

National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration (Deemed to be University u/s 3 of the UGC Act, 1956)

Minutes of the 10th Meeting of the Board of Studies held on 4th March, 2022 (11.00 a.m.)

The meeting of Board of Studies of NIEPA was held on 4th March, 2022 at 11.00 hrs. in LH-113 online via Google meet. The following members and special invitees attended the meeting:

1.	Professor N.V. Varghese Vice-Chancellor NIEPA, New Delhi	Chairperson
2.	Professor A.K. Singh Head, Department of Educational Policy and Controller of Examination NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
3.	Professor Pranati Panda Head , Department of S&NFE and SSE Unit NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
4.	Professor Kumar Suresh Head, Department of Educational Administration NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
5.	Professor B.K. Panda Head, Department of Training & Professional Development in Education, NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
6.	Professor Rashmi Diwan Head, National Centre for School Leadership NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
7.	Professor Vineeta Sirohi Chairperson, Steering Committee (M.PhilPh.D. Programme) Department of Educational Administration NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
8.	Professor K. Srinivas Head – IT / ICT & PMU NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
9.	Professor Sunita Chugh Department of School and Non-Formal Education NIEPA, New Delhi	Member

10.	Professor Neeru Snehi Department of Higher & Professional Education NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
11.	Dr. Santwana Gopalchandra Mishra Associate Professor, Department of Educational Planning, NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
12.	Dr. Kashyapi Awasthi Assistant Professor, Department of School & Non- Formal Education, NIEPA, New Delhi	Member
13.	Professor Santosh Panda Professor STRIDE, Indira Gandhi National Open University, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi – 110 068	Member
14.	Professor Pradeep Kumar Mishra Director, CPRHE NIEPA, New Delhi	Spl. Invitee
15.	Dr. Tshering Chonzom Bhutia Advisor, Unit for International Cooperation, NIEPA, New Delhi	Spl. Invitee

Professor Sudhanshu Bhushan, Head, Department of Higher and Professional Education, Professor Mona Khare, Head, Department of Educational Finance, Professor K. Biswal, Head, Department of Educational Planning, Professor Madhumita Bandopadhyay, Professor, Department of School and Non-Formal Education, Professor Rasmita Das Swain, Professor, School Standards and Evaluation Unit, Professor Aarti Srivastava, Professor, Department of Higher and Professional Education, Professor Manisha Priyam, Professor, Department of Educational Policy, Dr. Sangeeta Angom, Associate Professor, Department of Higher and Professional Education and Dr. V. Sucharita, Assistant Professor, Department of Educational Administration, could not attend the meeting due to their pre-occupation. They were granted leave of absence. Members at Sr. No. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13 and 14 attended the meeting online through Google link. It was noted that Professor Veera Gupta, Professor, Department of Educational Policy, is presently on sabbatical leave and Professor P. Geetha Rani, Professor, Department of Educational Planning is on deputation, as per existing communications.

The meeting of the Board of Studies (BoS) was chaired by Professor N.V. Varghese, Vice-Chancellor, NIEPA.

The Registrar, NIEPA welcomed all the members. It was informed that the meeting earlier proposed for 7th March, 2022 got preponed to the date, i.e., Friday, 4th March 2022 in view of the proposed visit of the Committee of Parliamentary on Official Language, scheduling an inspection of the office on Official Language Implementation, along with 8 other offices / institutes, being funded by the Government of India.

Professor N.V. Varghese, the Chairperson of the Board of Studies extended a warm welcome to the members of the Board of Studies. He also welcomed, Professor Santosh Panda, STRIDE_IGNOU, the external member of the Board of Studies, coopted for his expert knowledge, attending the meeting online via Google meet. He joined with other members in observing a one-minute silence on the sad demise of Professor Janaki Rajan, Professor, Department of Teacher Training & Non-Formal Education, Jamia Milia Islamia, an external expert member of Board of Studies, who contributed immensely during the deliberations in the meeting.

The members of the Board of Studies (BoS) were informed about the timely attainment of semester and admission process, which was completed online, during the Covid-19 pandemic during the Session 2020-21 and 2021-22. The announcement for the Session 2022-23 for admission under integrated M.Phil-Ph.D. programme is also under process and is likely to be publicised soon on the Institute's website and through newspapers. As one-year course work under M.Phil is an important step towards strengthening the transition towards doctoral research, it was pointed out that NIEPA will follow the existing integrated M.Phil-Ph.D programme and any update or notification as and when received from the UGC or MoE, will be effectively followed.

