh Molia |
| 15. Prof. Kaushik M.Patel | - Shri G.Ramachandran Nair – Secretary |
| 16. Prof. Dipak Adhyaru | - Prof. Hrudanand Mishra – Invitee |
| 17. Prof. Santosh Vora | - Prof. Richa Mishra - Invitee |
| 18. Prof. Madhuri Bhavsar | |

Prof. Anamik Shah could not attend the meeting.

In the beginning of the meeting, the Director General and Chairman of the Academic Council Dr. A. K. Singh welcomed all the members. Then, the items of the agenda were deliberated and the following resolutions were passed:

Item No.	Particulars
1.	<u>Resolution</u> Resolved that the minutes of previous meeting held on 25.09.2019, <u>be confirmed</u> as circulated on 09.10.2019.
2.	<u>Resolution</u> Resolved that the note on action taken on the decisions of the previous meeting held on 25.09.2019, <u>be noted</u> .
3. (I) (A)	<u>Resolution</u> Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Technology & Engineering in its meeting held on 29.04.2020 under resolution Nos. 6(iii), 8(iii) & 10(iii) with regard to revision in the curricula of following specializations of M.Tech. by introducing new Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Semester-III and IV in supersession of the existing curricula, to be made effective for the students admitted from academic year 2019-20 onwards, <u>be approved</u> as per Encls.-I to III circulated with the agenda with a suggestion that in the M.Tech. programmes in Mechanical Engineering, the list of elective courses be removed:

Sr.	Name of Department	Specialization
i.	Computer Science and Engineering	i) Computer Science and Engineering ii) Information and Network Security
ii.	Mechanical Engineering	i) Thermal Engineering ii) CAD/CAM
iii.	Electronics & Communication Engineering	i) VLSI Design ii) Embedded System

(B) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Technology & Engineering in its meeting held on 29.04.2020 under resolution No. 6(iv) with regard to introduction of Syllabi of Semester-III and IV of M. Tech. in Computer Science and Engineering (**Data Science**), to be made effective for the students admitted from academic year 2019-20 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-IV circulated with the agenda.

(C) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Technology & Engineering in its meeting held on 29.04.2020 under resolution Nos. 3(A)(iv), 6(i) & 6(ii) with regard to revision in the curricula by introduction of courses along with their Syllabi of Semester-III and IV of **Master of Computer Application**; Department Elective courses- (a) **System and Network Security**, and (b) **Ethical Hacking and Privacy Laws** along with their Syllabi by adding them in the existing pool of Department Elective-III courses; and revision in the nomenclature of Department Elective-II course- “3CA4D204-Scripting Frameworks (UI/UX)” to **Scripting Frameworks**, to be made effective for the students admitted from academic year 2019-20 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-IV circulated with the agenda.

Further resolved that that the scheme with respect to MCA with “2-year” duration be discussed in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

3.(II) (A) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Technology & Engineering in its meeting held on 29.04.2020 under resolution Nos. 4,5(i),5(ii),6(v),7,8(i),9(i) & 10(i) with regard to introduction of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Semester-V and VI of the following branches of **B.Tech.** programme in supersession of existing curricula, to be made effective for the students admitted in academic year 2018-19 onwards and D to D students admitted from academic year 2019-20 onwards, be approved as per Encls.-VI to XII circulated with the agenda with following suggestions:

Sr.	Name of the programme
i.	Instrumentation & Control Engineering
ii.	Electrical Engineering
iii.	Computer Science and Engineering
iv.	Chemical Engineering
v.	Mechanical Engineering
vi.	Civil Engineering
vii.	Electronics & Communication Engineering

- a. in the Instrumentation & Control Engineering, the number of “Unit-0” be revised to **Unit-I** wherever mentioned and the other unite be renumbered accordingly,
- b. in the Chemical Engineering, in the “Department Elective-III”, the Semester be mentioned as **Semester-VII**,
- c. in the Chemical Engineering, the title of the course- “2CHDE04-Food Technology” be revised as **Food Processing Technology**,

(B) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Technology & Engineering in its meeting held on 29.04.2020 under resolution Nos. 3(A)(i),(ii),(v),3(B)(i),(ii) & 10(ii) with regard to introduction of **Open Elective** courses along with their Syllabi in the pool of electives to be offered in semester-V/VI from academic year 2020-21 onwards of all branches of *B.Tech.* programme, be approved as per Encl.-XIII circulated with the agenda with a suggestion that in the note regarding “Tutorial”, the sentence- "minimum xx number of tutorials shall be given", be removed wherever it appeared.

