

**Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 23 December 2016, at 11.00 am**

**Venue: Conference Hall, Mewar University, Gangrar, Chittorgarh**

**Present:**

1. Dr. Ashok Kumar Gadiya, Chancellor/ Chairman of Mewar University.
2. Prof. V. N. Rajasekharan Pillai, Chairman of the Academic Council.
3. Shri. Govind Lal Gadiya, BoM Member
4. Shri. R. K. Gadia, BoM Member
5. Dr. Vasu Deo Ramrakhiani, BoM Member
6. Prof. T. N. Mathur, Pro-President
7. Dr. H. S. Sharma, Pro-President
8. Dr. Asheesh Shah, Pro-President
9. Dr. Alka Aggarwal, Dean, Faculty of Management & Member BoM
10. Prof. R. K. Paliwal, Dean, Faculty of Science
11. Prof. R. C. Tiwari, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture
12. Prof. Mohini Acharya, Dean, Faculty of Education
13. Sh. D. K. Sharma, Dean, Faculty of Engineering
14. Prof. P. Geetha, Dean, Faculty of Humanities
15. Dr. Ishthiaque Ahamed, Dean, Faculty of Law
16. Prof. Vir Bahadur Singh, Ex-Vice-Chancellor, MPUAT, Udaipur
17. Dr. P. L. Maliwal, Ex-Director, Research, MPUAT, Udaipur.
18. Prof. V. K. Vaidya, Ex-PG Professor & Principal, Bhilwara Govt College
19. Prof. D. C. Gokhroo, Ex-PG Professor in Mathematics, Bhilwara Govt College
20. Prof. S. L. Kakhani, Ex-PG Professor in Physics, Govt College,.....
21. Dr. Divya Rashmi Tanwar, VIPS, Pitampura, New Delhi
22. Dr. S. L. Mundra, Professor, MPUAT, Udaipur
23. Dr. A. K. Gautam, Professor of Law
24. Smt. Priyanka Gautam, Director, Diploma, Mewar Univ.
25. Dr. Naresh Kumar, Director, Research, Mewar Univ.
26. Dr. Ravi Kant, Director, Applied Research, Mewar Univ.
27. Dr. S. A. Mehdi, Controller of Examinations, Mewar Univ.
28. Sh. Harish Gurnani, Director, Placement & Training, Mewar Univ
29. Ms. Vandana Chundawat, HoD-English Dept
30. Ms. Vandana Malviya, HOD, Mathematics, MU
31. Ms. Shalinee Gupta, HoD, Chem. Engg. Dept, MU.
32. Ms. Shilpa Jangid, HoD, ECE Dept, MU
33. Ms. Ganga Biswa, HoD, Mining Engg Dept, MU.
34. Dr. Vishnu K. Solanki, HoD, Forestry, MU.
35. Sh. Aziz Ahmed, HoD, Pharmacy Dept, MU.
36. Dr. R.C. Dhaker, HoD, Agriculture Dept, MU
37. Ms. Asha Rawat, HoD, Law, MU
38. Dr. Sonia Singla, Dept of Fashion Design, MU
39. Sh. B.L. Pal, HoD, CSE, Mewar Univ.
40. Sh. V. Siva Brahmaiah, HoD, EE Dept, MU
41. Sh. Kapil Nahar, HoD, Mech. Engg., MU
42. Sh. Ajay Kumar, HoD, Computer Applications Dept, MU.
43. Sh. Amit Sen, HoD, Biotechnology, MU

44. Sh Esar Ahmad, HoD, Civil Engg Dept, MU
45. Dr. Gulzar Ahmed, HoD, Physics Dept, MU.
46. Sh Rajesh Bhatt, HoD, Management Dept, MU
47. Dr. Subodh Nalwaya, Commerce Dept, MU
48. Dr. Ajit Joshi, HoD, Chemistry, MU.
49. Dr. Ravindra Kumar, HoD, MSW, MU.
50. Sh H. Widhani, Registrar-in-Charge of Mewar University, served as Secretary to the Meeting of the Academic Council, in the absence of the Regular Registrar, Shri. Govind Singh Charan.