It was informed that ever since NEP-2020 was launched, the NIEPA faculty has organised many seminars and workshops. The senior leadership has been a part of implementation scheme and has contributed in committees formed by the Nodal Ministry, in policy dialogues or submission of draft reports on credit exchange, internationalisation of campuses, global recognition of degrees etc., contributing our part to strengthen policy support to the government. The recent concluded Retreat Workshop and DAC meetings of the Departments/Centres have also deliberated the Perspective Plan 2020-30 and strategising to align its academic and research

programme, capacity building initiative, publication and reach out activities, policy modifications etc., in view of NEP-2020 and its implementation.

Thereafter, the following items of the Agenda were placed for the consideration of the Board of Studies:

Agenda Item No. 10.1 Confirmation of minutes of the 9th meeting of the Board of Studies held on 02.11.2021

The Board resolved to confirm the minutes of the 9th meeting of the Board of Studies held on 02.11.2021.

Agenda Item No.10.2 Action taken report on the minutes of the 9th meeting of the Board of Studies held on 02.11.2021.

The Board noted the information given in the Action Taken Report with satisfaction. It observed the following:

1/9.2

- (i) As per norms and established practice, the name of the Supervisor shall be there on the front cover of the thesis / dissertation.
- (ii) The signature of Head of Department shall be there, besides that of the Supervisor, while submitting the thesis / dissertation.
- (iii) The existing and established practice of identifying or selecting a faculty, to whom the thesis be sent for evaluation shall vest with the Vice-Chancellor. The concerned Supervisor needs to suggest a list of experts for reference, which may be discussed in the SAC.

2/9.3

The Vice-Chancellor informed that a communication about discontinuation of M.Phil. programme hasn't come yet from Secretary, UGC or MoE and since institute doesn't have any other teaching programme, an Internal Faculty Committee has been formed to design a one-year course

work framework (2-semester), for the pre-Ph.D requirement.

3/9.4

The Board of Studies appreciated the effort of printing degrees with security features and organizing convocation, in the near future.

4/9.5

The Board of Studies agreed to maintain a *status quo* on the revision of fellowship (M.Phil-Ph.D scholars at NIEPA).

5/9.6

The Board of Studies noted the progress and Head-NCSL assured that all required steps will be taken, including quality aspects and validation, while submitting all the details and before launching the PGSDLM programme.

Agenda Item No. 10.3

To consider the Submission Forms for the submission of thesis/dissertation by the M.Phil./Ph.D scholars.

The Board of Studies approved the Forms (A-I to V), for the submission of thesis/dissertation by the M.Phil./Ph.D scholars. After detailed discussion, it was decided to refer the Form-VI to a Sub-Committee to discuss about its mode of adoption and implementation. The Sub-Committee will essentially consist of HoD-Educational Planning/Controller of Examination, Chairperson-Steering Committee M.Phil-Ph.D Program, Coordinator Alumni Coordinator and the Finance Officer.

Agenda Item No. 10.4

Maternity leave granted to Ms. Agrima Bhasin, Integrated M.Phil-Ph.D. scholar of 2021 batch.

The Board of Studies noted and approved the proposal.

Agenda Item No. 10.5

To report that the request of Ms. Pamela Dasgupta, Ph.D. scholar for re-registration was accepted and approved.

The Board of Studies noted the proposal.

Agenda Item No. 10.6

To consider the request of Mr.Suman Saha, Ph.D. scholar for conversion of Ph.D. programme from full-time to part-time.

The Board of Studies noted and approved the proposal

Agenda Item No. 10.7

Continuation of M.Phil programme in NIEPA.

The Board of Studies noted and approved the proposal.

Agenda Item No. 10.8

Introduction of MA in Education and Development.

The Board of Studies noted the proposal. It was informed that Prof. Pradeep Kumar Misra, Director-CPRHE is coordinating the process and after due consultation, a draft proposal to start full-time MA in Education and Development will be submitted. It was suggested to share inputs with him, including on curriculum, mode of teaching, credits, skill and employability aspects, qualification framework etc, to help expedite the process.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the members, special invitee and the Chair.

(Dr. Sandeep Chatterjee)

(Prof. N.V. Varghese) Vice-Chancellor & Chairperson

7th March, 2022