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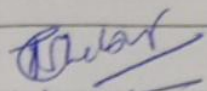
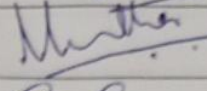
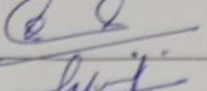
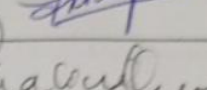
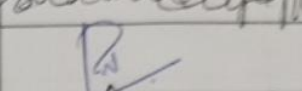
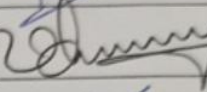
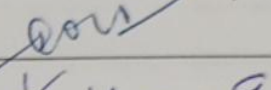
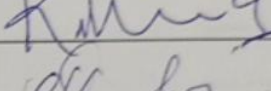
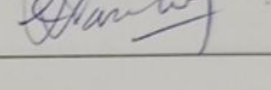
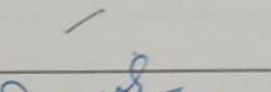
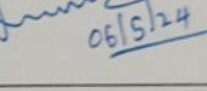
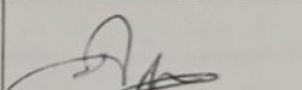
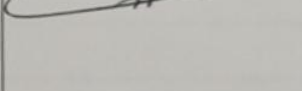
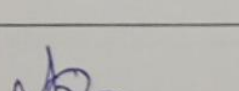
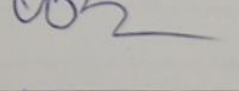
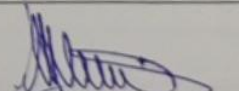
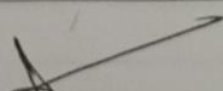
The meeting of the First Academic Council of St Aloysius (Deemed to be University), Mangaluru

06th May, 2024 – 10.30 am

Sanidhya, Admin Block.

Attended Members:

Designation	Sl.No	Name	Signature
Vice Chancellor – Chairperson	1.	Rev Dr Praveen Martis SJ	
Pro Vice Chancellor	2.	Rev Dr Melwyn DCunha SJ	
Deans of Faculties of the Schools	3.	Dr Rose Veera DSouza	
	4.	Dr Aruna Kalkur T	
	5.	Dr Hemachandra	
	6.	Dr Hemalatha N	
	7.	Dr Mahalinga Bhat K	
	8.	Dr Manuel Tauro	
	9.	Dr Rajani Suresh	
	10.	Mr Chethan Shettigar	
Ten Professors Nominated by the Vice-Chancellor	11.	Dr Denis Fernandes	
	12.	Dr Narayan Bhat	
	13.	Dr Charles V Furtado	
	14.	Dr Alwyn DSa	
	15.	Dr Loveena Lobo	
	16.	Dr Asha Abraham	
	17.	Dr Rowena Wright	
	18.	Dr P P Sajimon	
	19.	Rev. Dr Melwyn S Pinto SJ	
	20.	Dr Rathan Mohuntha	

Five Associate Professors from departments appointed by the Vice-Chancellor	21.	Dr Chandrashekara Shetty T	
	22.	Dr Mamatha	
	23.	Dr Shobha	
	24.	Dr Ravindra Swami K	
	25.	Dr Shalini Aiyappa	
Five Assistant Professors from the departments by rotation, appointed by the Vice-Chancellor	26.	Dr Rachael Natasha Mary	
	27.	Mr Udaya	
	28.	Mr Sonal Steevan Lobo	
	29.	Rev Dr Kiran Cotha SJ	
	30.	Rev Fr William Marcel Rodrigues SJ	
Six persons of repute from amongst the educationists or experts for their specialised knowledge, who are not in the service of the institution Deemed to be University, nominated by the Vice-Chancellor	31.	Dr Shakeel Ahmed, Joint Secretary, UGC New Delhi	
	32.	Prof. Arun Isloor, Department of Chemistry, NITK Surathkal	
	33.	Dr Aloysius Edward, Dean, faculty of Management Kristu Jayanti College (Autonomous), Bengaluru	
	34.	Dr Antony P J, Vice Principal, AJ Institute of Engineering and Management, Mangalore	
	35.	Mr Gerald Colaco, Partner, Colaco and Aranha, Mangalore	
	36.	Mr Jeevan Saldanha, Managing Director, Spectrum Industries, Mangalore	
The Registrar-Ex-officio Secretary	37.	Dr Ronald Nazareth	
Controller of Examination-Permanent invitee	38.	Dr Arati Shanbhag	