The following members could not attend the meeting due to other unavoidable commitments elsewhere: Dr. Anil Kr. Mishra, DRDO, New Delhi; Dr. Shiv Kumar, Solid State Physics Lab, New Delhi; Dr. Alok Mishra, BLSITM, Bahadurgarh; Dr. P. K. Jain, Udaipur; Prof. O.P.N. Ojha, Retd Principal, Govt College, Bhilwara; Prof. G. S. Rathore, MLSU, Udaipur; Prof. Anshu Dandia, Rajasthan Univ, Jaipur; Prof. G. I. Talesara, MLSU, Udaipur; Prof. Seema Mallik, Dept of English, MLSU, Udaipur;

The Fourth Meeting of the Academic Council was called to order by the President of the Mewar University as per Section 23 of the Mewar University Act, 2009.

The Chairperson of the Mewar University, Dr. Ashok Kumar Gadiya, in his address to the newly constituted Academic Council, highlighted the unique mandate of the Mewar University, for providing higher education to the people in the remote and rural areas of Rajasthan. He reminded the Academic Council that the policy of the University is to provide teaching, training, counselling, placement, and research of the highest quality. The importance of giving added focus to vocational and job-oriented courses in line with the "Skill India" programme under the direct supervision of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri. Narendra Modi, was also highlighted by the Chairperson of the University. The advantage of collaborating with Industrial establishments and regional/ national R& D institutes for effective and advanced practical training for the students was elaborated by the Chairperson. The Chairperson brought out the need of continuous training and capacity building for teachers at all levels. He proposed the establishment of an Advanced Institute of Training and Capacity Building of Teachers in the University. He also informed the Members of the Academic Council, that the BoM of Mewar University has already approved a resolution in its last meeting for starting such a centre in Mewar University. The Chairperson, proposed to the Academic Council that the admission to the various courses in Mewar University from the forthcoming session onwards may be through a Common National Level Entrance Test.

The Academic Council appreciated the proposals brought by the Chairperson of the Mewar University, and unanimously resolved (a) that Skill-Development Programmes be launched in all the Faculties under the University, (b) that an Advanced Capacity Building Institute for Teachers be started in the University, and (c) that from 2016-17 academic year onwards, admissions to various courses in the University, shall be through a National Level Entrance Test

**After this the following items as per the agenda notes were considered by the 4th Meeting of the Academic Council:**

**AC4-1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the Academic Council.**

The Secretary informed the Academic Council that the Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of the Academic Council held on 13 March 2014 had been circulated among the then members of the Academic Council, and that no comments or suggestions were received. The Chairman requested the Academic Council that the Minutes may be approved.

The Academic Council noted with concern that it was not in session for almost 3 years, while the norm is 3 or minimum 2 meetings in one year. With this noting, the Academic Council approved the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 March 2014.

#### **AC4-2: Action-Taken Report on the Minutes of the Meeting on 13 March 2014.**

The Secretary informed the Academic Council that the syllabi of the various courses were approved in the said meeting and the courses were run accordingly. The Chairman requested to note the Action-Taken Report by the Registrar.

The Academic Council noted the action taken reported by the Registrar.

#### **AC4-4: Constitution of the Academic Council Standing Committee (ACSC).**

Considering the fact that as per the University Act, Academic Council is the supreme academic decision-making and academic executive Body with regard to all matters on curriculum design, curriculum transactions, examinations, framing of ordinances and award of various degrees including Ph. D., and that the full meeting of the Academic Council is to meet atleast two times in a calendar year, it is therefore proposed that as per sub-sec (1) of Sec 7 of the Statutes, a Standing Committee of the Academic Council may be constituted by the Academic Council.

The Academic Council resolved to approve the proposal and resolved to constitute the ACSC with the following constitution for a period of 2 years:

- a) President of the University - Chairman
- b) Pro-Presidents of the University
- c) Deans of the University
- d) 3 External Members from the Academic Council who are University Professors in service or superannuated.
- e) Registrar of the University – Secretary

The Academic Council authorised the President to nominate the members under d) above. It was also resolved that as per Rules, any decision taken by the Chairman of the Academic Council or the ACSC, shall be placed for ratification in the next meeting of the Academic Council. The Terms of Reference of the ACSC shall be that of the Academic Council.

#### **AC4-5: Proposals from the Various Faculties/ Deans of the University.**

The President/ Vice-Chancellor informed the Academic Council that the Boards of Studies for all the Departments under the University have been reconstituted with more than 50% External members from other Universities and national institutes. The meetings of all the Boards were conducted during the Month of December 2016. The Heads of the various Departments who are Convenors of the Boards of Studies presented the specific academic issues pertaining to their Departments. The detailed recommendations of the various Boards were placed before the Academic Council.

