

Sophia College (Autonomous)



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Minutes of Hindi Board of Studies Meeting 9

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Minutes of the 9th B. O. S. Meeting held on 3rd October, 2022

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The 9th online BOS Meeting of the Department of Hindi was held on 3rd October 2022 at 6 pm on the Zoom platform. Our VC Nominee Dr. Satyawati Chaubey, Two Subject Experts Dr. Ravindra Katyayan and Dr. Dinesh Pathak, our Sophia alumna Dr. Tabassum Khan and Industry Expert Mr. Sunder Chand Thakur along with the host team attended the meeting.

Everyone including Dr. Sethi congratulated Mr. Thakur on the release of his publication 'खुद से जीत'.

- Dr. Sethi welcomed everyone and after obtaining permission from VC nominee Dr. Chaubey, went over the agenda points one by one. She started with reading the minutes of the previous meeting (8th BOS meeting) which was held on 7th May, 2022. These minutes were approved by all the members.

- She then took up exam related points and updated the members about IA (Internal Assessment) status of all the three degree classes. The IA and SEE carry 50:50 (equal) marks. For IA marks, two best scores from 3 IA activities are chosen, carrying 25 marks each. The first two IAs have a good mix of objective and descriptive segments while the third is entirely descriptive in format. Dr. Sethi displayed an IA question paper (Paper 5) on her screen to the members. She also explained the SEE exam pattern which was supposed to be fully descriptive having four questions of 14+12+12+12 with options and which amounted to a total of 50 marks. She informed the members that 6th October was the starting date for TY and SY exams and that the FY exams will be held in December.

- There was a query from Dr. Chaubey about the RTC type questions in papers. Dr. Sethi explained that all those papers which were based on textual studies have Reference to Context type questions in the paper.

- After that Dr. Sethi shared information about the department's Add On courses of year 2022-23. Department's USP course of Spoken Japanese could not be organised due to some unavoidable reasons but the Saral Hindi Classes run by Hindustani Prachar Sabha continued for interested students.

- Dr. Sethi and Dr. Pachunde told members about a field trip to Hindustani Prachar Sabha Bhawan in Charni Road with the students. Dr. Sethi also told the members about Hindi Diwas celebrations.

- No change was proposed in the syllabus for this year.
- Ms. Smriti Singh discussed her emphasis on practical skill learning in Paper 6 which is about Information Technology and Social Media. The skills acquired here would equip the students for future openings.
- Dr. Sethi shared some of the students' feedback after having watched a performance on YouTube.

Everybody including Dr. Katyayan appreciated the good work and had a discussion about pressures of NAAC and about some impending changes in the process of Assessment.

- Dr. Khan said that she wished students could perform the play Aadhe-Adhure. But most of the members felt that Aadhe-Adhure was too complex and intense a play for students and required professional artists to enact it. Then Dr. Satyawati was of the view that some effort must be made for enhancing the experience of the students. She also spoke about a Drama course planned in her college where students write a drama script on a story and then rehearse to perform it.
- Dr. Katyayan and Dr. Khan lamented the general loss of writing skills in students after two years of online teaching during the pandemic.
- At the end of the discussion Dr. Sethi gave a vote of thanks and the meeting came to an end at 7 pm.



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