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Agenda

1. Prayer
2. Welcome and Opening Remarks
3. Recording the appointment of Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, Pro Vice Chancellor, Registrar and Controller of examinations for St Aloysius (Deemed to be University), Mangaluru
4. To consider and approve the introduction of School System and the record the appointment of Deans, Associate Deans and Assistant Deans for the eight schools
5. To consider the proposal to Incorporate BBA, MBA, BCA and MCA programmes within AICTE's Jurisdiction
6. To consider and approve the proposals of the structure of UG and PG programmes from the academic year 2024-25
7. To consider and approve the semester I and Semester II syllabus of the programmes of eight schools

1.	School of Physical Sciences
2.	School of Life Sciences
3.	School of Information Science and Technology
4.	School of Arts and Humanities
5.	School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy
6.	School of Business and Management
7.	School of Languages and Cultural Studies
8.	School of Vocational Studies

8. To consider and approve the proposal from School of Arts and Humanities to start BSc Psychology from the academic year 2024-25
9. To consider and approve the proposal from School of Arts and Humanities to start M Sc in Clinical Psychology from the academic year 2024-25
10. To consider and approve the proposal from School of Arts and Humanities to start MA in Business Economics from the academic year 2024-25
11. To consider and approve the proposal from School of Vocational Studies to start B.Voc. in Sports, Therapy and Nutrition from the academic year 2024-25
12. To consider and approve the proposal from School of Information Science and Technology to start B Sc in Data Science from the academic year 2024-25
13. To consider and approve the proposal from School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy to start B Com (Business Analytics) from the academic year 2024-25



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14. To consider and approve the regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph D) -2024
15. To consider and approve the structure and contents for the course work for the PhD programmes
16. To consider and approve the list of Supervisors for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph D) -2024
17. To consider and approve the evaluation system for the undergraduate and postgraduate programmes
18. To consider and approve the academic calendar for the year 2024 – 25
19. To consider the proposal for change of name for the B Ed programme to be started under the school of Education from the academic year 2025-26
20. Table agenda, if any
21. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair

Registrar



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MINUTES AND ACTION TAKEN REPORT OF THE FIRST ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

The First Academic Council Meeting of St Aloysius (Deemed to be University), Mangaluru was held on Monday, 06 May, 2024 at 10.30 AM in Sanidhya Hall.

Rev. Dr Praveen Martis, SJ, Vice Chancellor and Chairperson of the Academic Council presided over the meeting. Rev. Dr Melwyn Dcunha, SJ, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Dr Ronald Nazareth (Registrar- St Aloysius (Deemed to be University), Dr Arati Shanbhag, Controller of Examinations were present in the meeting. 36 members of the Academic Council attended the meeting.

Rev. Dr Praveen Martis, SJ, Vice Chancellor and Chairperson of the Academic Council delivered the introductory remarks. The prayer was rendered by Rev. Dr Melwyn Dcunha, SJ, Pro-Vice Chancellor.

Rev. Dr Praveen Martis, SJ, the Chairperson, accorded a warm welcome to the members of the newly constituted Academic Council and explained the significance of the Academic Council. He highlighted the regulations related to the structure, tenure of membership, academics and evaluation in his initial remarks.

The Chairperson also shared his experiences of his visit and meeting with the Honourable President Smt. Droupadi Murmu. He also mentioned the interaction with the AICTE Chairperson Prof. T G Sitharam and UGC Chairperson Prof. Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar.

An audio-visual presentation was made on the recent developments on the academic, co-curricular, extra-curricular, research activities and major events.