The Academic Council considered the recommendations and approved the constitution and functions of the Departmental Examination Committees and Departmental Research Advisory Committees. The Minutes of the Boards of studies presented by the Conveners were noted and approved for implementation, subject to fulfillment of rules and regulations of the University and feasibility aspect of the program/courses/projects

- (a) Prof. R. C. Tiwari, Dean, Faculty of Agruculture, proposed starting of the following new programmes /courses: Bachelor in Agriculture Technology; B.Sc. and M.Sc. in Dairy and Food Technology; Diploma in Organic Farming.

The Academic Council approved the proposal. Prof. V. B. Singh suggested that necessary infrastructure shall be created and qualified teaching staff be appointed before starting any new course.

#### **AC4-6: Proposals from the Heads of Various Teaching and Non-Teaching Departments of the University**

- a) Sh Kapil Nahar, HoD Mechanical Engg, presented the recommendations of the BoS in Mechanical Engineering. He suggested conduct of seminars and subject-specific Conferences inviting eminent teachers and researchers to the University.
- b) Ms Shilpa Jangid, HoD, ECE, while presenting the BoS recommendations also suggested the conduct of Entrepreneurial Development Programmes, coordinated by the Department.
- c) Ms Shalinee Gupta, HoD, Chem Engg, presented the BoS recommendations and proposed starting of the B.Tech. Petrochemical Technology from the next academic session.
- d) Ms.Vandana Malviya, HoD, Mathematics, presented the BoS Minutes, and also placed the proposal of starting integrated PG course in Mathematics.
- e) Sh Aziz Ahmed, HoD, Pharmacy, presented the recommendations of the BoS and emphasised the need of starting different specialisations at the PG level with support from the pharmaceutical industry"
- f) Ms Asha Rawat, HoD, Law, proposed the introduction of Cyber Law Certificate and Diploma courses for service personnel.
- g) Sh Ajay Kumar, HoD, Computer Applications, proposed starting of M.Tech. and emphasised the need for upgrading the existing labs.
- h) Sh Siva Brahmaiah, HoD, EE, while presenting the recommendations of the BoS suggested the conduct of a minimum number of University level and State level conferences/ Seminars involving all engineering and technology departments.
- i) Dr. Sonia Singla, HoD, Humanities and Fashion Design, while presenting the BoS minutes in Economics, suggested the introduction of UG and PG courses in Economics and also certificate and diploma programmes in Fashion Design.
- j) Sh Rajesh Bhatt, HoD, Management, presented the recommendations of the BoS and suggested the launch of Executive MBA and Diploma Programmes in Leadership/Strategy/Planning.
- k) Dr. Ravindra Kumar, Depts of MSW and Psychology, presented the recommendations of the BoS and proposed the introduction of BA Psychology from the forthcoming academic session onwards.
- l) Ms Vandana Chundawat, HoD, English, while presenting the Minutes of the BoS, emphasised the need for appointing more teachers in the Department considering the workload.
- j) Prof. Mohini Acharya, Dean, Faculty of Education, suggested the starting of B.A- BEd, B.Sc-Bed and B.Com.-BEd, integrated programmes. She also emphasised the need for strengthening the infra structure of the Education Department.
- k) Sh B. L. Pal, HoD, CSE, presented the recommendations of the BoS and suggested conduct of state level seminars in the areas of interfaces of Computer Science with languages and basic sciences.
- l) Dr. Gulzar Ahmed, HoD, Physics while presenting the minutes of the BoS, emphasised the need of creating minimum facilities in instrumentation for PG and Ph. D. Research in the University.
- m) Dr. Ajit Joshi, HoD, Chemistry, presented the minutes of the BoS, and proposed creation of infrastructural facilities for undertaking sponsored research projects in the Dept.

- n) Ms Ganga Biswa, HoD Mining Engg Dept, while presenting the minutes of the BoS, emphasized the need of supporting teachers for participation in national seminars and conferences.
- o) Sh Avinesh Kumar, HoD, Civil Engg, presented the recommendations of the BoS and Suggested the conduct of interdepartmental seminars and faculty orientation programmes.
- p) Dr. R. C. Dhaker, HoD Agriculture, proposed new undergraduate and post-graduate programmes in Agriculture Technology.
- q) Dr. Vishnu K Solanki presented the minutes of the BoS in Forestry and Biotechnology and emphasised the need strengthening the Departments with minimum required core teaching staff.
- r) Ms Jaya Bharti, HoD, MLT, presented the recommendations of the BMLT BoS and proposed creation of minimum required facilities required for medical lab investigations.

