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**MINUTES OF 10<sup>th</sup> BOARD OF STUDIES MEETING - HEALTH SCIENCES**

Minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of Board of studies HBNI held at Conference Hall, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, Homi Bhabha Block at Tata Memorial Hospital on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at 11.00 am.

The following committee members were present.

Prof. K.S. Sharma	Convener (Academics)
Prof. S.K. Shrivastava	Member
Prof. Prabha Yadav	Member
Prof. S.D. Banavali	Member
Prof. R. Dikshit	Member
Prof. D.D. Deshpande	Member
Prof. A.N. Supe	Member
Prof. Shubhangi Parkar	Member
Prof. M.G.R. Rajan	Member

Prof. N.A. Jambhekar HOD, Pathology, TMH and Prof. S.V. Chiplunkar, Director, ACTREC could not attend the meeting.

**Item No.1. To confirm the minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> BOS meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2013**

The Convener welcomed all the invitees for attending the 10<sup>th</sup> BOS meeting. The Committee members have unanimously agreed and confirmed the Minutes of 9<sup>th</sup> BOS meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2013.

**Item No.2 Application to increase seats in M.Ch. Gynaec. Oncology and MD Nuclear Medicine.**

Convener has informed about application submitted to MCI, New Delhi for increased seats in M.Ch Gynac. Oncology and MD Nuclear Medicine.

**Item No.3 Revised format of M.Ch Surgical Oncology theory papers**

Committee unanimously agreed and appreciated the revised format of theory papers for M.Ch starting from academic year -2014

**This year a paper pattern for M.Ch (Surgical Oncology) course is revised as follows :**

Subject	Time	Pattern	Structure of Question Paper	
<b>M.Ch. Surgical Oncology</b>	3 hours	<b>Short notes any 10 out of 12 questions</b>	The following structure should be followed in <u>every paper</u>	
		Paper 1	Thoracic Oncology, Breast Oncology	<b>Basic Sciences</b> -Molecular Biology etiology and epidemiology of cancer
		Paper 2	Gastrointestinal, Bone & Soft Tissue, Pediatric Oncology	<b>Principles of Oncology</b> -Medical, radiation oncology topics, screening, design and analysis of trials
		Paper 3	Head Neck Oncology, Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Neuro Oncology	<b>Practice of Oncology</b> -Management of clinical scenarios with due mention of the various modalities used (Surgery,Radiotherapy, Chemotherapy etc.)
		Paper 4	Gynac Oncology, Uro Oncology, Clinical Research Methodology	<b>Recent Advances</b> - Minimal access surgery, function preserving surgery, reconstructive surgery, imaging interventional radiology procedures, transplantation, specialized radiation techniques, targeted therapy

**Item No.4 Dr.Sumeet Gujaral- Ph.D. guide under HBNI  
Dr.Tanuja Shet- Ph.D. guide under HBNI**

The above two guide for MD(Pathology) under HBNI Health Sciences wish to have approval to be guide under HBNI for Ph.D in Life Sciences. Convener informed that both the guide have sufficient teaching experience i.e. more than 15 years in concerned subject ( as per MCI norms), there fore they may be allowed to be guide for Ph.D. Committee has unanimously agreed to this proposal.

**Item No.5 To start of DFIT course, from Nuclear Medicine dept. and M.Sc. in clinical Research**

Prof. Sharma, Convener, BOS, informed the committee members about the starting of course diploma in Fusion Technology will start from this academic year -2014 Also a new course is to be introduced M.Sc.in Clinical Research, proposal prepared by Prof. C.S. Pramesh, Faculty in Thoracic Surgery and explained in detailed by Dr. Priya Ranganathan, faculty dept. of Anaesthesia. Prof. Supe and Prof. S. Parkar has suggested that the proposal should be included the details about number of hours in field work, the eligibility criteria to apply for doctors and non-medicos. Inclusion of Names of the faculty i.e. internal and External, also full curriculum to be prepared based on Indian Universities and Universities out of India. Dr. Priya agreed to this. Every committee member opined that this will improve quality of trials conducted at TMH and the proposal will be submitted to the next academic committee meeting at HBNI. The Proposal with details of curriculum submitted for approval.

emailed the evolving draft to all CIs seeking their inputs wherever needed. After adding all inputs, it will be presented to the CoM for approval. He informed that as per mandatory requirement for any grant-in-aid institution, HBNI has to finalize an Annual Report and submit to the DAE for tabling in the Parliament before November 30 every year.

