

**DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**  
**SOPHIA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)**  
**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES MEETING HELD ON 13<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2023**

The eleventh meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of English was held on 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, and it was attended by the following members:

1. Ms Jihasa Vachharajani: Chairperson, and Head, Department of English, Sophia College (Autonomous)
2. Dr Marie Fernandes: **VC's Nominee** – Principal, St Andrew's College, Mumbai
3. Ms Nishtha Dev: Member, Department of English, Sophia College (Autonomous)
4. Ms Samrita Sinha: Member, Department of English, Sophia College (Autonomous)
5. Dr Elwin Susan John: Member, Department of English, Sophia College (Autonomous)

The following members remained absent:

1. Prof Mala Pandurang: **Subject Expert** – Principal, Dr BMN College of Home Science (Autonomous), (SNDT University, Mumbai)
2. Mr Jeronimo Pinto: **Representative from the Industry or the Corporate Sector/Allied Area** – Writer
3. Dr Asha Achuthan: **Subject Expert** – Associate Professor, Tata Institute of Social Sciences
4. Ms Prerana Patel: **Post-Graduate Meritorious Alumna** – Ph.D scholar, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at IIT Bombay

The minutes of the tenth meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department of English, Sophia College (Autonomous), held on June 15, 2023, were read and passed unanimously.

The changes to be made to the syllabi of the FYBA courses for Semester II formulated as per the NEP 2020 guidelines were discussed.

Ms Vachharajani explained the assessment pattern for the FYBA NEP courses to the members.

Dr Fernandes suggested that the course content of the FYBA Vocational Skill Course be revised to make it more skill oriented/based.

Ms Vachharajani presented the course content and the assessment pattern of the add-on course for the academic year 2023-24 titled "Introduction to Urban Studies" to the members. She informed members that Ms Samrita Sinha was the course coordinator for the add-on course for the academic year 2023-24.

Ms Vachharajani informed the board that the next BoS meeting would be conducted in the offline mode.

The meeting then ended with the Chairperson extending warm thanks, on behalf of the Department, to the external members of the Board of Studies for their generous expenditure of time, energy and thought.