4. **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Technology & Engineering in its meeting held on 29.04.2020 under resolution No. 6(vii) with regard to introduction of new programme– **Executive Diploma Programme in Data Science** along with its Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Trimester-I to III, to be made effective from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be referred back to the Faculty of Technology & Engineering with a suggestion that the Syllabus of the programme be revised to include more Skill oriented courses and the same be placed in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

[**Note:** The above programme be added in the ‘Annexure-I of R.EDP.1’ of Academic Regulations of Executive Diploma Programmes offered by various Faculties published vide notification No. NU-42 dated 03.05.2019 at serial No. ‘4’, and in the ‘Institution of New Courses of Study’ published vide notification No. NU-856 dated 04.03.2005 after serial 1(A) as ‘1(B)’]

5. **Resolution**

Resolved that the introduction of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Semester-III and IV of **Executive B.Tech. in Manufacturing Technology** under Centre for Continuing Education, Nirma University, be approved as per Encl.-XV circulated with the agenda.

6. **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Technology & Engineering in its meeting held on 29.04.2020 under resolution Nos. 3(A)(iii), 5(iii), 6(vi), 8(iii) and 9(ii) and Faculty of Management in its meeting held on 30.04.2020 under resolution No. 9 with regard to introduction of Programme Structure, Teaching and Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Semester-I and II of the newly introduced **Integrated Bachelor of Technology (Computer Science and Engineering) – Master of Business Administration** under Faculty of Management, to be made effective for the students to be admitted from academic year 2020-2021 onwards, be withdrawn and be placed in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

[**Note:** The above programme is already instituted vide notification No. NU-193 dated 03.02.2020]

7. (A) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Management in its meeting held on 30.04.2020 under resolution Nos. 4(A),(B),5,6,7(A) & 8 with regard to introduction of Syllabi of courses of **MBA (Human Resource Management)** programme of Trimester-I to III to be made effective from academic year 2020-21 onwards and addition of an explanatory note with regard to “**Skill Workshops–Industry Readiness**” in the programme structure, be approved as per Encl.-XVII circulated with the agenda with a suggestion that the nomenclature of the course- “Written Analysis of Cases” of Term-I and II be revised as **Written Analysis of Communication**.

[Note: The above addition be added before the paragraph related to ‘Field Immersion’ published vide notification No. NU-152 dated 22.10.2019]

- (B) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Management in its meeting held on 30.04.2020 under resolution Nos. 3,4(C) & 7(B) with regard to introduction of following Elective courses along with their Syllabi to be offered to the students admitted in all the PG programmes run under the Institute of Management, to be made effective from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XVIII circulated with the agenda with a suggestion that the nomenclature of the course- “Capstone Simulation” be revised as **Business Simulation**:

- i. Business Simulation
- ii. Indirect Taxes
- iii. Predictive Analysis
- iv. Data Analytics & Data Mining

8. (A) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Pharmacy in its meeting held on 04.03.2020 under resolution Nos. 3(B),4(B),5(B),6(B) & 7(B) with regard to introduction of following Institute Elective courses along with their Syllabi to be offered in Semester-II of following specializations of M.Pharm. programme, to be made effective for the students admitted from academic year 2020-21 onwards, as per Encl.-XIX circulated with the agenda, be referred back to the Faculty of Pharmacy in view of the already existing course load of “35 hours in a week”:

Pharmaceutical Analysis

- i. Analysis of Biotechnology derived Products
- ii. Food and Forensic Analysis

(to be offered to all M.Pharm. specializations except Pharmaceutical Analysis)

Pharmaceutical Chemistry

- i. Computer Aided Drug Design
- ii. Structural Elucidation of Organic Compounds

(to be offered to all M.Pharm. specializations except Pharmaceutical Chemistry)

Pharmaceutics

- i. Quality by Design for Pharmaceuticals-Theory
- ii. Bioavailability and Bioequivalence Testing-Theory

(to be offered to all M.Pharm. specializations except Pharmaceutics)

Pharmacognosy

- i. Advances in Herbal Drug Technology-Theory
- ii. Cosmeceuticals and Nutraceuticals-Theory

(to be offered to all M.Pharm. specializations except Pharmacognosy)

Pharmacology

- i. Screening Approaches in Pharmacology-Theory
- ii. Overview and Application of Medical Devices-Theory

(to be offered to all M.Pharm. specializations except Pharmacology)

(B) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Pharmacy in its meeting held on 04.03.2020 under resolution No. 3(A) with regard to revision in syllabus of the course- **MPA102T-Advanced Pharmaceutical Analysis** of Semester-II of M.Pharm. in Pharmaceutical Analysis, to be made effective from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XX circulated with the agenda.

