

### Minutes of 7<sup>th</sup> BOS Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022

- Dr. P. Shetty introduced the members of the newly constituted BOS and thanked Dr. Namboothiri and Dr. Kothurkar for agreeing to continue for one more term.
- Dr. P. Shetty informed that there were no major changes made in the current MSc Part I syllabus as we have a tie up with Jai Hind College for lectures and there was limited access to the reference books in the lockdown period.
- The changes introduced in different papers were specified to the panel and their suggestions were noted.
- Dr. Namboothiri suggested rearrangement of units in organic chemistry paper. To begin with theoretical aspects in unit I, followed by physical organic chemistry, stereochemistry, nucleophilic and electrophilic substitution reactions, and semester II could contain the units covering applications. He also suggested a similar rearrangement in physical chemistry paper.
- Dr. P. Shetty mentioned that since there was no communication from the university regarding VC's nominee, this syllabus has already been implemented for this academic year and hence we could bring in the required changes only by next year.
- Ms. L. Jeysus elaborated on the IA format and mentioned about the change in MSc semester III, paper IV elective. The change in the duration of SEE examination for BSc and MSc students due to application based questions and numerical problems in the question paper were also brought to their notice.
- Dr. Namboothiri suggested that after situation gets normalised, the MSc part-II students could be given research work for one semester, where they would work in college laboratory and an option to work in research labs in any other institute for the next semester, this would give them more exposure. He put forth the need to have 1 year project instead of 1 semester, at least for the ones who are interested in further studies.
- Dr. P. Shetty also added that our MSc part-II students of this academic year would be sent for training at FDA for a period of 3 months after their final examination.
- She also informed about the RUSA sponsored one credit course offered by the department in collaboration with Le Nest on "positive Health in women".
- Dr. Namboothiri suggested to include courses on communication skills. Dr. R. Patil suggested to include some ability or skill based courses or courses on intellectual property rights and Research methodology.
- Dr. Jyoti Patil was pleased to see a polarimetry experiment in the syllabus.
- Ms. Ankita Yadav suggested to have the literature review done after the literature survey so that no effort goes waste.

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