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Minutes of the second meeting of the Academic Council of the Sardar Patel University of Police, Security and Criminal Justice, Jodhpur held on 19th September, 2013 at 12.00 noon in the conference hall of BSF, Jodhpur.

The following members attended the meeting:

- I Shri M L Kumawat, IPS (Retd) Vice-Chancellor (in the Chair)
- II Dr Bhupendra Singh, IPS, Pro-Vice-Chancellor
- III Shri GS Rajagopal, IPS (Retd), Former Director, N.P.A.
- IV Shri K. Vijay Kumar, IPS (Retd), Former DG, CRPF
- V Mrs K. B. Vandana, IPS
- VI Dr Ajeet Singh Poonia, Associate Professor
- VII Dr Vinay Kaura, Assistant Professor
- VIII Mrs Nirmala Meena, Registrar (Member Secretary)

The following members could not attend the meeting due to their pre-occupations and prior commitments:

- I Shri V N Rai, IPS (Retd), Vice-Chancellor, Mahatama Gandhi Hindi International University
- II Shri Ashok Sampatram, Addl. Chief Secretary (Home Dept.), Govt. of Rajasthan
- II Shri Rajeeva Swarup, Principal Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of Rajasthan
- IV Shri B L Soni, IPS, Director, Rajasthan Police Academy

The Vice-Chancellor extended a warm welcome and thanked them for sparing valuable time to be here. He extended special welcome to Shri G S Rajagopal, IPS (Retd) and Shri K Vijay Kumar, IPS (Retd), who attended the meeting of the Academic Council for the first time.

The Vice-Chancellor apprised the Board Members about the objectives of the University and progress made so far. The Vice-Chancellor informed the Board Members that a Committee has been set-up to draft the Statutes and Ordinance of the University and it has been directed that the draft ordinances be ready before the next meeting of the Academic Council.

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The Vice Chancellor informed the Members that the University has started its first Academic Session 2013-14 from July 2013 and the following courses have been introduced:

- M A (Political Science) – 30 seats
- M S (Cyber Security) – 30 Seats
- Five Year Integrated Course in Social Sciences – 40 seats

University conducted entrance examination separately for each course. And after completing the admission process, the First Academic Session of the University commenced from 29th of July, 2013.

1. **Agenda Item no. 1:**

The Vice-Chancellor pointed out that the minutes of the last meeting have been circulated by the office and requested the Members for their comments, if any. As there were no comments, the Vice-Chancellor stated that it may be presumed the Minutes have been recorded correctly.

Resolution No. AC/2/1: Resolved that the Council confirmed the minutes of first meeting of the Academic Council

2. **Agenda Item No. 2:**

The Vice-Chancellor stated that the University has started its academic session and three academic programmes are already running. He also informed that M S (Cyber Security) and Five Year Integrated Course in Social Sciences have got good response and are running well. However, M A (Political Science) programme did not receive good response therefore, needed to be reconsidered/modified. In addition to the existing academic programmes, more such programmes are being planned for the forthcoming sessions keeping in view the objectives and mandate of the University. The Vice-Chancellor further mentioned that there is need to start some professional Centers to focus on areas pertaining to Police, Security and Criminal Justice as mandated in the objectives of our University.

Proposed New Courses for Master Degree:

- M A : International Relations (with emphasis on Conflict Resolution)
- M A Internal Security and Strategic Studies
- M A Police Studies (Distance Learning) possibly in collaboration with Rajasthan Police Academy, Jaipur
- M S Disaster Management
- M A Sociology (with specialization in Social Defense/Criminal Justice, Criminology)
- M A Social Defense and Gender Studies

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- M A: Intelligence Studies (for serving officers, in collaboration with Rajasthan Intelligence Academy)
- M A Gender Studies
- M A Economic Crimes and Counter Corruption Studies

Diploma and Certificate Courses:

- Road Safety
- Disaster Management
- Forensic Science and Forensic Medicine
- Police Studies

Centers of Studies:

- Center for Social Defence and Gender Studies

Vice-Chancellor informed the Board Members that Government of Rajasthan has sanctioned a Centre of Social Defence and Gender Studies to be established in the University.