Agenda 3: Recording the appointment of Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, Pro Vice Chancellor, Registrar and Controller of examinations for St Aloysius (Deemed to be University), Mangaluru

The following members are appointed as Officials of the University

Chancellor	Rev. Fr Dionysius Vaz, SJ
Vice-Chancellor	Rev. Dr Praveen Vijaya Martis SJ
Pro-Vice-Chancellor	Rev. Dr Melwyn D'Cunha SJ
Finance Officer	Fr Vishwas Joy Misquith SJ
Registrar	Dr Ronald Nazareth
Controller of Examinations	Dr Arati Shanbhag

St Aloysius (Deemed to be University Trust)

Managing Trustee	Rev. Dr Daniel Fernandes SJ,
Secretary	Rev. Fr Peter Ivan Mendonca SJ
Treasurer	Rev. Fr Jason Furtado SJ
Member	Rev Fr Braine B Pereira SJ
Member	Rev. Dr Alphonse Fernandes SJ

Executive Council

DESIGNATION	NAME OF THE MEMBER
Vice-Chancellor-Chairperson	Rev. Dr Praveen Vijaya Martis SJ
Pro-Vice-Chancellor	Rev. Dr Melwyn D'Cunha SJ
Two members from amongst the Deans of schools of studies, by rotation, to be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor	Rev. Dr Melwyn S Pinto SJ
	Dr Manuel Tauro
One Professor, who is not a Dean, by rotation, to be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor	Dr Manohar V Serrao
One Associate Professor, by rotation, to be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor	Dr Rajani Suresh
One Assistant Professor, by rotation, to be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor	Rev. Fr Marcel Rodrigues SJ
UGC Nominee	Dr Anantharamu B C

Four nominees of the Sponsoring body	Rev. Dr Kiran Cotha SJ
	Rev. Dr Victor Lobo SJ
	Dr Cletus D'Souza
	Rev Dr Charles Lasrado
Registrar, who shall be the ex-officio Secretary of the Executive Council	Dr Ronald Nazareth

Finance Committee

DESIGNATION	NAME OF THE MEMBER
Vice Chancellor – Chairperson	Rev Dr Praveen Martis SJ
Pro Vice-Chancellor	Rev. Dr Melwyn D'Cunha SJ
One person nominated by the society or trust or company, as the case may be	Rev Fr Jason Furtado SJ
Three persons to be nominated by the Executive Council, out of whom at least one shall be a member of the Executive Council	Rev. Dr Kiran Cotha SJ
	Mr Gerald Colaco
	Mr Naveen C A
UGC NOMINEE	Dr Anantharamu B C
Three persons to be nominated by the Chancellor	Fr Joy Rodrigues SJ
	Fr Arun D Souza SJ
	Prof Umashanker Periodi
Finance Officer-Secretary- ex officio	Fr Vishwas Joy Misquith SJ

Academic Council

DESIGNATION	NAME OF THE MEMBER
Vice Chancellor – Chairperson	Rev Dr Praveen Martis SJ
Pro Vice-Chancellor	Rev. Dr Melwyn D'Cunha SJ
Deans of faculties of the schools	Dr Rose Veera D'Souza
	Dr Aruna Kalkur T
	Dr Hemachandra
	Dr Hemalatha N
	Dr Mahalinga Bhat K
	Dr Manuel Tauro
	Dr Rajani Suresh
	Mr Chethan Shettigar
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	Dr Alwyn D'Sa
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	Dr Asha Abraham
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	Dr Rachael Natash Mary
	Mr Udaya
	Mr Sonal Steevan Lobo
	Dr (Fr) Kiran Cotha SJ
	Fr W. Marcel Rodrigues SJ

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Resolution: Approved. The approval of the appointments was proposed by C A Gerald Colaco and seconded by Dr Aloysius Edward.

Agenda 4: To consider and approve the introduction of School System and record the appointment of Deans, Associate Deans and Assistant Deans for the eight schools.

In accordance with the University Grants Commission (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2023 and the Institution's Rules and Regulations, the Vice Chancellor proposed the implementation of a School System and Reorganization of Departments into Schools.

Eight Schools and Twelve Chairs are established. The Deans are entrusted with the responsibility of overseeing the operations of their respective schools and departments.

