

Minutes of the online Eighth Meeting of the Board of Studies in History held on 26th April 2022

Platform: Zoom

Present:

Swarupa Kamat, Dr. Poncha, Manisha Saindane, Dr. M. Bandhopadhyay, Dr. Kurush Dalal.

Agenda:

1. Welcome from the Chair
2. To approve the minutes of meeting held on 3rd February 2022.
3. To approve the minor, additional changes made in the syllabi of TYBA Semester V Papers VIII and IX.
4. To approve the revised syllabi of SYBA and TYBA.
5. To inform the BoS about the add on certificate courses
6. Anything else with the permission of the Chair.

Minutes

S. Kamat stated that Prof Kamat and Dr. Wamburkar would be unable to attend due to other commitments and had been excused.

The minutes were placed before the Board members. Dr. Madhumita appreciated the details given in the minutes. The subsequent changes made in TYBA Papers VIII and IX were presented. This was on the basis of suggestions given by Dr. Manjiri Kamat in her emails, as she had been unable to attend the latter part of the previous meeting, as she had to attend another meeting.

Dr. Madhumita asked about the use of the word 'regional' in Paper IX with regard to the Current Affairs. This was explained by S. Kamat. Following a discussion amongst the Board, it was agreed that a further revision was not needed.

The revised syllabi was approved.

S. Kamat informed the BoS members that the department had successfully conducted two RUSA sponsored add on certificate courses. Each course was for 30 hours and worth one credit. The first was *Humari Mumbai; Urbs Prima in Indis*. This was conducted in collaboration with Mumbai Research Centre of Asiatic Society, Mumbai. There were 10 sessions held in January 2022 and 55 students successfully completed the course. The Resource Persons included Board members Dr. Dalal and Prof. Kamat amongst others. The second course was *Ancient Civilisations; Two Case Studies* with Board member Dr. Dalal as its Resource Person. There were 10 sessions, with one in January and the rest in February 2022, and 94 students completed this course. S. Kamat stated that in the next academic year, an attempt would be made to conduct one course in each semester.

The meeting concluded with S. Kamat thanking the BoS members for attending the meeting and for their suggestions with regard to the syllabi.



Swarupa Kamat

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