

Minutes of the 17th Meeting of the Research Council (17/2023) held on 01.12.2023 at 11.00 am in the Indira Miri Conference Hall, Dibrugarh University

The following Members were present-

1	Prof. Jahnabi Gogoi, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor i/c, D.U.	Chairperson
2	Dr. Paramananda Sonowal, Registrar, D.U.	Member
3	Prof. D. Chetia, Dean, R & D, D.U.	Member
4	Prof. S. Borkotoky, Dean Student Affairs, D.U.	Member
5	Prof. Subrata Borgohain Gogoi, Dean, Faculty of Earth Sciences and Energy, D.U.	Member
6	Prof. S. C. Kakaty, Dean, Faculty of Science and Engineering	Member
7	Prof. S. M. Choudhury, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Law, 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, Dept. of Political Science, D.U.	Member
12	Prof. T. K. Goswami, Chairperson, Centre for Studies in Geography, D.U.	Member
13	Prof. G. Borah, Dept. of Chemistry	Member
14	Prof. P. Borgohain, Dept. of Petroleum Technology, D.U.	Member
15	Prof. B. B. Kakoti, Centre for Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, D.U.	Member
16	Prof. J. K. Borah, Chairperson, DBHCPA, D.U.	Member
17	Prof. T. Ali, Chairperson, Centre for Computer Sc. and App., D.U.	Member
18	Dr. M. Baro, Chairperson, Centre for Physical Education and Sports, D.U.	Member
19	Prof. U. D. Goswami, Dept. of Physics	Special Invitee
20	Prof. D. S. Bora, Dept. of Life Sciences, D.U.	Special Invitee
21	Prof. P. N. Deka, Dept. of Mathematics, D.U.	Special Invitee
22	Prof. Pallavi Deka Buzarboruah, Dept. of Assamese, D.U.	Special Invitee
19	Shri Arinjit Hazarika, Deputy Registrar (Academic), D.U.	Member Secretary

The Chairperson of the Research Council extended a warm welcome to the members present in the 17th 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.

<u>Item No. (1):</u> Confirmation of the Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Research Council (16/2023) held on 30.06.2023.

Discussion: The Minutes of the sixteenth meeting (16/2023) of the Research Council Dibrugarh University held on 30.06.2023 was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution No.01: Resolved that the Minutes of the sixteenth meeting (16/2023) of the Research Council held on 30.06.2023 be confirmed.

Item No. (2): To consider the Action taken Report on the Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Research Council held on 30.06.2023

Discussion: The Member Secretary placed before the Council the Action taken Report on the Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Research Council held on 30.06.2023

Resolution No.02: Resolved that the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 16th

Meeting of the Research Council held on 30.06.2023 be noted and confirmed.

Item No. (3): 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 Science and Engineering held on 05.10.2023

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRCs	Recognized as
1	Dr. Dipankar Das, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, D.U.	Mathematics	Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics
2	Dr. Rabinder Kumar Prasad, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CSE, DUIET, D.U.	Engineering (DUIET)	Ph.D. Supervisor in Engineering
3	Dr. Nisha Gohain , Assistant Professor, Directorate of Open and Distance Learning, Dibrugarh University.	Mathematics	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Mathematics
4	Dr. Toralima Bora , Assistant Professor, Centre for Computer Science and Application, D.U.	Mathematics	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Mathematics
5	Dr. Pranjal Kumar Bora , Assistant Professor, Centre for Computer Science and Applications, D.U.	Computer Science	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Computer Science
6	Dr. Priyankshi Mahanta , Assistant Professor, Centre for Computer Science and Application, D.U.	Computer Science	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Computer Science

7	Dr. Sadiq Hussain , Deputy Controller of Examinations-A, D.U.	Computer Science	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Computer Science
8	Dr. Saumen Acharjee , Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University	Physics	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Physics
9	Dr. Gayatri Gogoi , Assistant Professor, Dept. of Pathology, Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh	Statistics	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor of the Ph.D. research work of Ms. Bornali Khound, Research Scholar, Dept. of Statistics, D.U.

