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To,

The Chairperson and all the Members of
Academic Programme Committee
Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya,
Sagar (M.P.) 470003

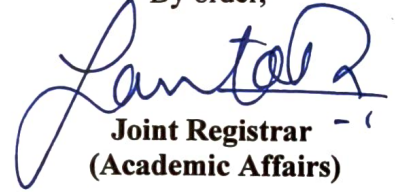
Sub: Minutes of 62nd Emergent Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee (APC) held on 29 September, 2026.

Respected Sir/Madam,

This is to inform that 62nd Emergent Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee (APC) was held on 29 September, 2026 in the Gour Samiti Kaksha, New Administrative Building of the Vishwavidyalaya.

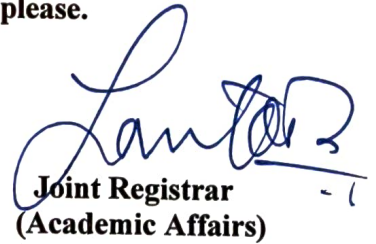
The approved copy of the Minutes is enclosed for perusal and necessary action please.

By order,


Joint Registrar
(Academic Affairs)

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1. All Head of the Departments.
2. All Special Invitees.
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Joint Registrar
(Academic Affairs)

Doctor Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar (M.P.)
(A Central University)



**Minutes of the 62nd Emergent Meeting of the
Academic Programme Committee (APC)**

- **Date:** 29 September, 2026
- **Time:** 04:00 PM
- **Venue:** Gour Samiti Kaksh, New Administrative Building.
- **Members Present:**

1. Prof. Y. S. Thakur	Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor (Offg.) and Chairperson, APC
2. Prof. Nagesh Dubey	Dean, HSS
3. Prof. Mamta Patel	Dean, SAS
4. Prof. Deepak Vyas	Dean, SBS
5. Prof. R. K. Gangele	Dean, MPS
6. Prof. Rashmi Singh	Dean, SOL
7. Dr. Balwant Singh Bhadoria	Dean, AIS
8. Prof. D. K. Nema	DSW
9. Prof. Ajeet Jaiswal	DoFA
10. Prof. Manvinder Singh Pahwa	Dean, SCM & DoAA
11. Shri Santosh Sohgaura	Joint Registrar, Academic Affairs and Secretary, APC
- **Special Invitees:**

1. Prof. A. K. Singh	Chief Coordinator, Admission Cell
2. Shri Satish Kumar	Deputy Registrar, Exam Section
3. Shri Brijbhushan Singh	Law Officer
- **Leave of Absence:**

1. Prof. Versha Sharma	Senior Most Professor
2. Prof. Asmita Gajbhiye	Dean, EAT
3. Prof. Anil Kumar Jain	Dean, SES
4. Prof. Vijay Verma	Dean, SCT
5. Prof. Himanshu Pandey	Dean, School of Law
6. Dr. S. P. Upadhyay	Controller of Examinations (I/c)
7. Dr. Abhishek Bansal	Co-coordinator, Admission Cell

Prof. Manvinder Singh Pahwa, Director, Academic Affairs (DoAA), extended a cordial welcome to the Chairperson and all the esteemed Members of the APC, and expressed his sincere appreciation for their gracious presence.

Thereafter, Shri Santosh Sohgaura, Joint Registrar, Academic Affairs & Secretary, APC, formally placed the agenda items before the Committee for discussion and deliberation, as detailed below:

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APC:EM:62:01 Matter regarding the conduct of a Special End Term Examination under "Special Provisions for Students in the Last Semester of a Programme" of Ordinance 22(A) in light of the directions of the Hon'ble High Court, Jabalpur dated 22.09.2026 in W.P. No. 36406/2026 (Roshan Sharma and Others Versus Union of India and Others).

Shri Roshan Sharma, a student of M.Sc. Mathematics, along with other students of the Vishwavidyalaya who secured an "F" grade in the final semester of their M.Sc. Mathematics programme, filed Writ Petition No. 36406 of 2026 before the Hon'ble High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Jabalpur under Article 226 of the Constitution of India.

The matter pertains to Clause No. 81 of Vishwavidyalaya Ordinance 22(A), titled "**Medium of Instruction, Management of Academic Programmes, Examination, Evaluation and Grading System for Programmes of Studies Other than the Research Degree Programme**", specifically the provision concerning "**Special Provisions for Students in the Last Semester of a Programme**," which reads as follows:

"Provided further that if the student gets 'F' grade in any course in the last semester of a Programme of Study, in such a case, the University shall make arrangement to hold special End Term Examination in that course only within one month of the declaration of the result of last semester of that Programme of Study. Provided, further that in case of extraordinary exigency, the Academic Program Committee may decide to get special end-semester examination conducted."