S.No	Name of the School	Number of Departments
1.	School of Physical Sciences	5
2.	School of Life Sciences	6
3.	School of Information Science and Technology	7

4.	School of Arts and Humanities	8
5.	School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy	1
6.	School of Business and Management	2
7.	School of Languages and Cultural Studies	7
8.	School of Vocational Studies	4

School of Physical Sciences

Dr Aruna Kalkur T	Dean
Dr Chandra Shekhara Shetty T	Associate Dean
Dr Vinola Z Rodrigues	Assistant Dean
Dr Ishwara Bhat S	HOD, Physics (UG + PG)
Dr Rachael Natasha Mary	HOD, Chemistry (UG + PG)
Ms Anupriya Shetty	HOD, Mathematics (UG + PG)
Dr Narayana Moolya B	HOD, Electronics (UG)
Dr Aruna Kalkur T	HOD, Statistics (UG)

School of Life Sciences

Dr Hemachandra	Dean
Dr Renita D'Souza	Associate Dean
Dr Lyned Dafny Lasrado	Assistant Dean
Ms Shilpa B	HOD, Botany (UG)
Dr Shreelalitha Suvarna	HOD, Biotechnology (UG + PG)
Dr Lyned Dafny Lasrado	HOD, Biochemistry (UG + PG)
Dr Vaishali Rai M	HOD, Microbiology (UG)
Dr Daniella Ann L Chyne	HOD, Food Science (UG + PG)
Dr Hemachandra	Zoology (UG)

School of Information Science and Technology

Dr Hemalatha N	Dean
Dr Ravindraswamy	Associate Dean
Mr Royal Praveen DSouza	Assistant Dean
Ms Shilpa Shetty	HOD, Computer Applications & Computer Animation (UG)
Dr Jeevan Pinto	HOD, Computer Applications (PG)
Ms Prafulla	HOD, Computer Science (UG)
Dr Ruban S	HOD, Software Technology (PG)
Dr Shine P Varkey	HOD, Bioinformatics (PG)
Dr Rakesh Kumar B	HOD, Big Data Analytics & Data Science (PG)

School of Arts and Humanities

Dr Rose Veera D'Souza	Dean
Dr P P Sajimon	Associate Dean
Dr Vidya Vinutha D'Souza	Assistant Dean
Dr Manohar V Serrao	HOD, Economics (UG + PG)
Dr Mona J Mendonca	HOD, History (UG)
Dr Ittira Shalini Aiyappa	HOD, Psychology (UG + PG)
Dr Shwetha Rasquinha	HOD, Social Work (UG+PG)
Ms Joan Rita Obrien	HOD, Sociology (UG)
Ms Bhavya Shetty	HOD, Journalism (UG + PG) & Visual Communication (UG)
Mr. Arun M D'Souza	HOD, Physical Education
Dr Rose Veera D'Souza	HOD, Political Science (UG)

School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy

Dr Manuel Tauro	Dean
Dr Zeena D Souza	Associate Dean
Ms Jennifer Maria Quadras	Assistant Dean
Dr Shobha	HOD, Commerce (UG + PG)

School of Business and Management

Dr Rajani Suresh	Dean
Dr Mamatha	Associate Dean
Mr Manoj Fernandes	Assistant Dean
Dr Beena Dias	HOD, MBA
Ms Claret Vinaya Pereira	HOD, BBA

School of Languages and Cultural Studies

Dr Mahalinga Bhat K	Dean
Rev. Dr Melwyn S Pinto SJ	Associate Dean
Dr Anup Denzil Veigas	Assistant Dean
Dr Melisa M Goveas	HOD, English: Language/Literature/Additional English/PG
Dr Mukund Prabhu	HOD, Hindi Language/Literature
Ms Flora Castelino	HOD, Konkani
Mr Prashanth K	HOD, Sanskrit
Mr Mark Richard Pereira	HOD, French
	HOD, Malayalam
Dr Mahalinga Bhat K	HOD, Kannada: Language/Literature
	HOD, German
	HOD, Spanish

School of Vocational Studies

Mr Chethan Shettigar	Dean
Ms Sharolin Avil Menezes	Associate Dean
Mr Harshith	Assistant Dean
Ms Aldrina A M	HOD, Animation & Multimedia
Ms Vidyarani H	HOD, Software Development
Mr Harshith B	HOD, Renewable Energy Management
Ms Sharolin Avil Menezes	HOD, Retail Management

The following Chairs are aimed at enhancing various facets of our academic and administrative functions of the University.

