Minutes of the 6th Academic Council (AC) meeting of Shiv Nadar (Institution of Eminence Deemed to be University), held on Friday, 24 May 2024, from 1100-1130 Hrs. (Online MS Team)

The 6th Meeting of the Academic Council (AC) of **'Shiv Nadar IoE',** was held on Friday, 24 May 2024, from 1100-1130 Hrs. (Online MS Team). The following members were present in the meeting:

S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Dr. Ananya Mukherjee	Vice-Chancellor
2.	Dr. Suneet Tuli	Dean & Professor, School of Engineering (SoE); Dean, Research & Partnerships
3.	Dr. Rajat Kathuria	Dean & Professor, School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SoHSS)
4.	Dr. Sanjeev Galande	Dean & Professor, School of Natural Sciences (SoNS)
5.	Dr. Vinod Sharma	Professor & Head (Interim), Department of Electrical Engineering, SoE
6.	Dr. Harpreet Singh Arora	Professor & Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering, SoE
7.	Dr. Dolly Sharma	Associate Professor & Head, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, SoE
8.	Dr. Gyan Vikash	Associate Professor & Head, Department of Civil Engineering, SoE
9.	Dr. Sanjeev Yadav	Associate Professor & Head, Department of Chemical Engineering, SoE
10.	Dr. Sambudha Sen	Senior Professor & Head, Department of English, SoHSS
11.	Dr. Yasmeen Arif	Professor & Head, Department of Sociology, SoHSS
12.	Dr. Mandar Prafullachandra Oak	Professor & Head, Department of Economics, SoHSS
13.	Prof. Atul Bhalla	Professor & Head, Department of Art, Media & Performance, SoHSS
14.	Dr. Anubhuti Maurya	Associate Professor & Head, Department of History & Archaeology, SoHSS
15.	Prof. Colin Christopher Jamora	Senior Professor and Head, Department of Life Sciences, SoNS
16.	Dr. Susanta Sinha Roy	Professor & Head, Department of Physics, SoNS
17.	Dr. Bimlesh Lochab	Professor & Head, Department of Chemistry, SoNS
18.	Mr. Sudhir Naudiyal	Registrar, Non- Member Secretary

The following members could not attend the meeting:

S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Dr. Sundaravaradhan Venkatesh	Dean & Professor, School of Management and Entrepreneurship (SoME)
2.	Dr. Partha Chatterjee	Dean of Academics; Professor, Department of Economics
3.	Dr. Sudeepto Bhattacharya	Professor & Head, Department of Mathematics, SoNS
4.	Dr. Atul Mishra	Associate Professor & Head, Department of IRGS, SoHSS

On behalf of Dr. Sundaravaradhan Venkatesh, Dr. Jaideep Ghosh, Professor, represented the School of Management and Entrepreneurship (SoME).

Special Invitees who have attended the meeting:

S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Dr. Rajeev Kumar Singh	Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, SoE
2.	Dr. Ajit Kumar	Assistant Dean; Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, SoNS
3.	Dr. Ankur Mehra	Assistant Dean; Assistant Professor, SoME
4.	Dr. Shabana Mitra	Assistant Dean; Associate Professor, Department of Economics, SoHSS

Item No. 1   **To discuss International partnership with Arizona State University for starting of dual degree programs: (i) BS in Computer Science and (ii) BS in Business Data Analytics**

Dr. Rajeev Kumar Singh presented before the Academic Council the proposal to have an International partnership with Arizona State University (ASU) for starting of dual degree programs. He briefed about the importance of the internationalization of Shiv Nadar IoE to achieve top global ranking, keeping in mind the UGC's revised mandate that allows the offering of a dual degree and other kinds of programs with foreign partners. He further explained that the programs are 2 + 2 dual degree programs, and the students will get two degrees, one from Shiv Nadar IoE and the other from ASU. Students will study at Shiv Nadar IoE for two years and then join ASU for the next two years. The partnership will enhance the opportunity for students to gain more experience globally, get a chance to study from a pool of international faculty and learn a variety of courses not offered in Shiv Nadar IoE. It will also give opportunities for faculty development, curriculum, and enhanced student's experience.

He further stated that over the past few years, many students have attended US universities and institutions for undergraduate studies, especially in Computer Science and Business Data Analytics. Hence, Shiv Nadar IoE can leverage the opportunity of such programs with US universities and students can benefit from cost-effective education. The advantage of these programs is that they are STEM programs and students will get Optional Practical Training (OPT) for around three years and access to global career Services.

He also explained the ranking and other characteristics of ASU. The Vice Chancellor, in between, said that ASU is a public university and is less expensive than other private universities.

Dr. Rajeev Kumar Singh further explained the features of two undergraduate programs to be partnered with ASU i.e. **(i) BS Computer Sciences (ii) BS Data Analytics**, its overview, credit distribution, credit transfer process, modality, loan availability, aim, accreditation, work permit, career opportunity etc.

The members have appreciated the effort made by the Vice Chancellor and opined that these partnerships with internationally acclaimed universities will benefit Shiv Nadar IoE to improve its ranking and accreditation nationally and globally. After a detailed discussion, the AC recommended the above-mentioned programs for implementation.

The details are annexed as **Annexure 1.**

Item No. 2   **To confirm the minutes of the 5th meeting of the Academic Council of the Shiv Nadar IOE held on 8 February 2024**

The minutes of the 5th meeting of the Academic Council of the Shiv Nadar IOE held on 8 February 2024, which were posted on the SNU Link https://snulinks.snu.edu.in/snuPolicies/ACM on 14 March 2024, were confirmed and attached as **Annexure 2**.

Item No. 3   **To report the list of Graduands who will be awarded degrees during the 10th Convocation of the Shiv Nadar IOE on 26 May 2024**

The Registrar placed before the table a list of 834 students (UG-687, PG-101, Integrated-4 & Ph.D.-42) received from the Office of Dean Academics, who are to be awarded the Degrees during the 10th Convocation of Shiv Nadar IOE on 26 May 2024. This was noted by the AC.

Please refer to **Annexure 3** for the final list.

Since there was no item to be discussed, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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