In addition to this, following are the areas that we need as professional Centers in order to run executive programmes, research and extension activities and also offer consultancy services.

Proposed Centers:

1. Center for Road Safety
2. Center for Economic Crimes & Corruption Studies
3. Center for Innovations
4. Center for Distance Learning
5. Center for Peace and Conflict Studies
6. Center for Police Studies
7. Center for Applied & Professional Ethics
8. Center for Study for Boarder Management
9. Centre for Intelligence Studies and Analytics.
10. Center for Research and Publications
11. Center for Language & Communications Skills
12. Center for Vicitmology Studies
13. Center for Correctional Studies
14. Center for Public Safety & Disaster Management
15. Center for Human Rights
16. Center for Cyber Security

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These Centers will complement the academic faculties. Some of the Centers can work directly in collaboration with a single faculty while others can work as stand alone interdisciplinary Centers.

As of now, there is no administrative set-up or budgetary provision for such Centers. These centers can be run in self-financing mode. However, in order to begin and incubate these Centers we may give some money from the University corpus as a grant or loan. These Centers can be run by known/eminant professionals who are willing to work with us on these matters.

Vice-Chancellor informed that he has already appointed a Committee to identify suitable persons who can advise in such matters and constitute respective Advisory Committees as resolved in the last meeting of the Board of Management in Centre for Social Defence and Gender Studies.

Vice-Chancellor also informed the Board Members that University is planning to start 'Distance Education programme' in near future.

He stated that over the last few years, there has been a worldwide movement for complementing and supplementing campus education with online learning' Accordingly an increased emphasis is being laid on what is termed as massive open online course (MOOC), which is a recent development in distance education. MOOC is an online course aimed at large scale interactive participation and open accessed via the web in addition to traditional course material such as videos, readings and problem sets, MOOCs provide interactive user forums that help build a community for the students, professors and teaching assistants (TAs)' one of the important objectives of the university is promotion of education' skills among youth' citizens and working professionals in the domains related to policing, security and criminal justice. SPUP is striving to establish an infrastructural platform for imparting online learning based on the MOOC model to promote the idea of "need based education" incorporating the principle of flexibility, accessibility, approachability and affordability'

The rational for the SPUP online may be broadly stated as below

1. Learning while working.
2. Addressing the issues of asymmetries in opportunities.
3. Highly cost efficient in comparison to Campus education therefore high accessibility.
4. Flexibility to busy professionals by providing them a complementary platform and desired solutions.
5. Helping students integrate in their professional life and matching with employs of best fit.

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Beneficiaries:

- Professionals in the area of policing, security and criminal justice, managers, researchers, educationist in the area can upgrades their skills and knowledge.
- Students at distant locations.
- Connecting SPUP students with employers of best match.
- Individuals of our Country and from around the world.

Vice-Chancellor informed that to facilitate in various disciplines of police, security and criminal justice, Social Science and Humanities, Science Technology and Forensic Studies, Directorate of Research will be established in the University. The students will be admitted as per UGC norms and facilities will be developed for smooth conduct of quality research.

Resolution No. AC/2/2: Resolved that the proposal for starting new courses and professional centers from December, 2013 be accepted and to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to constitute an Advisory Committees of experts to establish the various professional Centers, Distance Education Programme and Directorate of Research in the University.

Vice-Chancellor also informed the Members of the Committee that the University has signed MOU with Indian Institute of Technology, Jodhpur, and plans to develop similar collaboration with Rajasthan Police Academy, Jaipur, Rajasthan Intelligence Training Academy, Jaipur, Gujarat Forensic Science University and other such institutions.

The Academic Council members expressed its satisfaction on the progress made in the establishment of the University so far. In particular, the Academic Council put on record its appreciation and commendations for the Vice Chancellor and his small team for preparing an excellent Vision Document and Strategic Plan of the University in such a short period of time. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



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