CHAIR	CHAIRPERSON
Chair of Entrepreneurship and Consultancy	Dr Adarsh Gowda
Chair of Student Engagements (External)	Mr Naveen Mascarenhas
Chair of Training, Placement & Careers	Ms Flona S Soans
Chair of Extension Services	Ms Jennifer Ida Mascarnehas
Chair of Human Resources	Ms Sahasra Rao Co-Chair: Dr Dinesh Nayak
Chair of Public Relations	Mr Andrew Dias
Chair of Quality Assurance	Dr Joyce Sabina Lobo Co-Chair: Dr Rachael Natash Mary
Chair of Student Engagement (Internal)	Mr Ashok M Prasad
Chair of Alumni Affairs	Dr Florin S Soans
Chair of Students Council	Dr Anup Denzil Veigas Co-Chair: Ms Binini Chan,
Chair of Domestic and International Relations	Dr Roshan Fredrick DSouza
Chair of Counselling and Health Sciences	Mr Shimil P V

Resolution: Approved.

Dr Antony P J proposed to approve the introduction of School System and the record the appointments and the same was seconded by Dr Narayan Bhat.

Action Taken report: The roles and responsibilities of these positions were clearly defined and documented. Regular meetings were held with the Deans to disseminate information, plan school activities, and set benchmarks. Specific targets were also established to guide each school toward continuous improvement. This comprehensive action plan has been effectively implemented to ensure the successful operation of the new School System.

Agenda 5: To consider the proposal to integrate BBA, MBA, BCA and MCA Programs within AICTE's jurisdiction

It is decided to incorporate the BBA, MBA, BCA and MCA programmes under AICTE under the Deemed to be University System. Uptill the academic year 2023-2024, these programmes were offered under Mangalore University.

Resolution: Approved.

Dr Denis Fernandes proposed to approve the integration of the above programmes under AICTE jurisdiction and the same was seconded by Prof. Arun Isloor.

Action Taken report: As per AICTE norms, approval was granted for the BBA and BCA programs with intake capacities of 320 and 310, respectively, under the university system. The request to shift the MBA and MCA programs to the university system is under consideration by AICTE, with an update expected on their website soon.

Agenda 6: To consider and approve the proposals of the structure of UG and PG programmes from the academic year 2024-25

The transition from Autonomous System to Deemed to be University System has resulted in a curriculum which will be executed under the auspices of the UGC Regulations under NEP 2020. The following structure was presented before the house for approval:

		Minimum Credit Requirement	
S.No	Broad Category of Course	3 Year UG	4 Year UG
1	Major (Core)	60	80
2	Minor Stream	24	32
3	Multidisciplinary	09	09
4	Ability Enhancement Courses	08	08
5	Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC)	09	09
6	Value Added Courses common for all UG	06 - 08	06 - 08
7	Summer Internship	02 - 04	02 - 04
8	Research Project / Dissertation	-	12
		120	160

PG programmes will have 20 Credits per semester and in keeping with the best practices of the Autonomous Structure, the total credits for UG will be 120 and total credits for PG will be 92.

Open Electives will be offered in semesters II, III and IV. Employability Skills will be offered in semester V and internship in semester VI. Languages are offered in semesters I & II.

Resolution: Approved.

Dr Antony P J proposed to approve the structure of UG and PG programmes and Dr Hemachandra seconded it.

Action Taken report: First-year UG and PG students under the university system follow the NEP structure, including Ability Enhancement Courses, Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC), Value Added Courses (common for all UG programs), Summer Internships, and Research Projects/Dissertations. A task force has been constituted to explore options for students in the fourth year. The committee is tasked with submitting a report, based on which a plan of action will be developed.

Agenda 7: To consider and approve the semester I and Semester II syllabi of the programmes of eight schools.

The Deans of all the eight schools proposed the titles of the courses offered along with the syllabus (Lecture-Tutorial-Practical-Remedial) approved in their respective Boards of Studies Meetings as suggested and approved by the respective Advisory Committees. It was observed that in the Programme List, MCA has to be added. School of Commerce introduced a new programme B.Com. (Business Analytics).

