

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
Sophia College (Autonomous), Mumbai 400026.

BoS Report 1: 10th Meeting of Education Board of Studies

The 10th Meeting of the Board of Studies, Department of Education, Sophia College (Autonomous), was held on Tuesday, 13th June 2023, at 3:00 p.m., in online mode, on the Zoom Platform.

The Chairperson extended a warm welcome to all the Members of the Board of Studies.

Members present: Five members of the BoS Education; the Chairperson Dr Andrea Coutinho, the VC Nominee Prof. Savita Sable, the Subject Experts Prof. Vini Sebastian and Dr Hema Bhadawkar and Sophia Faculty Mrs Sofia Edroos were present, for the 10th Education BoS Meeting.

Members absent: Two members, i.e. the Industry/Corporate Representative Mrs Dipti Ajgaonkar (excused herself for a Company Project Workshop) and the Meritorious Alumnus Ms Tanashri Shivalkar (had an urgent commitment) were absent, for the 10th BoS Meeting.

The Agenda of the 10th BoS Meeting, the Minutes of the 9th BoS Meeting and the Proposed FYBA Education Syllabus (NEP 2020); were prior emailed to the BoS Members.

1. Passing of the Minutes of the Online Ninth BoS Meeting (17th October 2022)

The Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the Education BoS, held on Tuesday, 17th October 2022, were displayed on the screen and read out by the Chairperson. The Minutes of the 9th Meeting were proposed to be passed by Dr Hema Bhadawkar and seconded by Prof. Savita Sable. The Chairperson thanked the BoS Members for passing the Minutes of the 9th Education BoS Meeting.

At the outset, the Chairperson presented a brief report of the Education Department for academic year 2022-2023 and then informed the BoS members that the new NEP 2020 FY-UG Syllabus will be implemented by autonomous colleges, in academic year 2023-24.

2. Approval of Semester-1 Syllabus of FYBA Education Syllabus, as per NEP 2020.

The NEP 2020 Lecture Workload for the Department of Education:

The Sophia College NEP Committee allocated the workload to the Department of Education according to the NEP 2020 guidelines given by the 20th April 2023 G.R., and by the university and government authorities at various workshops held for Autonomous College Principals and NEP Nodal Officers; in the State of Maharashtra. The Sophia College Department of Education was allocated the NEP 2020 Workload in the category of MINOR Courses for six semesters (because it is a Single-Teacher department). The single Assistant Professor / Associate Professor has a total workload of SIXTEEN 1-hour lecture sessions per week (across the six semesters of FYBA, SYBA and TYBA Education).

FYBA Education Courses (per NEP 2020 Guidelines): The Chairperson explained the NEP 2020 FYBA Education Courses, for the 1st Semester, which is being implemented for the Academic Year 2023-2024 across the state of Maharashtra. The FYBA Education MINOR Course has 4 units, a workload of 4 lectures per week, and of 4 credits per semester (1 credit = 15 hours). The 15 weeks of instruction and internal assessment, will be followed by the written semester-end-exam of 2 hours duration, in late October -to- early November 2023. The Chairperson explained that the NEP 2020 FYBA Education Course, for the second semester in 2023-2024, would be constructed later in this academic year. The BoS Members discussed and suggested a few improvements for the Syllabus of Education FYBA Semester-1

RESOLUTION (1): The BoS Members approved and passed the Revised Syllabi for the FYBA Education Course (Semester-1), as per NEP 2020.

3. To Approve and Pass the Revised Syllabi for the SYBA Education and TYBA Education Courses:

SYBA Education Courses: The Chairperson explained that no changes were made in the SYBA Education Syllabi for the Academic Year 2023-2024.

TYBA Education Courses: The Chairperson explained that only change was made in the TYBA Education Syllabi for the Academic Year 2023-2024. The awareness of the NCF 2023 was added to Units 2 and 4 in the 5th Semester, and to Unit 2 in the 6th Semester.

RESOLUTION (2): The BoS Members approved and passed the Revised Syllabi for the SYBA Education and TYBA Education Courses for Academic Year 2023-2024.

4. To Approve and Pass the Revised Assessment Pattern of 60:40 for SYBA Education and TYBA Education, for implementation in the Academic Year 2023-2024.

The Chairperson requested the BoS members to approve and pass the Revised Assessment Pattern of 60:40, for SYBA Education and TYBA Education, for implementation in the Academic Year 2023-2024, by Sophia College (Autonomous).

RESOLUTION (3): The BoS Members approved and passed the Revised Assessment Pattern of 60:40, for SYBA Education and TYBA Education, for implementation in the Academic Year 2023-2024, by Sophia College (Autonomous).

5. To authorize the Chairperson BoS to modify/tweak the Syllabus (if needed) as per the revised (if at all) NEP norms, as adopted by Sophia College (Autonomous).

The Chairperson requested the BoS members to authorise the Chairperson to modify the syllabus, according to the NEP Curriculum institutional norms adopted by Sophia College (Autonomous).

RESOLUTION (4): The BoS Members authorized the Chairperson BoS to modify/tweak the Syllabus (if needed) as per revised (if at all) NEP norms, as adopted by the Sophia College (Autonomous).

6. To approve the broad assessment pattern for First Year UnderGraduate NEP 2020 courses, in the 4 credits Education MINOR courses of the Department of Education

The Chairperson requested the BoS Members to approve the broad assessment pattern for FY-UG courses (NEP 2020 Syllabi) in the 4 credits MINOR courses of the Department of Education according to the NEP Curriculum institutional norms adopted by Sophia College (Autonomous).

RESOLUTION (5): The BoS Members approved the broad assessment pattern for FY-UG courses (NEP 2020 Syllabi) in the 4 credits MINOR courses of the Department of Education according to the NEP Curriculum institutional norms adopted by Sophia College (Autonomous).

7. To discuss Additional Courses (add-on courses and NEP 2020 curricular courses).

The Chairperson explained the plans for the Two-Credit, Skill Development Add-On Course "Ethical Hacking" to be conducted in August-September 2023.

8. To consider any other matter, with the permission of the Chair.

No other matter was brought before the BoS members, with the permission of the Chair. The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks by the Chairperson,

Dr Andrea Coutinho.

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