The Academic Council appreciated the efforts and independent initiatives of the various Departments and approved the proposals, which need to be expedited looking at the financial viability and need analysis.

The Chairperson, Mewar University, while promising necessary support for all the proposals, emphasised the need of attracting more students for the various new courses. He felt that the Dept of Law need to be strengthened and the University should also try for coming under the National Law Entrance Test"

#### **AC4-7: Report on the Constitution of Various Faculties and Boards of Studies and their Meetings/Recommendations**

The President/Vice-Chancellor reported the constitution of the various Faculties in the University. The University order detailing the constitution of faculties, their functions and responsibilities was placed before the Academic Council.

The Academic Council noted the constitution of the various faculties(Annex.1) and approved the action taken.

#### **AC4-8: Constitution of the University Examination Board for Selection of Examiners (Annex.2)**

The Academic Council considered the proposal of constituting the University Examination Board/ Committee of Selection of Examiners in each subject or a group of allied subjects as below:

- a) President or the delegated Pro-President
- b) Dean of the concerned Faculty
- c) Chairman of the concerned Board of Studies
- d) 2 Other members from the concerned BoS or from the nominated panel by the BoS, selected by the President/delegated Pro-President.

The Academic Council approved the proposal and further resolved that all aspects of the Conduct of Examinations shall be governed as per the Ordinance stipulated under Section 30(e) of the Mewar University Act 2009. Proposal for the framing of the Ordinance under Section 30 (e) shall be placed before the Academic Council at the earliest. Till the ordinance is approved, all the examination related matters shall be with the approval of the University Examination Board in the concerned subject or a group of allied subjects.

#### **AC4-9: Recommendations of the Meetings of the Various Boards of Studies.**

The recommendations made in the following meetings of the BoS in various subjects were placed before the Academic Council. It was informed by the Chairpersons/ Convenors/Boards of Studies that these recommendations/minutes are being directly placed before the Academic Council, since the constitution of the various Faculties and their meetings are yet to take place. The Heads of Departments also informed the Academic Council, that research advisory committee and a broad panel of examiners for each subject have been recommended by the respective Boards of Studies. The Academic Council took note of decisions of the BoS in various subjects and approved the recommendations.

#### **AC4-10: Framing of Ordinances for various academic purposes - Proposal for Constitution of Drafting.**

As per Section 30(2) of the Mewar University Act, Ordinances over 10 academic functions need to be prepared by the Academic Council, and subsequently get it approved by the Board of Management and then by the State Government. It is proposed that approve necessary action to execute this task by formation of different committees

The Academic Council resolved to authorize the President to nominate members from among the Academic Council and to constitute various committees. The Registrar, Controller of Examinations, or Director of Research shall be the Conveners of these committees, depending on the subject matter is whether academic administration, examination, or research, as the case may be. The draft ordinances after the approval by the Academic Council, shall be placed before The BOM and then sent to the State Government.

#### **AC4-11: Qualifications of Teachers for Appointment and Promotion.**

The Proposals for adopting the qualifications, procedure and norms of appointment and promotion of teachers at the levels of Assistant Professors, Associate Professors and Professors in the University as per UGC, AICTE, ICAR, NCTE, Bar Council, and Pharmacy Council regulations were placed before the Academic Council.

The proposals were considered by the Academic Council and resolved, (a) to adopt the latest UGC regulations for appointment and promotion of teachers in general subjects under the Faculties of Arts, Science, Humanities, Languages, Commerce, and Social Sciences; (b) to adopt the AICTE regulations for teachers coming under the Faculties of Engineering, Technology, and Management; (b) to adopt the NCTE regulations for teachers under the Faculty of Education; (c) to adopt the ICAR regulations for teachers coming under the Faculties of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences; (d) to adopt the BCI Regulations for teachers under the Faculty of Law/ Legal Studies; and (e) to adopt the Pharmacy Council of India Regulations for teachers under the Faculty of Pharmacy.

#### **AC4-12: Implementation of UGC Regulations 2016 for Ensuring Minimum Standards and Procedure for Awards of M. Phil/Ph.D. Degree**

The BoM of the Mewar University, in its Meeting held on 12 November 2016 has resolved to adopt the UGC 2016 Regulations for ensuring minimum standards and procedure for award of M. Phil. and Ph. D. research degrees. There are also ICAR Regulations for Ph. D. degrees in the Faculty of Agriculture. It is proposed that (a) these Regulations for the Award of M. Phil./ Ph. D. degrees may be approved by the Academic Council for implementation in the University, and (b) the attached Checklist, for verification and compliance of all the mandatory steps from Registration to the Award of the Ph.D. Degree in the Convocation, may be considered for implementation.

