

Sophia College (Autonomous)

Board of Studies in Sociology

AGENDA for the Meeting on 3rd March, 2020

A meeting of the members of the Board of Studies in Sociology to be held on 03.03.2020 at 10.00 am in the Computer Lab 2.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- 1. To review the implementation of the changes suggested in the syllabi in the preceding meeting.**
- 2. To discuss the Internal Assessment (IA) system and to brainstorm about the new probable topics for Internal Assessment (IA).**

Department of Sociology

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES MEETING

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Date of Meeting: 3rd March 2020

Venue: Computer Lab 2

Time: 10 am to 1.00 pm

Members Present-

1. Dr. Perpetua Miranda (Chairperson, BoS)
2. Dr Anagha Tendulkar
3. Ms Shraddha Gaikwad
4. Dr. M T Joseph
5. Dr. Ranu Jain
6. Dr. Shanti Seshadri
7. Mr. Joseph Pereira
8. Ms Gayatri Maniar

Dr. Vibhuti Patel was unable to attend the meeting due to personal commitments.

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The Chairperson of the BoS Dr. Perpetua Miranda welcomed the BoS members, and the agenda of the meeting was stated.

a. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read out by Dr. Perpetua Miranda. The Minutes were proposed by Dr. Ranu Jain and seconded by Dr Shanti Seshadri.

b. Dr. P. Miranda informed the panel that the suggestions given by the BOS members with regard to the FYBA, SYBA and TYBA Sociology syllabi were incorporated in the current Semester.

c. Suggestions in the previous meeting were incorporated. For, Paper VIII, semester VI, in the Unit III Perspectives on social exclusion, the categories of differently abled, and sexual minorities (LGBTQ) were changed to senior citizens and refugees respectively. The title of Unit I in the same paper was changed to 'Intersectional Analysis of Social Exclusion'. The second unit topics were changed to Perspectives on Resistance and Ideologies of Resistance. Its title was A new objective, to comprehend citizenship, marginality and social exclusion was added.

II

a. The Internal Assessment (IA) policy for the department which consists of 20 marks project and 05 marks for atce was reviewed by the BOS members at the meeting and re-sanctioned.

b. Suggested Project topics for IA Internal Assessment were as follows:

Fyba : Paper I

- Survey commuters in Mumbai
- Mode of transport
- New trends of Use of monorail's (wedding, birthday parties)
- Public transport system
- Case studies – One day in the life of (Watchman, etc)
- Film review
- Essays on Sociologist
- Sociological Reflection on one's own routine (life)
- Analysis of proverbs (Malayalam, tulu)
- Visit to Nani park – Conversation or chat analysis
- Sociological analysis of conversation in local train compartment
- Social utility of "Gossip"
- Digital communities

- Cyber stalking (cyber cell)
- Cyber crime
- Eco tourism
- Slum tourism
- Jail tourism
- Environmental tourism
- New social media boon or bane
- Online shopping – business economy
- Occupational hazards
- Faceless employer

Syba :

Paper II :

- Work life balance
- Stress management
- Political awareness among students
- Dalit literature
- Literature in regional square
- Smart city Vs safe city
- Concept of development
- Increasing consumerism
- Development and consumerism
- Changing marriage practices
- Organ donation
- Body donation

Paper III :

- Analysis of a commercial film
- Trends in films
- Popularity of the kind of films
- Impact of Netflix , new forms of media
- Differences in the news telecast (on two different news channels)
- Portray of news (one particular news)
- “Something like a war, Can I see my baby bumps” (movie/documentary on population control policy, and on Surrogacy)
- Accessibility on good medical

Tyba :

Paper IV :

- Difference between functionalist and conflict theory
- Difference between the theories and similarities
- Departure from theories
- Theories by blacks and women
- Decolonising methods
- Subaltern studies
- Dalit studies
- Tribal studies
- Auto-ethnography
- Ethnography (one day field work)
- Importance of being an insider

Paper V-A

- Efficient work participation of women
- Unemployment
- Jobloss

- Artificial intelligence
- Possibility of losing job
- New forms of employment (trolls)
- I'm a troll
- Changing nature of work
- Monopolization of work
- Invisibilization of employer
- Skill India
- Faceless employer and exploitative working conditions
- Working from home and changing household relationship
- Neo liberalism and lack of permanent jobs
- Child labour and Education
- Self help groups
- Bonded labour
- RTI
- Local production Vs mass scale production

Paper V-B

- Kisan Card
- Farmers distress
- Quality of grains
- MAKAM Sangathan
- Genetically modified crops/ foods
- Biotechnology in Agriculture
- Liberalisation of agriculture
- Religious dynamics in agrarian society

- Rights of the cultivators
- Trafficking of children in agriculture
- Commercial agriculture
- Bonded labour in agriculture
- Workers in tomato cultivation (epw article)
- Fallacy of agrarian farming
- Nature of pesticides
- Sustainability of organic farming
- Fruits that look good may not be good

Paper VI :

- Transgenders people's act 2019
- Critique of transgender people's act
- We are not so equal
- Beyond gender binaries
- Politics of Gender diversity at workplace
- Customary laws in their own community
- Intercaste marriages
- Inter religious marriages
- City and protection of women
- Acid attacks
- POCSO

Paper VII :

- Recruitment
- Job evaluation
- (2two weeks in an organisation)

- Analyze the culture of HR
- Equal employment opportunity
- Labour rights and safety in work laws
- Understanding people as an HR
- Leadership
- Maternity Act 2017 and it's implementation
- Study on Maternity leave and treatment of women at workplace
- Diversity as a healthy practice
- Resolution of conflicts in different industries
- Employee relations
- Case study of Maruti

Paper VII :

- Right based movement
- Farmers movement
- Students movement
- Repressive state and student movement
- Long march of farmers
- Profile of Activism
- Citizens for justice and peace
- Movements and social change (does it have any change)
- Resistance to comedy
- Street theatre
- Cultural movements
- Popular culture and Movements
- Creative expressions in movement

- Social media movement
- Dalit feminism
- Poor minorities
- Subaltern studies
- Causes of Marginalization

Paper IX :

- Sanitation workers
- Nana Nani park
- Conversation analysis
- Analyzing whatsapp posting
- Gender audit
- Cultivation of vegetables on railway tracks
- Recycling workers
- One day in the life of
- Survey on eating habits of college students
- Ethnography of a mall
- Possibilities of project topics were discussed at length.

The meeting ended with the chair thanking the BoS members for their valuable time and insightful suggestions.

Name

Signature

1. Dr. Perpetua Miranda (Chairperson)

2. Dr. Anagha Tendulkar

3. Ms Shraddha Gaikwad

4. Dr. M T Joseph (Vice Chancellor's Nominee)

5. Dr. Vibhuti Patel

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