## Minutes of Cluster 7 Colleges meeting

Date: 10th March 2022

Time: 11 am

Venue: Akbar Peerbhoy College of Comm. & Eco.

Members Present: 09 from 05 cluster colleges.

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- 2. After discussion and deliberation amongst the members present the following points were resolved:
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Date – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2020

Time- 4:15 pm

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- Prof. Mohd. Tahir informed that the meeting was to take review of the preparations for the Dec.
  2020 examination. He has informed the members present about the new circular regarding completion of Semester 1 examination by 9<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2021.
- 2. The following dates for commencement of examination were decided after discussion:
  - a. Semester 5 75: 25 marks pattern 19<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2020 (11 am to 12 noon)
  - b. Semester 5 100 marks pattern 21st Dec. 2020 (11 am to 12 noon)
  - c. Semester 3 Regular & ATKT 100 marks 19th Dec. 2020 (3 pm to 4 pm)
  - d. Semester 1 Regular 100 marks 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 2021 (11 am to 12 noon)
  - e. Regarding Sem. 1, 2 & 4 ATKT colleges will decide their own dates.
- 3. On the issue of preparation of question bank the following was decided:
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- 2. About the First Year examination, Prof. Mohd. Tahir informed that there was discussion in meeting with University authorities that it should be delayed since in some colleges admission was still in progress and it would be difficult to complete the syllabus by Dec. 2020 deadline. He informed the members present that the date for First Year examination the date will be communicated soon.
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- It was also agreed upon to use same question banks prepared by cluster in earlier exams (since there was no change in syllabus) and adopt the same gracing pattern which was resolved earlier by the cluster colleges.
- 3. The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks proposed by Prof. Sameer Naik.
- Prof. Hemanth Kumar J.
  I/c Principal (Lead College Cluster 7)



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Date: Friday, 3rd April 2021

Time: 5 pm

The meeting was presided over by lead college Principal Mohd. Tahir, he informed the members present about the points discussed in meeting conducted by Hon. Vice Chancellor:

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- b. All other examinations to be conducted by cluster colleges as done in Dec. 2020.
- c. A special gracing committee has to be formed in each cluster with representatives from all cluster colleges to take decisions regarding grace marks allocations for the examinations to be conducted.

The following matters were discussed and decisions taken relating to cluster colleges:

- a. The same groups of teachers (as formed in Dec. 2020) to be given responsibility of preparation of question banks for Sem. 2 & 4 examinations. The questions banks for Sem. 1, 3, 5 & 6 prepared in earlier examinations (Oct. & Dec. 2020) to be used in this session.
- b. The common Time Tables for various Regular examinations will be forwarded by the lead college. Colleges can make alterations if required as per optional subjects available in their colleges. Time table for conduct of ATKT examinations of Sem. 1 & 3 to be decided by respective colleges.
- c. The dates for conduct of additional examination for students who are absent or face technical issues during Regular/ATKT exams will be decided after the completion of the said exams.
- d. Principal Mohd. Tahir assured representatives of Home Science and Hotel Management Colleges to take up their issues with Director, BOEE and obtain a solution at the earliest.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Minutes approved by Principal Mohd. Tahir (Lead College Principal)

