



**Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Research Council (16/2023) held on 30.06.2023
at 10-30 am in the Indira Miri Conference Hall, Dibrugarh University**

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The following Members were present-

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| 1  | Prof. J. Hazarika, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, D.U.                                               | Chairperson      |
| 2  | Prof. D. Chetia, Dean, R & D, D.U.                                                             | Member           |
| 3  | Prof. S. Borkotoky, Dean Student Affairs, D.U.                                                 | Member           |
| 4  | Prof. M. N. Dutta, Dean, Faculty of Earth Sciences and Energy, D.U.                            | Member           |
| 5  | Prof. L. R. Saikia, Dean, Faculty of Biological Sciences, D.U.                                 | Member           |
| 6  | Prof. S. M. Choudhury, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Law, D.U.                               | Member           |
| 7  | Prof. K. C. Goswami, Dean, Faculty of Commerce and Management Sciences, D.U.                   | Member           |
| 8  | Prof. Neeta Kalita Barua, Dean Faculty of Education, D.U.                                      | Member           |
| 9  | Prof. D. K. Chakraborty, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, D.U.                                | Member           |
| 10 | Prof. M. Bordoloi, Head, Dept. of English, D.U.                                                | Member           |
| 11 | Prof. Dolly Phukon, Head, Dept. of Political Science                                           | Member           |
| 12 | Prof. P. Baruah, Chairperson, Centre for Management Studies, D.U.                              | Member           |
| 13 | Prof. T. K. Goswami, Chairperson, Centre for Studies in Geography, D.U.                        | Member           |
| 14 | Dr. C. K. Sarmah, Head, Dept. of History and Chairperson, Centre for Study in Philosophy, D.U. | Member           |
| 15 | Prof. J. K. Borah, Chairperson, DBHCPA, D.U.                                                   | Member           |
| 16 | Prof. T. Ali, Chairperson, Centre for Computer Sc. and App., D.U.                              | Member           |
| 17 | Dr. M. Baro, Chairperson, Centre for Physical Education and Sports, D.U.                       | Member           |
| 18 | Shri Arinjit Hazarika, Deputy Registrar (Academic), D.U.                                       | Member Secretary |

The Chairperson of the Research Council extended a warm welcome to the members present to the 16<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Research Council and called the meeting to order.

The Member Secretary of the Council and Deputy Registrar (Academic) was called upon to present the agenda items of the meeting.

**Item No. (1): Confirmation of the Minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Research Council (15/2023) held on 15.02.2023.**

**Discussion:** The Minutes of the fifteenth meeting (15/2023) of the Research Council Dibrugarh University held on 15.02.2023, circulated vide Memo No. **DU/DR-A/RC-15/02-23** dated **28.06.2023** was placed before the Council for consideration along with a report on the Actions taken on it.

***Resolution No.01: Resolved that the Minutes of the fifteenth meeting (15/2023) of the Research Council held on 15.02.2023 along with the actions taken on it be noted and confirmed.***

**Item No. (2): To consider Recognition of the Ph.D. Supervisors/ Co-Supervisors recommended by the Faculty Boards**

**Faculty Board, Faculty of Science and Engineering:**

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Sciences engineering held on 28/06/2023

| Sl. No. | Name and Address                                                                                      | Meeting of Faculty Board | Recognized as                   |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1       | Dr. Karabi Devi, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics and Statistics, Golaghat Commerce College. | 28.06.2023               | Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics |
| 2       | Dr. Amitav Doley, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, D.H.S. K. College, Dibrugarh.            | 28.06.2023               | Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics |
| 3       | Dr. Rinku Dey, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, J. B. College, Jorhat.                      | 28.06.2023               | Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics |
| 4       | Dr. Jitu Sarmah, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, J. B. College, Jorhat.                    | 28.06.2023               | Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics |

**Discussion:** The Council discussed the above mentioned proposals as recommended by the meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Science and Engineering in its meeting shown in the table. The Council examined the proposals and found it eligible for supervising Ph.D. students associating with the respective DRCs. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

**No.02:** *Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Science and Engineering in its meeting held on 28.06.2023, the following persons be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisors associating them with the respective DRCs shown against their names-*

| Sl. No. | Name and Address                                                                                             | Recognized as                          | Under the DRC in   | w.e.f.            |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1       | <i>Dr. Karabi Devi, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics and Statistics, Golaghat Commerce College.</i> | <i>Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics</i> | <i>Mathematics</i> | <i>30.06.2023</i> |
| 2       | <i>Dr. Amitav Doley, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, D.H.S. K. College, Dibrugarh.</i>            | <i>Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics</i> | <i>Mathematics</i> | <i>30.06.2023</i> |
| 3       | <i>Dr. Rinku Dey, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, J. B. College, Jorhat.</i>                      | <i>Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics</i> | <i>Mathematics</i> | <i>30.06.2023</i> |
| 4       | <i>Dr. Jitu Sarmah, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, J. B. College, Jorhat.</i>                    | <i>Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics</i> | <i>Mathematics</i> | <i>30.06.2023</i> |

### **Faculty Board, Faculty of Social Sciences:**

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor:

| Sl. No. | Name and Address                                                                             | Meeting of Faculty Board | Recognized as                 |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1       | Dr. Daisy Konwar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, D.U.                              | 26.06.2023               | Ph.D. Supervisor in Economics |
| 2       | Dr. Raktim Patar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of History, Gargaon College, Simaluguri, Assam. | 26.06.2023               | Ph.D. Supervisor in History   |

**Discussion:** The Council discussed the above mentioned proposal as recommended by the meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Social Sciences in its meeting shown in the table. The Council examined the proposals and found it eligible for supervising Ph.D. student associating with the concerned DRCs. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

**Resolution No.03:** *Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Social Sciences held on 26.06.2023, the following persons be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisor associating with the respective DRCs shown against their names-*

| Sl. No. | Name and Address                                                                             | Recognized as                 | Under the DRC | w.e.f.     |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| 1       | Dr. Daisy Konwar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, D.U.                              | Ph.D. Supervisor in Economics | Economics     | 30.06.2023 |
| 2       | Dr. Raktim Patar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of History, Gargaon College, Simaluguri, Assam. | Ph.D. Supervisor in History   | History       | 30.06.2023 |

### **Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law:**

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor:

| Sl. No. | Name and Address                                                   | Meeting of Faculty Board | Recognized as               |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1       | Dr. Ritushmita Sharma, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, D.U. | 26.06.2023               | Ph.D. Supervisor in English |

**Discussion:** The Council discussed the above mentioned proposal as recommended by the meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law in its meeting shown against the name. The Council examined the proposal and found it eligible for supervising Ph.D. student associating with the respective DRC. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

**Resolution No.04:** *Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law held on 26.06.2023, the following person be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisor associating with the respective DRC shown against the name-*

| <i>Sl. No.</i> | <i>Name and Address</i>                                                          | <i>Recognized as</i>                      | <i>Under the DRC</i>  | <i>w.e.f.</i>            |
|----------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>1</b>       | <b><i>Dr. Ritushmita Sharma, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, D.U.</i></b> | <b><i>Ph.D. Supervisor in English</i></b> | <b><i>English</i></b> | <b><i>30.06.2023</i></b> |

### **Faculty Board, Faculty of Biological Sciences:**

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor:

| <b>Sl. No.</b> | <b>Name and Address</b>                                                                                    | <b>Meeting of Faculty Board</b> | <b>Recognized as</b>              |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1              | Dr. Samrat Sengupta, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Life Sciences (Zoology), D.R. College, Golaghat, Assam. | 27.06.2023                      | Ph.D. Supervisor in Life Sciences |
| 2              | Dr. Minakshi Puzari, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Life Sciences, D.U.                                     | 27.06.2023                      | Ph.D. Supervisor in Life Sciences |