The Hon'ble High Court, vide its Order dated 22.09.2026, was pleased to dispose of the petition without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, issuing the following directions:

"Considering the statement made by the respondent/University, without expressing anything on the merit of the case, the present petition stands disposed of with a direction that if the petitioner prefers a representation afresh before the Academic Programme Committee of respondent No.2 within a period of 7 days from today, the Academic Programme Committee of respondent No.2 shall take decision thereon within a further period of three weeks by passing a well-reasoned and speaking order in accordance with law"

In compliance with the Hon'ble Court's directives, the petitioners have submitted a representation dated 25.09.2026 requesting permission to appear in the Special End Term Examination for the courses in which they were awarded an "F" Grade, in pursuant to Clause No. 81, and for subsequent consequential steps regarding the declaration of their final M.Sc. results, in accordance with the applicable ordinances and rules.

The matter is placed before the Academic Programme Committee (APC) for appropriate directions, in light of the order passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Madhya Pradesh at Jabalpur.

Resolution: The Academic Programme Committee (APC) deliberated on the agenda item in detail. During the meeting, Shri. Satish Kumar, Deputy Registrar (Examination Section) apprised the Committee of the background of the matter, the subsequent proceedings, and the recommendations of the Results Committee.

After due deliberation and careful consideration of Clauses 78, 80, and 81 of Vishwavidyalaya Ordinance 22(A), the APC resolved to process and consider the matter



in accordance with the provisions of Clause 81 of Ordinance 22(A), treating the same as an extraordinary exigency.

Further, the APC directed the Examination Section to take necessary action on the matter and complete the requisite process within one month from the date of the release of these minutes.

Recognizing the challenges experienced by students under these circumstances, the APC further recommended that the university may appropriately amend Ordinance 22(A) for presentation to the statutory authorities (the Academic Council and Executive Council) for consideration and direction. Furthermore, a dedicated committee should be constituted to submit its recommendations regarding this matter as well as potential amendments to other academic ordinances, if any.

(Action: Controller of Examinations (I/c), Registrar & DoAA)

APC:EM:62:02 Matter regarding the delay in the submission of the D.Litt. thesis by Prof. Prashant Salwan (Y19682001), Department of Business Management.

The matter concerns the submission of the thesis for the D.Litt. Programme of Prof. Prashant Salwan (Y19682001), who was registered on 07.01.2021 in the Department of Business Management under the advisorship of Prof. Y.S. Thakur, Dept. of Business Management.

As per Clause No. 5.2 of Vishwavidyalaya Ordinance 23(B) states that- ***"The candidate may submit the thesis after two years from the date of admission. He/she must submit the thesis within five years from the date of admission otherwise his/her candidature shall be cancelled."***

Accordingly, his five-year period expired on 07.01.2026. Subsequently, when the matter was placed in the 59th Emergent Meeting of the APC held on 05.05.2026 under Agenda Item No. APC: EM:59:01, the APC resolved as under:

"The APC, after detailed deliberations and a comprehensive review of the administrative history of the case including the candidate's pre-submission presentation to the BoS and the formal admission letter issued by the Registrar, resolved to acknowledge the procedural delays which led to the expiry of the five-year submission window under Ordinance 23(B).

In view of these specific circumstances, the Committee resolved to grant final extension of three months from the date of issuance of these minutes for the submission of the D.Litt. thesis by Prof. Prashant Salwan, subject to the completion of all procedural and mandatory formalities as stipulated in the relevant Ordinance.

It was explicitly clarified that this relaxation is granted as an exceptional one time measure due to the unique administrative timeline of the case and shall not be cited as a precedent in any future matters."

Pursuant to the aforementioned resolution, Prof. Salwan was granted a final three-month extension to submit his thesis, effective from 13.05.2026 to 13.08.2026. However, he was unable to submit the thesis within this period. Subsequently, through an application dated 24.09.2026 addressed to the Head of the Department of Business Management, Prof. Salwan explained that the delay was caused by the demise of his maternal uncle and subsequent his severe health complications embedded with high work pressure.