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 held on 05.10.2023. The Council examined the proposals and found the applicants eligible for supervising Ph.D. students associating with the respective DRCs. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

Resolution No.03: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Science and Engineering in its meeting held on 05.10.2023, the following persons be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisors/ Co-supervisors associating them with the respective DRCs shown against their names-

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRCs	Recognized as	w.e.f.
1	Dr. Dipankar Das, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mathematics, D.U.	Mathematics	Ph.D. Supervisor in Mathematics	01.12.2023
2	Dr. Rabinder Kumar Prasad, Assistant Professor, Dept. of CSE, DUIET, D.U.	Engineering (DUIET)	Ph.D. Supervisor in Engineering	01.12.2023
3	Dr. Nisha Gohain, Assistant Professor, Directorate of Open and Distance Learning, Dibrugarh University.	Mathematics	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Mathematics	01.12.2023
4	Dr. Toralima Bora, Assistant Professor, Centre for Computer Science and Application, D.U.	Mathematics	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Mathematics	01.12.2023
5	Dr. Pranjal Kumar Bora, Assistant Professor, Centre for Computer Science and Applications, D.U.	Computer Science	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Computer Science	01.12.2023
6	Dr. Priyakshi Mahanta, Assistant Professor, Centre for Computer Science and Application, D.U.	Computer Science	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Computer Science	01.12.2023
7	Dr. Sadiq Hussain, Deputy Controller of Examinations-A, D.U.	Computer Science	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Computer Science	01.12.2023

8	Dr. Saumen Acharjee, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University	Physics	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Physics	01.12.2023
9	Dr. Gayatri Gogoi, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Pathology, Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh	Statistics	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor of the Ph.D. research work of Ms. Bornali Khound, Research Scholar, Dept. of Statistics, D.U.	01.12.2023

Faculty Board, Faculty of Education:

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Education held on 06.10.2023

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRCs	Recognized as
1	Dr. Shrutidhara Mahanta, Assistant Professor, DODL, D.U.	Education	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Education
2	Dr. O. Jiten Singh , Associate Professor, Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, D.U.	Physical Education	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Physical Education
3	Dr. Siddhartha Sarma , Assistant Professor, Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, D.U.	Physical Education	Ph.D. Co-Supervisor in Physical Education

Discussion: The Council discussed the above-mentioned proposal as recommended by the meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Education in its meeting held on 06.10.2023. The Council examined the proposals and found the applicants eligible for supervising Ph.D. student associating with the concerned DRCs. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

Resolution No.04: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Education held on 06.10.2023, the following persons be recognized as Ph.D. Co-Supervisor associating with the respective DRCs shown against their names-

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRCs	Recognized as	w.e.f.
1	Dr. Shrutidhara Mahanta, Assistant Professor, DODL, D.U.	Education	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Education	01.12.2023
2	Dr. O. Jiten Singh, Associate Professor, Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, D.U.	Physical Education	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Physical Education	01.12.2023
3	Dr. Siddhartha Sarma, Assistant Professor, Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, D.U.	Physical Education	Ph.D. Co- Supervisor in Physical Education	01.12.2023

Faculty Board, Faculty of Commerce and Management Sciences:

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Commerce and Management Sciences held on 29.09.2023.

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRCs	Recognized as
1	Dr. Diganta Kr. Das , Dept. of Accountancy, Lakhimpur Commerce College	Commerce	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 held on 29.09.2023. 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.05: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Commerce and Management Sciences held on 29.09.2023, the following person be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisor associating with the respective DRC shown against the name-

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRC	Recognized as	w.e.f.
1	Dr. Diganta Kr. Das, Dept. of Accountancy, Lakhimpur Commerce College	Commerce	Ph.D. Supervisor in Commerce	01.12.2023

Faculty Board, Faculty of Earth Sciences and Energy:

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Earth Sciences and Energy held on 29.09.2023.

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRCs	Recognized as
1	Dr. Pranjit Kalita , Assistant professor, Department of Applied Geology, Dibrugarh University.	Applied Geology	Ph.D. Supervisor in Applied Geology
2	Dr. Rituraj Neog , Department of Geography, Gargaon College, Simaluguri, Sivsagar, Assam	Geography	Ph.D. Supervisor in Geography

Discussion: The Council discussed the above-mentioned proposal as recommended by the meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Earth Sciences and Energy in its meeting held on 29.09.2023. The Council examined the proposals and found the applicants eligible for supervising Ph.D. student associating with the respective DRCs. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

Resolution No.06: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Earth Sciences and Energy held on 29.09.2023, the following person be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisors associating with the respective DRCs shown against the names-

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRC	Recognized as	w.e.f.
1	Dr. Pranjit Kalita, Assistant professor, Department of Applied Geology, Dibrugarh University.	Applied Geology	Ph.D. Supervisor in Applied Geology	01.12.2023
2	Dr. Rituraj Neog, Department of Geography, Gargaon College, Simaluguri, Sivsagar, Assam	Geography	Ph.D. Supervisor in Geography	01.12.2023

Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law:

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law held on 03.10.2023.