**Discussion:** The Council discussed the above mentioned proposal as recommended by the meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Biological Sciences in its meeting shown against the name. The Council examined the proposals and found it eligible for supervising Ph.D. student associating with the respective DRCs. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

**Resolution No.05:** *Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Biological Sciences held on 27.06.2023, the following person be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisors associating with the respective DRCs shown against the name-*

| <i>Sl. No.</i> | <i>Name and Address</i>                                                                                                  | <i>Recognized as</i>                            | <i>Under the DRC</i>        | <i>w.e.f.</i>            |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>1</b>       | <b><i>Dr. Samrat Sengupta, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Life Sciences (Zoology), D.R. College, Golaghat, Assam.</i></b> | <b><i>Ph.D. Supervisor in Life Sciences</i></b> | <b><i>Life Sciences</i></b> | <b><i>30.06.2023</i></b> |
| <b>2</b>       | <b><i>Dr. Minakshi Puzari, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Life Sciences, D.U.</i></b>                                     | <b><i>Ph.D. Supervisor in Life Sciences</i></b> | <b><i>Life Sciences</i></b> | <b><i>30.06.2023</i></b> |

### **Commerce and Management Sciences:**

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor:

| <b>Sl. No.</b> | <b>Name and Address</b>                                                                    | <b>Meeting of Faculty Board</b> | <b>Recognized as</b>         |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1              | Dr. Joydev Gogoi, Associate Professor (Marketing), D. H. S. K. Commerce College, Dibrugarh | 28.06.2023                      | Ph.D. Supervisor in Commerce |

**Discussion:** The Council discussed the above mentioned proposal as recommended by the meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Commerce and Management Sciences in its meeting

shown against the name. The Council examined the proposal and found it eligible for supervising Ph.D. student associating with the DRC in Commerce. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

**Resolution No.06:** *Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Commerce and Management Sciences held on 28.06.2023, the following person be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisor associating with the respective DRC shown against the name-*

| <i>Sl. No.</i> | <i>Name and Address</i>                                                                           | <i>Recognized as</i>                | <i>Under the DRC</i> | <i>w.e.f.</i>     |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| <i>1</i>       | <i>Dr. Joydev Gogoi, Associate Professor (Marketing), D. H. S. K. Commerce College, Dibrugarh</i> | <i>Ph.D. Supervisor in Commerce</i> | <i>Commerce</i>      | <i>30.06.2023</i> |

**Item No. (7):** Letter received from the Principal, North Lakhimpur College, North Lakhimpur regarding opening of three Ph.D. Programme and Course work.

**Discussion:** The Member Secretary placed the letter received from the Principal, North Lakhimpur College (Autonomous), North Lakhimpur regarding opening of Ph.D. Programmes and Course work in Botany, Education and English. The Council discussed the matter and opined that as the College has already started these three programme since the year 2022-23 under their own Research Council and Academic Council as per the UGC's guide line for Autonomous College/Institutions, the University have nothing to do on it. Further, if they plan to open new Ph.D. programme hence forth they have to take prior permission from the University as per rule. The Council also suggests the Member Secretary to intimate the College accordingly.

**Item No. (8):** Any other matter with permission from the Chair.

- (i) Application received from Mr. Arindam Borkataki, Associate Professor, Dept. of English, ADP College, Nagaon regarding pursuing Ph.D. in Assamese. (Recommended from F/B Humanities and Law held on 29/03/2023)

**Discussion:** The Member Secretary placed the application of Mr. Arindam Borkataki, Associate Professor, Dept. of English, ADP College, Nagaon for exempting the DURAT and permission for pursuing the Course Work in Assamese. The Council examined the matter based on the CV and other relevant documents submitted by the Mr. Arindam Borkataki and opined that as renowned literary personnel he may be allowed to pursue course work in Assamese exempting the DURAT.