(C) **Resolution Nos. 3(C),4(A),5(A),6(A) & 7(A):**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Pharmacy in its meeting held on 04.03.2020 under resolution Nos. 3(C),4(A),5(A),6(A) & 7(A) with regard to introduction of following University Elective courses along with its Syllabi, to be offered to the students of Institutes *other than* Institute of Pharmacy from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXI circulated with the agenda:

- i. Global Regulations on Medical Devices
- ii. Fundamentals of Biomolecules
- iii. Fundamentals of Experimental Design for Optimization-Theory
- iv. Good Manufacturing Practices and Technology Transfer-Theory
- v. Functional Foods and Health Supplements-Theory
- vi. Complementary and Alternative systems of Medicine-Theory
- vii. Life Style Disorders and their Management-Theory

9. (A) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Architecture & Planning in its meeting held on 03.03.2020 under resolution No. 3(A) with regard to revision in the Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Semester-I of B.Arch. programme, to be made effective for the students to be admitted from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXII circulated with the agenda with a suggestion that the teaching hours of some of the courses be corrected.

(B) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Architecture & Planning in its meeting held on 03.03.2020 under resolution No. 3(B) with regard to revision in the curriculum of B. Arch. Programme by introducing Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Semester-III and IV of B.Arch. programme in pursuance to the draft guidelines of Council of Architecture under “Minimum Standards of Architectural Education Regulations-2017”, to be made effective for the students to be registered in Semester-III from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXIII circulated with the agenda with following suggestions:

- (i) all the Institute Elective courses of Semester-IV be removed
- (ii) a new course- **2AR469-Photography** be added as *core course*
- (iii) the teaching hours of some of the courses be corrected

(C) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Architecture & Planning in its meeting held on 03.03.2020 under resolution No. 3(C) with regard to- (a) *swapping* of all courses of ‘Semester-VII’ to **Semester-VIII** for academic year 2020-21 only due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and, (b) amendment in the Institute Elective courses due to updation of course codes, credit and examination scheme, to be made applicable from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXIV circulated with the agenda with a suggestion that the teaching hours of some of the courses be corrected.

(D) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Architecture & Planning in its meeting held on 03.03.2020 under resolution No. 3(D) with regard to introduction of Minor in **Urban Planning** along with its Policy, Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi, to be offered to the students of B.Arch. and B.Tech. (Civil Engineering) programmes from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXV circulated with the agenda with a suggestion that the teaching hours of some of the courses be corrected.

Resolved further that the revised documents incorporating above suggestions be submitted to the Director General and the Director General be authorized to approve the same.

(E) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Architecture & Planning in its meeting held on 03.03.2020 under resolution No. 4 with regard to introduction of a new programme- **Integrated Bachelor of Planning-Master of Planning** along with its programme structure, teaching & examination scheme and syllabi of Semester-I, to be offered from academic year 2020-21 onwards as per Encl.-XXVI circulated with the agenda, be withdrawn and be placed in the next meeting of the Academic Council along with its Teaching & Examination Scheme.

10. (A) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Law in its meeting held on 07.03.2020 under resolution Nos. 3(A),3(B),4(A) & 5(A) with regard to introduction of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Semester-V and VI

of B.A.,LL.B. (Hons.) and B.Com., (LL.B.) in supersession of existing curricula, to be made effective for the students to be registered in third year from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXVII circulated with the agenda.

[**Note:** The above curricula is introduced as per the guidelines of the Bar Council of India for the students admitted in Semester-I from academic year 2018-19 onwards]

(B) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Law in its meeting held on 07.03.2020 under resolution Nos. 3(C) & 4(B) with regard to revision in the Syllabi of the courses- (i) **English-I (Communication)** and (ii) **English-II (Literature)** of Semester-I and II respectively of B.A.,LL.B.(Hons.) and B.Com.,LL.B.(Hons.), and (iii) introduction of the course- **2BBL241-Organizational Behaviour** along with their Syllabi in place of existing course- '2BBL233-E-Commerce' of Semester-II of B.Com., LL.B. (Hons.) programme and thereby revision in its Teaching & Examination Scheme, to be made effective from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXVIII circulated with the agenda.