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRCs	Recognized as
1	Dr. Ranjan Bhattacharyya , Associate Professor, Department of Assamese, DCB Girls College, Jorhat.	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese
2	Dr. Bolin Handique , Associate Professor, Department of Assamese, MDKG College, Dibrugarh	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese
3	Dr. Mridul Sarma , Associate Professor, Department of Assamese, DHSK College, Dibrugarh	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese
4	Dr. Smriti Rekha Chetia Handique, Assistant Professor, Department of Assamese, Dibru College, Dibrugarh	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese

5	Dr. Darpanjit Konwar,	Assistant		Ph.D. Supervisor in
	Professor, Department of	Assamese,	Assamese	. •
	Dibrugarh University			Assamese

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 held on 03.10.2023. The Council examined the proposal and found it eligible for supervising Ph.D. student associating with the DRC in Assamese. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

Resolution No.07: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law held on 03.10.2023, the following person be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisor associating with the respective DRC shown against the names-

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRC	Recognized as	w.e.f.
1	Dr. Ranjan Bhattacharyya, Associate Professor, Department of Assamese, DCB Girls College, Jorhat.	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese	01.12.2023
2	Dr. Bolin Handique, Associate Professor, Department of Assamese, MDKG College, Dibrugarh	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese	01.12.2023
3	Dr. Mridul Sarma, Associate Professor, Department of Assamese, DHSK College, Dibrugarh	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese	01.12.2023
4	Dr. Smriti Rekha Chetia Handique, Assistant Professor, Department of Assamese, Dibru College, Dibrugarh	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese	01.12.2023
5	Dr. Darpanjit Konwar, Assistant Professor, Department of Assamese, Dibrugarh University	Assamese	Ph.D. Supervisor in Assamese	01.12.2023

Faculty Board, Faculty of Social Sciences:

Recommendation as Ph.D. supervisor/Co-Supervisor by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Social Sciences held on 04.10.2023.

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRCs	Recognized as
1	Dr. Kakoli Gogoi , Assistant Professor, Dept. of History, Dibrugarh University.	History	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 held on 04.10.2023. The Council examined the proposal and found it eligible for supervising Ph.D. student associating with the DRC in History. The following Resolution was adopted accordingly-

Resolution No.08: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Social Sciences held on 04.10.2023, the following person be recognized as Ph.D. Supervisor associating with the respective DRC shown against the name-

Sl. No.	Name and Address	DRC	Recognized as	w.e.f.
1	Dr. Kakoli Gogoi, Assistant Professor, Dept. of History, Dibrugarh University.	History	Ph.D. Supervisor in History	01.12.2023

<u>Item No. (4):</u> Application received from Dr. Aradhana Borthakur, Assistant Professor, Centre for Management Studies for cancellation of Ph.D. registration of Jyotirmoy Sarma.

> (Recommended by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Commerce and Management Sciences in its meeting held on 29.09.2023)

Discussion:

The Member Secretary placed the letter received from Dr. Aradhana Borthakur, Assistant Professor, Centre for Management Studies, D.U. expressing her inability to discharge the responsibility to supervise the Ph.D. work of Jyotirmoy Sarma. The Council discussed the matter and finally decided to cancel his Registration with immediate effect.

- Resolution No.09: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board,
 Faculty of Commerce and Management Sciences held on 29.09.2023, the
 Ph.D. Registration of Mr. Jyotirmoy Sarma, Research Scholar, Centre for
 Management Studies be cancelled with immediate effect.
- Item No. (5): Application received from Gauri Sankar Bora, Research Scholar,
 Department of Petroleum Technology for Major Modification in the
 Ph.D. Topic.