The Vice-Chancellor insisted that the Deans must take initiatives to explore the operational modalities and the best practices adopted in Schools from other eminent institutions. This will enable us to revisit the courses offered and incorporate the relevant changes.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The Semester I and Semester II syllabi for the programs of the eight schools were effectively implemented. Regular meetings of the Academic Advisory Committee were held by the departments to ensure continuous improvement. During

campus visits by eminent scientists, interactions were organized to discuss curriculum enhancements, explore operational modalities, and adopt best practices from leading institutions.

Agenda 8: To consider and approve the proposal from School of Arts and Humanities to start BSc (Psychology) from the academic year 2024-25

As per the curriculum flexibility desired under NEP 2020, embedded trans-disciplinary and multidisciplinary courses are encouraged. In lieu of the same, B.Sc. along with the Department of Psychology has offered the programme B.Sc. Psychology with a motive of intersecting psychological aspects in the Bio-Sciences arena.

Resolution: Approved.

Mr Gerald Colaco proposed to approve starting BSc Psychology Programme and it was duly seconded by Dr Manuel Tauro.

Action Taken report: B.Sc. (Psychology) program, with a second combination of Biochemistry and Zoology, was successfully launched in the academic year 2024-25 with a maximum intake capacity of 15 students. Out of the total available seats, 11 students were successfully admitted to the program, marking a positive start for this new academic offering.

Agenda 9: To consider and approve the proposal from School of Arts and Humanities to start M Sc in Clinical Psychology from the academic year 2024-25.

As clinical practicum component will enhance competency and enable the institution to emerge as an institute of repute in offering this programme along with the innovative mode of instruction like clinical interventions, case presentations and contemplation of action the proposal was appreciated.

Dr Aloysius Edward advised to propose the programme for 60 hours (4 Credits) and introduce Apprenticeship in the last semester.

Resolution: Approved.

Dr Chandrashekara Shetty proposed to approve the implementation of M Sc in Clinical Psychology Programme, which was seconded by Dr Udaya.

Action Taken report: M.Sc. in Clinical Psychology program was successfully launched from the academic year 2024-25 with an initial intake capacity of 30 students. Due to the high demand from highly competent applicants, two supernumerary seats were utilized. The total intake for the program is now 32 students.

Agenda 10: To consider and approve the proposal from School of Arts and Humanities to start MA in Business Economics from the academic year 2024-25

With a motive to imbibe the economic dimensions of the corporate jobs by training the students in policy making, strategically planning the financial analysis and such other components, it is pertinent to introduce this employable programme M.A. Business Economics. Mr Gerald Colaco recommended readings on 'Behavioural Economics' by Richard Taylor and Daniel Kanmann.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The M.A. in Business Economics program was successfully initiated from the academic year 2024-25 with an intake capacity of 20 students. The program received a positive response, with all available seats filled, demonstrating strong demand for the programme

Agenda 11: To consider and approve the proposal from School of Vocational Studies to start B. Voc. in Sports Management from the academic year 2024-25.

With a perspective of health scaling, holistic grooming and achieving better career prospects in the careers as therapists and sports nutritional coaches, the School of Vocational Studies has promoted this skill bases programme. Members expressed their appreciation for proposing the innovative and career oriented programme.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The B.Voc. in Sports Management program was launched from the academic year 2024-25 with an intake capacity of 20 students. 16 students have already enrolled, indicating a positive reception among the student community. The program has been well-received, offering students a valuable opportunity to pursue their education in the growing field of sports management

Agenda 12: To consider and approve the proposal from School of Information Science and Technology to start B Sc in Data Science from the academic year 2024-25

With the aspiration to promote career prospects by being a data scientist or data analyst, the School of Information Science and Technology proposed this new career oriented programme with engaging practical components.

Dr Aloysius Edward suggested that the programme be offered as an integrated programme (UG + PG).

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The B.Sc. in Data Science program was successfully launched from the academic year 2024-25 with an initial intake capacity of 80 students. Due to the program's high demand, two supernumerary seats were utilised to accommodate talented applicants, bringing the total student strength to 82.