**Resolution No (07):** *Resolved that Mr. Arindam Borkataki, Associate Professor, Dept. of English, ADP College, Nagaon be allowed to pursue the Ph.D. Course Work in Assamese in 2023-2024 session exempting the DURAT as a very special case without creating any precedence.*

- (ii) Application received from three candidates regarding exemption to appear in DURAT Examination and allow to enroll in Ph.D. Coursework. (Recommended from F/B Biological Sciences held on 27.06.2023)

Discussion: The Member Secretary placed the applications of three candidates of Department of Life Sciences, D.U. namely Ms. Niva Dutta, Ms. Upasana Phukan and Ms. Sadhana Malakar to pursue Pre-registration Course Work exempting the DURAT Examination. These candidates had already completed the Ph.D. Pre-Registration Coursework examinations, however, due to lack of Supervisors, they could not register in Ph.D. Programme of Life Sciences. The Council discussed the matter and allowed them to pursue Course Work exempting the DURAT Examination.

***Resolution No (08): Resolved that Ms. Niva Dutta (Life Sciences), Ms. Upasana Phukan (Life Sciences) and Ms. Sadhana Malakar (Life Sciences) be allowed to pursue Ph.D. Pre registration Coursework exempting the DURAT Examination 2023 as a special case without creating any precedence.***

- (iii) Letter received from Ms. Manashi Senswa (Applied Geology) regarding allotment as Co-Supervisor to Dr. Ranjan Kumar Sarmah, Professor (Retired), Department of Applied Geology, D.U.

Discussion: The Member Secretary placed the applications of Ms. Manashi Senswa (Applied Geology) regarding allotment as Co-Supervisor to Dr. Ranjan Kumar Sarmah, Professor (Retired), Department of Applied Geology, D.U. The Council discussed the matter and could not consider the matter as per the regulatory provision of the Regulation concerned.

- (iv) Letter received from Dr. D. Majumdar, Professor (Retired), Dept. of Applied Geology, D.U. seeking permission to supervise Mr. Manomohan Gogoi (Applied Geology) as Co-supervisor.

Discussion: The Member Secretary placed the applications of Dr. D. Majumdar, Professor (Retired), Dept. of Applied Geology, D.U. seeking permission to supervise Mr. Manomohan Gogoi (Applied Geology) as Co-supervisor. The Council discussed the matter and could not consider the matter as per the regulatory provision of the Regulation concerned.

- (v) Prof. D. Chetia, Dean, Research and Development, D.U. apprise the Council that as the new Ph.D. Regulation shall come in to force w.e.f. 01.07.2023, hence the recognition and research students under Co-supervisors to the Contractual Faculties of the University may be allotted in the next meeting of Faculty Boards which shall be scheduled in the month of October 2023.
- (vi) Regarding incorporation of few important points of Dibrugarh University Research and Development Policies in the Dibrugarh University Regulations for Research Council and for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) 2023.

Discussion: The council discussed the matter and entrusted the responsibilities to the Dean (R&D) to incorporate the important points of Research and Development Policies in the Dibrugarh

University Regulations for Research Council and for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) 2023.

As no other matter was there for discussion, the meeting was ended with vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

**Sd/- Arinjit Hazarika**  
**Deputy Registrar (Academic)**  
**&**  
**Member Secretary,**  
**Research Council**  
**Dibrugarh University**

**Sd/- Prof. J. Hazarika**  
**Vice-Chancellor**  
**&**  
**Chairperson**  
**Research Council**  
**Dibrugarh University**

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**Memo No: DU/DR-A/RC-16/6-23/824**

**Date: 11.08.2023**

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5. All Members of the Research Council.

(Prof./Dr \_\_\_\_\_  
Department of \_\_\_\_\_ Dibrugarh University.

**Sd/-**  
**Deputy Registrar (Academic)**  
**Dibrugarh University**