The Academic Council resolved to implement UGC Regulations 2016 for M. Phil. and Ph. D. Degrees and the ICAR Regulations for the award of research degrees including Ph. D. in the Faculty of Agriculture. The Academic Council also resolved to develop rigorous quality control mechanisms for ensuring the quality of the research publications coming out as part of the mandatory requirements for submission of the Ph.D. The Academic Council cautioned about the dangers posed by the rising number of fake research journals of obscure origin, in the mad rush for getting papers published somehow. In this context it was resolved, that each Faculty in the

University shall maintain an approved broad list of credible research journals of standing and repute. New journals can be added to this list through a quality assessment process instituted by the Board of Studies in each subject and/or by the Departmental Research Advisory Committee. With these additional suggestions, the Academic Council resolved to approve the proposed checklist for ensuring that all the mandatory steps in the different stages of Ph.D. research are complied with.

#### **AC4-13: Constitution of Research Advisory Council for the University.**

The proposal of instituting a Research Advisory Council, consisting of nationally and internationally renowned and recognised researchers in the subject areas relevant to Mewar University was placed before the Academic Council. The Chairman, Mewar University has informed that Distinguished Computer Scientist, Prof. Vijay Bhatkar, who designed the First Super Computer for India, who is also the President of Vigyan Bharati, has accepted his invitation to be the Chairman of the proposed Research Advisory Council of the University. It was also informed that Departmental Research Advisory Committees are there with external experts. The Academic Council approved the proposal of constituting the Research Advisory Council, involving eminent researchers of repute, under the Chairmanship of Prof. Vijay Bhatkar. The Council may have approximately 15-20 research Scientists/ research professors of reputation, working or retired from State/Central Universities or national research establishments. The President/ Vice-Chancellor is authorised to nominate the members for the research advisory council, under intimation to the Chancellor/ Chairperson of Mewar University.

#### **AC4-14: Constitution of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) following NAAC Guidelines.**

Prof. T. N. Mathur informed the Academic Council, that the University has constituted an Internal Quality Assurance Cell following the NAAC guidelines. The relevant order incorporating the constitution of the cell and its functions was placed before the Academic Council.

The Academic Council appreciated this quality intervention by the University, and emphasised its relevance in particularly getting top national accreditation. The Academic Council also directed the University administration to submit itself for NAAC accreditation and thereby prepare the ground for 12B recognition by the UGC.

The Academic Council approved the constitution of IQAC and recommended to place the periodic reports of the IQAC in the subsequent meeting of the ACSC and/or the Academic Council, as the case may be.

#### **AC4-15: Framing Regulations for Curbing Plagiarism and Unethical Practices in Research**

The Academic Council resolved that appropriate Regulations need to be framed for curbing plagiarism and other unethical practices in Research in the University at all levels. The Committee of Deans in the University along with 3-4 other external experts may be authorised to draft the Regulations and place it before the next meeting of the Academic Council for its consideration and approval.

#### **AC4-16: Admission for Academic Session 2017-18: Consideration of Seat Matrix, Fees, Eligibility for different courses and Programmes.**

The details for admission for the academic session 2017-18 to the various undergraduate and post-graduate programmes, including the new programs proposed by the latest Boards of Studies meetings held in Nov-Dec 2016 were considered and approved by the Academic Council. The proposals, as such, were approved by the Academic Council for implementation with effect from the 2017-18 academic session. The Academic Council also approved the suggestion of offering the various undergraduate, post-graduate programs in the Faculty of Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences & Commerce in Hindi Medium also considering the mandate of the University to provide higher education and skill development opportunities in the rural areas of Rajasthan, in particular.

**The following additional agenda items and items tabled are numbered consecutively to the Main Agenda items:**

**AC4 -17: Recognition of Adeeb (Xth Standard) and Adeeb-E-Mahir (XIIth standard) from Jamia Urdu, Aligarh as qualifying examinations for admission to entry level programmes in Mewar University**

**The Academic Council considered the proposal and resolved to approve the same.**

**AC4-18: Proposal for an institutionalized system for compulsory monthly interaction of top administration of the University with the Teaching Staff, and declaring one day in a month as non-teaching Working Day for Teachers.**

The Chairman proposed before the Academic Council that there has to be a regular mechanism in the University for continuous dialogue, interaction and feedback between the teaching staff of the University and the top administration. This should ensure the presence of all the teachers in the University. Since on all working days almost all the teachers are engaged with classes and other assigned teaching responsibilities, it was suggested that one working day in every month as declared as "No-Class Working Day for Teachers". Students need to be present in the University on this day, doing self-study, group study, and library work, in their respective class rooms.