(C) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Law in its meeting held on 07.03.2020 under resolution No. 5(B) with regard to revision in the Syllabi of the following courses of Semester-III and IV of B.A.,LL.B (Hons.) and B.Com.,LL.B. (Hons.) programmes and thereby revision in its Teaching & Examination Scheme, to be made effective for the students to be registered in second year from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXIX circulated with the agenda:

Semester-III

- i. Criminal Litigation I (IPC, Cr.P.C.)
- ii. Contract Law II

Semester-IV

Criminal Litigation II (IPC, Cr.P.C.)

(D) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Law in its meeting held on 07.03.2020 under resolution No. 5(C) with regard to revision in the Syllabi of the following courses of Semester-VII and VIII of B.A.,LL.B (Hons.) and B.Com.,LL.B. (Hons.) programmes, to be made effective for the students to be registered in the fourth year from academic year 2020-21 onward, be approved as per Encl.-XXX circulated with the agenda:

Semester-VII

Labour and Industrial Law I

Semester-VIII

- i. Labour and Industrial Law II
- ii. Arbitration, Conciliation & Alternate Dispute Resolution System (Clinical course)

- (E) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Law in its meeting held on 07.03.2020 under resolution No. 5(D) with regard to introduction of following new courses along with the Syllabi in the pool of Institute Elective courses for Semester-VII to IX of B.A., LL.B. (Hons.) and B.Com., LL.B.(Hons.) programmes, to be offered from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXXI circulated with the agenda:

- i. Artificial Intelligence and Law
- ii. Law, Policy and Governance
- iii. European Legal System
- iv. U.S. Legal System
- v. Chinese Legal System
- vi. Human Rights
- vii. Critical Criminal Law
- viii. Banking Law

- (F) **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Law in its meeting held on 07.03.2020 under resolution No. 5(E) with regard to revision in the Teaching and Examination Scheme and syllabi of following courses of Trimester-I of LL.M. programmes, to be made effective for the students to be admitted from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXXII circulated with the agenda with a suggestion that the nomenclature of the course- “Comparative Law (Constitutional Governance in Federal Countries: Select Institutes)” as **Comparative Law**:

- i. Law and Justice in Globalizing World
- ii. Research Methodology and Legal Writing
- iii. Comparative Law

During the meeting, the Chairman suggested that as much as possible, there should not be any major amendment at least up to next three years in view of the new curricula introduced by the Bar Council of India.

11. **Resolution**
Resolved that the recommendation made by the Faculty of Science in its meeting held on 20.02.2020 under resolution Nos. 3 to 5 with regard to following revision in the Teaching & Examination Scheme of Semester-I to IV of all M.Sc. programmes, to be made effective from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXXIII with the agenda:

- i. removal of courses- a) **Cyber Security** of Semester-I and, b) **Professional Ethics, Rights & Duties** of Semester-II
- ii. reduction of Credit of the course- “Laboratory-I” of Semester-I from “14 hours/7 credits” to **12 hours/6 credits**
- iii. introduction of the course- **Summer Training** as 2 credit course in Semester-III
- iv. Revision in the syllabus of the course- **3SBT312-Research Methods** of Semester-III of all M.Sc. programmes
- v. reduction of Credit of the course- “Dissertation” from ‘26’ to **25** of Semester-IV

12.

Resolution

Resolved that the recommendation made by the Ad hoc Board of Studies in Design in its meeting held on 15.02.2020 under resolution Nos. 3(i) and (ii) with regard to introduction of Syllabi of courses of Semester-VII of B.Des. programmes in **Communication Design** and **Industrial Design** along with following revision in the Teaching & Examination Scheme of B.Des. in **Industrial Design**, to be made effective from academic year 2020-21 onwards, be approved as per Encl.-XXXIV with the agenda with a suggestion that justification regarding revision in credit of course mentioned at sr. no. (ii) & (iii) is required:

- i. revision in the nomenclature of the Institute Elective course of Semester-VII- “IDTH414E-Study of Operational Interface in Products” to **IDTH415E-Advanced Interaction Technologies**
- ii. . revision in the credit of the course- “IDTH411-Systems Thinking” from ‘2’ to **3. This course is offered to the students of B. Des. in Communication Design as well. However, the credit for this course offered to them remains ‘2’ only**
- iii. revision in the credit of the course- “IDSK411-Advanced 3D Modelling” from ‘2’ to **3**
- iv. revision in the credit of the Institute Elective courses- “IDTH413E” and “IDTH415E” from ‘4’ to **3**
- v. **the nomenclature of courses of offered under Institute Elective-II- of Semester-VII of B.Des. in Communication Design be revised as the course titles are very long**

Resolved further that the revised documents incorporating above suggestions be submitted to the Director General and the Director General be authorized to approve the same.