Director also mentioned that annual intake of students has stabilized around 800. About 300 students have completed their doctoral studies and about 600 have completed M.Tech. Many CIs have an ambition to increase intake of students. TMC has been increasing seats progressively by taking approval from Medical Council of India and its sanctioned intake for Post-Graduate programmes including super-specialty courses is 109.

Based on inputs being received from all CIs, he listed the following as the following future plans of the Institute.

1. To increase intake of doctoral students after establishing infrastructure such as students' hostels,
2. To increase intake of students to Diploma in Radiation Protection (DipRP) programme at BARC,
3. To convert Diplomate of National Board (DNB) programme (accredited by National Board of Examinations) being run in BARC hospital to a MD/MS programme,
4. To start M.Sc (Clinical Research) at TMC,
5. To start a Diploma Programme in Fusion Imaging Technology at TMC, and
6. To start M.Tech. in fusion science and engineering at IPR.

Continuing, he said, "A new campus for NISER is under construction and once it moves to its new campus, it is proposed to start schools in Computer Science and Earth Sciences, and integrated Ph.D. programme in all disciplines. Taking a longer term view, a new campus of BARC is being planned at Vizag and land for the campus has already been acquired. Centre of Plasma Physics, Sonapur, near Guwahati has merged with IPR and academic programmes leading to a Ph.D. could be started there as well in future. TMC is setting up new campuses at Vizag in Andhra Pradesh, and Mullanpur, SAS District, Punjab, near Chandigarh."

Director requested all to give suggestions to celebrate "ten years of HBNI" as HBNI will be completing ten years after having received accreditation in 2005.

Director spoke about students seeking extension in completing the doctoral research beyond the stipulated period of five years (including one year of course work). This issue had come up in several meeting of deans and guidelines have been framed for extension from five to six years and from six to seven years. Extension beyond seven years is given in rare cases and only when the student has medical problem or has been subject to severe personal trauma. The students, who are not employees, do not get any scholarship after five years and have to move on in their career and are therefore keen to finish as soon as they can. However, students, who are employees, have no such disincentive. Director was

**AC ratified the consolidated list of faculty as approved by different Board of Studies (Annex-1).**

**M.6.A.6. Information on starting of new courses under HBNI.**

- i. **Diploma in Fusion Imaging Technology (DFIT)**
- ii. **M.Sc. in Clinical Research**

**AC took note of the above two new courses to be started during the year 2014-15 by TMC under HBNI.**

**M.7.A.7. Reconstitution of Board of Studies**

Rules call for two members of a Board to retire every year and accordingly the Council reconstituted all six Boards of Studies. The composition of reconstituted Boards is given in Annex 2.

**M.8.A.8. Update on NAAC Accreditation and preparation of SSR**

Draft 'Executive Summary', 'Profile' and 'Criteria' of SSR prepared by the steering committee and emailed earlier to all members of the Council was rolled on the screen and comments were sought. Several important points were discussed.

- i. It was agreed that in the Profile, in response to certain questions several options are given. One can save space by deleting options not applicable.
- ii. In response to question 18 of the Profile, range of working days may be given rather than a table. Similarly in response to question 19, details may be provided for integrated masters programme and for others a statement may be given.
- iii. Since enclosures like recognition from MCI etc were given prior to getting LOI, there is no need to give them again (Reference question 22 of the Profile).
- iv. Faculty and student details included in the Profile as well as Criteria-wise report need to be reconciled by CIs as well as the Central Office. Associate Dean and Deans at all CIs were tasked to do the reconciliation.
- v. Under criteria 4.2, there is no need to give details about all libraries. In the SSR details about one library that is BARC may be given, while skeleton information about other libraries in the form of a table may be given. Similarly under criteria 4.3, details may be given about two CIs which have large IT infrastructure. However, in the evaluative reports of individual CIs/ Departments, all such details can be included. Information under criteria 5.3 can also be similarly simplified.
- vi. Internal quality assurance cell indicated under criteria 6.5 may be established prior to finalizing the SSR.
- vii. Since the list of fellows is included in the executive summary, it need not be included in the Appendix 1. Only prestigious international awards and national awards such as Bhatnagar Prize, Homi Bhabha Science and Technology award, DAE Lifetime Achievement award may be included in this appendix.
- viii. Faculty has edited many conference proceedings. Edited conference proceedings need not be listed in Appendix 2 as that number is very large. They must, however, be included in the Departmental reports.