(Recommended by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Earth Sciences and Energy in its meeting held on 29.09.2023)

- **Discussion:** The Member Secretary placed the application received from Gauri Sankar Bora, Research Scholar, Department of Petroleum Technology for Major Modification in the Ph.D. Topic. The Council considering the circumstances that outlined by the applicant, allows Mr. Bora to change the Ph.D. Topic with fresh registration.
- Resolution No.10: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Earth Sciences and Energy held on 29.09.2023, Mr. Gauri Sankar Bora, Research Scholar, Dept. of Petroleum Technology be allowed to change the topic with fresh Ph.D. Registration. Further, Mr. Bora be exempted to pursue Ph.D. Pre-registration Course work as he has already completed the same.
- Item No. (6): Letter received from Dr. Pallavi Deka Buzarboruah, Professor, Dept. of
 Assamese regarding non submission of six-monthly Progress Report by
 Moitreyee Phukon, Research Scholar, Dept. of Assamese, D.U.
 (Recommended by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law in its meeting held on 03.10.2023)
- Discussion: The Member Secretary placed the letter received from Dr. Pallavi Deka Buzarboruah, Professor, Dept. of Assamese regarding non submission of sixmonthly Progress Report by Moitreyee Phukon, Research Scholar, Dept. of Assamese, D.U. The Council discussed the matter and finally decided to cancel her Registration with immediate effect.

- Resolution No.11: Resolved that as recommended by the Meeting of the Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law held on 03.10.2023, the Ph.D. Registration of Ms. Moitreyee Phukon, Research Scholar, Dept. of Assamese be cancelled with immediate effect.
- Item No. (7): Letter received from Tanuj Nath, Assistant Professor, Centre for Studies in Journalism and Mass Communication, D.U. for pursuing Ph.D.
 Degree from the Department of English.
 (Recommended by the Faculty Board, Faculty of Humanities and Law in its meeting held on 03.10.2023)
- Discussion: The Member Secretary placed the application of Mr. Tanuj Nath, Assistant Professor, Centre for Studies in Journalism and Mass Communication for permission to pursuing the Course Work in English exempting the DURAT. The Council examined the matter based on the CV and other relevant documents submitted by Mr. Nath and opined that he may be allowed to pursue course work in English exempting the DURAT.
- Resolution No.12: Resolved that Mr. Tanuj Nath, Assistant Professor, Centre for Studies in Journalism and Mass Communication, D.U. be allowed to pursue the Ph.D. Course Work in English for the session 2023-2024 session exempting the DURAT as a very special case without creating any precedence.
- <u>Item No. (8):</u> To place the letter received from Sibsagar College (Autonomous) related to introduction of Ph.D. programme from 2023-2024 academic session.
- **Discussion:** The Member Secretary placed the letter received from the Principal, Sibsagar College (Autonomous), regarding introduction of Ph.D. Programme from academic session 2023-2024. The Council discussed the matter and opined to recommend the matter to the Executive Council, Dibrugarh University to frame guidelines for introduction of Ph.D. Programme in Autonomous Colleges affiliated to Dibrugarh University.
- Resolution No.13: Resolved to recommend to the Executive Council, Dibrugarh
 University to frame guidelines for introduction of Ph.D. Programme in
 Autonomous Colleges affiliated to Dibrugarh University

Item No. (09): To consider the recommendation of the meeting of the Higher Research Degree Committee, D.U. held on 14/09/2023 regarding amendment in the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Degree of D. Litt. and D. Sc. 2020.

Recommendation:

Clause No. 1: Eligibility

- (i) A Scholar having a Ph.D. degree of Dibrugarh University or an equivalent Degree of any other University duly recognised by Dibrugarh University may apply for registration for the degree of D. Litt/ D. Sc. not before three years after obtaining Ph.D.
- (ii) He/She must have published a minimum of 15 Research Papers related to the proposed area of post-doctoral research in Scopus/SCI indexed journals. Further, the candidate should be the first author/corresponding author in these publications.

The cumulative Impact Facor of the journals should not be less than 25.

Discussion:

The Member Secretary placed the recommendation of the meeting of the Higher Research Degree Committee, D.U. held on 14/09/2023 regarding amendment in the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Degree of D. Litt. and D. Sc. 2020. The Council discussed the recommendations and opined that the matter may be examined by a committee for further modifications/amendment.

Item No. (10): Any other matter with permission from the Chair.

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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4. The Controller of Examinations i/c, Dibrugarh University.	

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Sd/-Deputy Registrar (Academic) Dibrugarh University