13. (A)

Resolution

Resolved the recommendation made by the *Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research* in its meeting held on 02.05.2020 under resolution No. 3 with regard to awarding the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) to the following students of Faculties of 9Technology & Engineering, Pharmacy, Science and Management on completion of all academic requirements which are evident from the record of result of the course work, report of the Board of Referees and report of viva-voce examinations, be accepted and be forwarded to **Board of Governors**:

Sr.	Name of the Student	Faculty
(i)	Gandhi Ravi Vikramkumar 16FTVPHDE17	Tech. & Engg.
(ii)	Priya Parag Saxena12EXTPHDE81	Tech. & Engg.
(iii)	Shailendra Singh 12EXTPHDE86	Tech. & Engg.
(iv)	Gadhavi Lataben Jasantdanji12EXTPHDE92	Tech. & Engg.
(v)	Makhesana Mayurkumar Ashwinbhai13EXTPHDE105	Tech. & Engg.
(vi)	Ashokkumar Ashwinikumar Tiwari13EXTPHDE116	Tech. & Engg.
(vii)	Shah Dhaval Bipinchandra14EXTPHDE137	Tech. & Engg.
(viii)	Trivedi Kedar Niranjanbhai 15EXTPHDE152	Tech. & Engg.
(ix)	Prajapat Manali Dhanraj13FTPHDP19	Pharmacy
(x)	Nimitt Virenabhai Chokshi 13FTPHDP22	Pharmacy

(xi)	Rajput Amarjitsing Premsinh14FTPHDP24	Pharmacy
(xii)	Tejal Rawal14FTPHDP27	Pharmacy
(xiii)	Viral Arvindhbai Patel14FTPHDP29	Pharmacy
(xiv)	Bhayani Dhara Rajeshbhai14FTPHDP31	Pharmacy
(xv)	Khatri Hirenkumar Natvarlal 11EXTPHDP72	Pharmacy
(xvi)	Upadhyay Jagatkumar Rajendrakumar 11EXTPHDP69	Pharmacy
(xvii)	Patel Pooja Ishvarbhai 15FTPHDS36	Science
(xviii)	B. Narasiha Sharma 12EXTPHDS39	Science
(xix)	Patel Swetaben Bharatbhai14EXTPHDS62	Science
(xx)	Mehta Kathak Rajen123102	Management
(xxi)	Anurodhsingh Pritpalsingh Khanuja143101	Management
(xxii)	Mungra Yogesh Sanjaybhai143109	Management
(xxiii)	Rajwinder Kaur 153103	Management
(xiv)	Vineet Kumar10EXTDPM08	Management
(xxv)	Ganesh P11EXTDPM13	Management
(xxvi)	Kadiya Shriram Surendra13EXTDPM32	Management

(B) **Resolution**

Resolved that the recommendation made by the *Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research* in its meeting held on 02.05.2020 under resolution Nos. 4 and 5 with regard to following amendments in the academic regulations of **Ph.D. (Full-Time)** and **Ph.D. (Part-Time)** programmes, be accepted as per Encl.-XXXV circulated with the agenda and the same be forwarded to the **Board of Governors** for its approval:

- i. R.Ph.D.-3.9, R.Ph.D.-7.9, and R.DPM.(Ext)-4.9 published vide notification Nos.NU-120 dated 27.04.2006, NU-329 dated 25.10.2016 & NU-81 dated 20.05.2017 and NU-1864K dated 8.11.2007 respectively with regard to stipulation of time limit for submission of revision by the Ph.D. scholars based on the suggestions made by the external referee on the thesis, attached herewith as *Appendix- A*.

It was **further resolved that**, the external examiners shall be requested to state clearly in the Thesis Evaluation Report that the suggestions given are leading to minor or major revision in the thesis.