Consequently, he pleaded for mercy to the Head/APC to grant special permission to submit his D.Litt. thesis beyond the sanctioned extension period.

Since the aforesaid period of three months granted by the APC has already expired, the Head, Department of Business Management has forwarded the matter vide letter dated 28.09.2026 to place it before the APC for seeking further directions.

The matter is accordingly placed before the APC for an appropriate decision.

Resolution: After due deliberation and consideration of the representation submitted by Prof. Prashant Salwan, the APC resolved to grant him a final opportunity to submit his D.Litt. thesis within 15 days from the date of communication of this resolution, subject to his completion of all prescribed requirements and submission of requisite documents in accordance with the applicable Ordinance.

This opportunity shall be treated as a one-time final extension. No further extension shall be granted.

(Action: HoD, Business Management & Concerned Candidate)

APC:EM:62:03 Proposal to remove and relocate the combination of subjects (GAP, GAF & PYA) from the list of the School of Biological Sciences (SBS).

The Dean, School of Biological Sciences (SBS), vide his letter dated 28.09.2026, has proposed that the combination of subjects (GAP, GAF & PYA) currently included under the UG Programme Admission Brochure—which does not fall within the academic purview of the School of Biological Sciences—should be removed and relocated from the SBS list to the other concerned Schools. This adjustment aims to ensure that the brochure accurately reflects the academic structure and subject-wise responsibilities of the respective Schools and Departments.

It is noteworthy that this matter was earlier placed before and approved by the School Board of the SBS in its meeting held on 16.12.2023.

The matter is accordingly placed before the Academic Programme Committee (APC) for an appropriate decision.

Resolution: After due deliberation, the APC approved the recommendations of the School of Biological Sciences concerning the relocation of the subject combination (GAP, GAF & PYA) from the School's offerings.

Additionally, the APC directed the Admission Cell and concerned Deans to review existing UG subject combinations, ensuring their accuracy and proper alignment with respective Schools and disciplines starting from the next academic session.

(Action: Chief Coordinator, Central Admission Cell and Concerned Dean of Schools)

APC:EM:62:04 Any other matter with the permission of Chair.

Following agenda items were taken up for discussion and deliberation:

- (a) Matter regarding the conversion of Vacant Reserved Category Seats to Unreserved Category Seats for Admissions in Academic Session 2026-27.



Resolution:

After due deliberation, the APC resolved that the matter regarding the conversion of vacant Reserved Category seats to Unreserved (UR) Category seats, which was previously placed before the 57th Emergent Meeting of the APC under Agenda Item No. APC: EM:57:01 shall be considered for conversion for admissions in Academic Session 2026–27.

This process shall be carried out in strict accordance with the provisions of the Amended Ordinance-44, titled "RESERVATION OF SEATS AND OTHER SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR ADMISSION."

(Action: Chief Coordinator, Central Admission Cell)

- (b) Matter Regarding Continuation of Students with Backlogs in Previous Semesters into the Seventh Semester under the Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUP).

Resolution:

Following due deliberations, the Academic Planning Committee (APC) resolved that undergraduate students enrolled under the Four-Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUP) with backlogs from previous semesters shall be permitted to proceed to the Seventh semester, in accordance with existing regulations/rules.

(Action: All Deans of Schools & HoDs)

- (c) Matter regarding the Maximum Duration for Ph.D. Thesis Submission following the Pre-Submission Seminar.

As per Clause 17 of Ordinance 23(A) of the Vishwavidyalaya, a research scholar is required to deliver a Pre-Submission Seminar before the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) at least two months prior to the intended date of submission of the Ph.D. thesis.

However, the existing provisions of the Ordinance do not prescribe a maximum time limit within which the thesis is required to be submitted after the successful completion of the Pre-Submission Seminar. The absence of a stipulated time limit may result in delays in thesis submission and may also create administrative difficulties in monitoring the progress of research scholars.

The matter was also placed before the APC during 59th Emergent Meeting of under Agenda Item No. APC: EM: 59:03.

Resolution:

The APC after due deliberations and in continuation of the resolution passed in the 59th Emergent Meeting of the APC, resolved that if the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) recommends the candidate for final submission of the Ph.D. thesis at the Pre-Submission Seminar, the candidate shall be required to submit the thesis within six months from the date of the Pre-Submission Seminar, including the mandatory two-month period, as prescribed under Clause 17 of Ordinance 23(A).

(Action: All HoDs)



Joint Registrar

Academic Affairs & Secretary, APC