The Academic Council approved this proposal and accepted the proposal of dedicating the FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH for this purpose. If this day happens to be a holiday, the next working day shall be assigned for this purpose.

**AC4-19: Revision of Fees for obtaining degrees and diplomas, in absentia.**

The proposal was placed before the Academic Council and it was resolved to refer it to the Fee-Fixation Committee.

**AC4-20: Proposal for "Thathkal Pareeksha Yojna" in exceptional and genuine cases.**

It was placed before the Academic Council that there are cases of a few students in every examination session, who fail to fill in the examination form for unavoidable and genuine reasons, and they lose one semester for such reasons. It was therefore proposed that such candidates may be given opportunity for appearing for the examination, by charging a delay-condonation fee. This proposal entitled "Thathkal Pareeksha Yojna" was placed before the Academic Council.

The Academic Council considered the proposal and resolved that the matter be referred to the University Examination Committee chaired by the Vice-Chancellor for appropriate decision and implementation.

**AC4- 21: Revised Training Options in the Final Semester of Engineering Programs.**

The Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, proposed a scheme of revised training options for final semester engineering students.

The Academic Council considered the proposal and resolved that a Committee chaired by the Dean of Engineering Faculty and consisting of The Director, Training & Placement and all the Heads of Engineering Departments, may work out a scheme and place it before the Vice-Chancellor for approval.

**AC4- 22: Revision of Examination Pattern and Relative Weightage for Internal and External Examinations**

It was proposed before the Council that the present examination pattern for all the examinations and the relative weightage for internal and external examinations need revisions.



The Academic Council referred the matter to the Examination Committee. The Examination Committee may consider the proposal after getting a detailed report of the existing examination system from the Controller of Examinations.

#### **AC4-23: Conferment of honorary doctorate (h.c.) upon Shri T. R. Zeliang. Nagaland**

The proposal from the office of the Chancellor/Chairperson of Mewar University to confer honorary doctorate to Shri. T. R. Zeliang, Chief Minister of Nagaland considering his outstanding contributions for the welfare and growth of the Naga people was considered by the Academic Council.

The Academic Council approved the proposal and resolved to confer honorary doctorate upon Shri. T. R. Zeliang, following appropriate procedure for Special Convocation in this regard. The Chancellor of the University is authorised by the Academic Council, to inform the decision of the Academic Council in this regard and get the consent from Shri Zeliang and date for the Special Convocation to be scheduled in the University. The Vice-Chancellor suggested to the Academic Council that it would add much more value to this Special Convocation, if we honour a very eminent educationist, scientist, thinker, humanist, philanthropist, industrialist or a distinguished Statesman of Mewar/Rajasthan origin also on this first special convocation considering the fact that the Mewar University is an institution created by the Govt of Rajasthan with a view to developing the State, in the first instance.

#### **AC4-24: Reformatting and Rewording of Degree/ Diploma Certificates in line with other State and National Universities and Institutions of Higher Learning.**

The Vice-Chancellor proposed that the Degree/Diploma Certificates may be reformatted and reworded in line with other premier institutions of higher learning. Prof. T. N. Mathur, PVC, presented a draft format for the Ph. D. certificate. There was also a suggestion to include the Hindi version in the same certificate along with the English version.

The Academic Council approved the format and recommended the same for implementation by the Board of Management. The proposal to consider the deletion of the UGC recognition statement in brackets under the title of the Mewar University was not accepted by the Academic Council. It was stated that it is mandatory for any Private University to include this statement of recognition by the UGC.

#### **AC4-25: Second Convocation of Mewar University scheduled for 24th December 2016.**

The Vice-Chancellor informed the Academic Council that the Second Convocation of Mewar University is scheduled for 24th December 2016. Prof. K. K. Agarwal, A distinguished Computer scientist and Ex-Vice-Chancellor of Indraprastha University, New Delhi is the Chief Guest. The list of candidates who are eligible for the various degrees and diplomas, submitted by the Controller of Examinations, with approval by the Chairman/Chancellor of the University, was presented before the Academic Council.

The Academic Council approved the list of eligible candidates who were recommended for the conferment of the various degrees in the 2016 Convocation.

The Meeting concluded at 1.30 pm with vote of thanks.

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