- ii. R.Ph.D.-5.2 and Annexure-I of R.Ph.D.-5.3 published vide notification Nos. NU-329 dated 25.10.2016 and NU-81 dated 20.05.2017 respectively with regard to introduction of two credits course on Research and Publication Ethics (RPE) attached herewith as *Appendix-B*.

14. (i) **Resolution**

Resolved that, the amendment in the Academic Regulations of **UG programmes in Law** under Faculty of Law by way of introducing new Academic Regulations in supersession of existing academic regulations, to be made effective for the students to be admitted from academic year 2020-21 onwards, as per Encl.-XXXVI circulated with the agenda be withdrawn and be placed in the next meeting of the Academic Council

(ii) **Resolution**

Resolved that, the amendment in the R.EDP.8.7(i)–Academic/ Passing Standards of Academic Regulations for **Executive Diploma Programmes** run under *various* Institutes under the University, be accepted as per Encl.-XXXVII circulated with the agenda and be forwarded to the **Board of Governors** for its approval with a suggestion that for passing the course, the student should appear in the TEE but no

minimum % are required.

(iii) **Resolution**

Resolved that, the introduction of Academic Regulations of **Integrated Bachelor of Technology (Computer Science and Engineering)–Master of Business Administration** programme under Faculty of Management, **be withdrawn** and **be placed** in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

(iv) **Resolution**

Resolved that, the introduction of Academic Regulations of **Integrated Bachelor of Planning–Master of Planning** programme under Faculty of Architecture & Planning, **be withdrawn** and **be placed** in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

15. **Resolution**

Resolved to recommend to the Board of Governors that the Degrees of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Master of Business Administration, Master of Laws, Master of Technology, Master of Technology (by Research), Master of Science, Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Technology, Bachelor of Architecture, Bachelor of Commerce, Integrated Bachelor of Administration–Master of Administration, Bachelor of Business Administration, **be awarded** to **584** candidates who have successfully completed all the academic requirements prescribed for the same. The list of the students is attached herewith as ***Appendix-C***.

16. **Resolution**

Resolved that, the institution of a new institute- “Institute of Professional Studies” under Nirma University, **be accepted** with a suggestion that the name of the institute **be named** as **Institute of Integrated Studies** as per the documents placed on the table at the time of the meeting as per ***Appendix-D*** and **be forwarded** to the **Board of Governors** for its approval.

17. **Resolution**

Resolved that, the information furnished about decision taken by the Director General u/s 19(3) of Nirma University Act, **be noted and approved** as per Encl.-XXXIX circulated with the agenda, as under with a remark for the item mentioned **sr. no. (xiv)** the said modification is for the year 2020-21 only due to the COVID-19 Pandemic:

- i. Introduction of Teaching & Examination Scheme and Syllabi of Semester-I and II of Executive B.Tech. in Manufacturing Technology
(notification No. NU-110 dated 05.08.2019)
- ii. Increase in the intake of UG Law programmes run under Institute of Law from existing 120 to 180 (three sections of 60 students in each programme) from academic year 2020-21 onwards
(notification No. NU-168 dated 07.11.2019)
- iii. Implementation of minimum qualification for appointment of teaching staff in the Dept. of Design, NU in view of the AICTE notification prescribing the minimum

qualification for appointment of teachers and other academic staff
(notification No. NU-177 dated 22.11.2019)

- iv. Revision in the components of Teaching Scheme and Examination Scheme by way of shifting the weightage of LPW/PW in Term-I to Term-III of Integrated BBA-MBA programme
(notification No. NU-178 dated 25.11.2019)
- v. Correction in the credit of course- 'Internship with NGO/Trial Court/High Court/Law firm/Supreme Court' of Semester-IX of UG programmes in Law
(notification No. NU-180 dated 25.11.2019)
- vi. Admissions in M.Pharm in "Pharmaceutical Chemistry" be kept in abeyance from academic year 2020-21 onwards till further order
(notification No. NU-181 dated 26.11.2019)
- vii. Amendment in the criteria with regard to submission of eligibility certificate
(notification No. NU-182 dated 27.12.2019)
- viii. Guidelines for awarding relative grading in the examination of courses of B.Arch. programme
(notification No. NU-183 dated 13.01.2020)
- ix. Institution of a new programme- **Integrated Bachelor of Technology (Computer Science and Engineering)-Master of Business Administration** under Faculty of Management, its eligibility criteria, determination of merit for admission and intake
(notification No. NU-193 dated 03.02.2020)
- x. Amendment in the criteria for attendance for the students of Executive Diploma programmes
(notification No. NU-194 dated 04.02.2020)
- xi. Admission in Bachelor of Planning (B.Plan.) programme be kept in abeyance from academic year 2020-21 onwards
(notification No. NU-209 dated 22.04.2020)
- xii. Conduct of Semester End(SEE)/ Term End (TEE) examinations and assessment in view of COVID-2019
(notification No. NU-210 dated 12.05.2020)
- xiii. Institution of **Integrated Bachelor of Planning-Master of Planning** programme under Faculty of Architecture & Planning, its eligibility criteria, determination of merit for admission and intake
(notification No. NU-212 dated 27.05.2020)
- xiv. Swapping of the existing courses of Semester-VI with the courses of Semester-VII of B.Des. in Industrial Design due to COVID-19
(notification No. NU-05 dated 06.06.2020)
- xv. Determination of merit as per R.MBAFBE.2.2 for admitting students in MBA (Family Business & Entrepreneurship) in the academic year 2020-21 in view of the COVID-19

pandemic, as under:

- a. Personal Interview: 70%
 - b. Oral Communication: 30%
- xvi Determination of merit as per R.SCIENCE.(PG)-2.B for admitting students in M. Sc. Programmes in the academic year 2020-21 in view of the COVID-19 pandemic, as under:

“Preparation of merit list on the basis of aggregate marks obtained up to pre-final semester examination of B.Sc. (without any backlog).”

18. **Resolution**

Resolved that, the information furnished through the Standing Committee for Equivalence of Examinations with regard to considering the following examinations of other university/institution as equivalent to the corresponding examinations of Nirma University, be noted and approved:

(A) **Faculty of Technology & Engineering**

Name of student	Name of the qualifying exam	Place from where qualifying exam given	Exam recognized as equivalent by Nirma University	Admission sought in course	Eligible for admission to the course of Nirma University
Dhvani Pranis Shah	General Baccalaureate (Grade 12) SERIE, S	Les Colleges De France (Madagascar)	HSC/Class 12	B.Tech	B.Tech

(B) **Faculty of Management**

Name of the student	Name of the qualifying exam	Place from where qualifying exam given	Equivalent to exam recognized by Nirma University	Admission sought in course	Eligible for admission to the course of Nirma University
Desai Yash Jignesh Dipti	Bachelor of Mass Media	University of Mumbai	Graduation	MBA	MBA

(C) **Faculty of Pharmacy**

Name of student	Name of the qualifying exam	Place from where qualifying exam given	Exam recognized as equivalent by Nirma University	Admission sought in course	Eligible for admission to the course of Nirma University
Aarti Patel	High School Diploma and Associate Degree Examination	Cleveland High School, Tennessee State Board of Education (USA)	Grade XII (HSC)	B.Pharm	B.Pharm

TABLE ITEM

19. (a) Consideration of recommendations made by the ***Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research*** in its meeting held on 02.05.2020 under its table item with regard to consideration of conducting the online Viva-voce examination through video

conferencing based on the guidelines published by UGC in its letter no. F.1-1/2020, dated 29.04.2020 (clause 12, Page no. 7) in view of Covid-19 pandemic.

Resolution

Resolved the recommendations made by the *Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research* as a table item placed at the time of meeting and attached herewith as *Appendix-E* with regard to consideration of conducting the online Viva-voce examination through video conferencing based on the guidelines published by UGC in its letter no. F.1-1/2020, dated 29.04.2020 (clause 12, Page no. 7), be approved in view of Covid-19 pandemic for the period up to December, 2020.

- (b) Consideration of recommendations made by the *Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research* in its meeting held on 02.05.2020 under its table item with regard to giving extension of 6 months to the Ph.D. students to submit the thesis and other documents based on the guidelines published by UGC in its letter no. F.1-1/2020, dated 29.04.2020 (clause 13, Page no. 7).

Resolution

Resolved the recommendations made by the *Faculty of Doctoral Studies & Research* as a table item placed at the time of meeting and attached herewith as *Appendix-E* with regard to giving extension of 6 months to the Ph.D. students to submit the Thesis, other documents etc based on the guidelines published by UGC in its letter no. F.1-1/2020, dated 29.04.2020 (clause 13, Page no. 7), be approved in view of Covid-19 pandemic.

Resolved further that such extension may be permitted to the students, whose last date of submission of thesis falls between March, 2020 and December, 2020.

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