Agenda 13: To consider and approve the proposal from School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy to start B. Com (Analytics) from the academic year, 2024-25

The School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy, in collaboration with ISDC (International Skill Development Corporation), has launched the cutting edge programme, B.Com (Analytics). It was suggested to change the programme nomenclature as B.Com (Business Analytics) to make it more in tune with the current trends.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The B.Com (Analytics) program, launched in collaboration with the International Skill Development Corporation (ISDC) from the academic year 2024-25, has been successfully initiated with an intake capacity of 40 students. The program has experienced high demand, with all seats filled, reflecting the strong interest in this specialized field. This successful enrollment underscores the program's relevance and the value of the partnership with ISDC in providing students with industry-aligned skills.

Agenda 14: To consider and approve the regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D.) commencing from 2024-2025

In consensus with the Doctoral Committee and Institutional Research Advisory Committee, Seven Schools of Study and 49 research guides were identified. The guidelines for eligibility for the admission, duration, admission process, programme structure, assignment of the research supervisors/ guides, process for thesis submission and viva-voce, notification of Ph.D. award and revised regulations were presented.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The regulations for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) commencing from the academic year 2024-25 were successfully implemented. Following the approval of these regulations, Ph.D. notifications were issued, resulting in an overwhelming response with 203 applications received. The Ph.D. programs are now being planned and organized in accordance with these newly established regulations,

Agenda 15: To consider and approve the structure and contents of the Course-Work for the PhD programmes

The structure and contents of the courses along with the methodology of the course work implementation duly approved by the Boards in line with the UGC guidelines and the Academic Advisory Council was proposed in the meeting. A separate committee to monitor regulations regarding Research Ethics has been constituted. Number of candidates to be admitted to the Ph.D. programmes have also been specified - Professors (a maximum of 8 candidates), Associate Professors (a maximum of 6 candidates) and Assistant Professors (a maximum of 4 candidates). The duration of full-time Ph.D. was proposed as 3 +1 years and of the part-time as 4+2 years. The variation in the fee structure for full time and part time research was deliberated upon. Also, the fellowship to be offered as an incentive was also discussed.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The structure and contents of the course-work for the Ph.D. programs were implemented. The coursework has commenced for the 94 admitted Ph D students at both the school and departmental levels. This one-semester, 12-credit courses is scheduled to be completed in January 2025, with summative assessments planned for February 2025.

Agenda 16: To consider and approve the list of Supervisors for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D.) commencing from 2024-25

The list of eligible supervisors was presented as mentioned-

School of Arts and Humanities

Political Science

1. Dr Rose Veera DSouza, Professor,
2. Dr Joyce Sabina Lobo, Asst. Professor,
3. Dr Shakila Hegde, Asst. Professor

History

4. Dr Mona Jacqueline Mendonca, Asst. Professor

Psychology

5. Dr Shalini Aiyappa, Associate Professor

Social Work

6. Dr Shwetha Rasquinha, Asst. Professor,

7. Dr Vidya Vinutha DSouza, Asst. Professor,
8. Dr Roshan Monterio, Asst. Professor,
9. Dr Prithwi M, Asst. Professor

Economics

10. Dr P.P. Sajimon, Associate Professor,
11. Dr Florin Shelomath Soans, Asst. Professor

Media Studies

12. Rev Fr Melwyn S Pinto, Associate Professor

School of Physical Sciences

Chemistry

1. Dr Ronald Nazareth, Professor,
2. Rev. Dr Praveen Martis, Associate Professor,
3. Dr Jyothi N Rao, Asst. Professor,
4. Dr Vinola Z Rodrigues, Asst. Professor,
5. Dr Roshan Fredrick DSouza, Asst. Professor,
6. Dr Divya N Shetty, Asst. Professor

Physics

7. Dr Chandra Shekhara Shetty T, Associate Professor,
8. Dr Ravindra Swami , Associate Professor,
9. Dr Nilaknthan V K, Asst. Professor,
10. Dr Rita Crasta, Asst. Professor,
11. Dr Emanuel Deepak D'silva, Asst. Professor

School of Life Sciences

Biotechnology

1. Dr Shreelalitha Suvarna J, Asst. Professor,
2. Dr Jiji George, Asst. Professor,
3. Dr Santhosh Wilson Goveas, Asst. Professor,
4. Rev Dr Melwyn D'Cunha, Associate Professor

Biochemistry

5. Dr Lyned Dafney Lasrado, Asst. Professor,
6. Dr Swarnalatha B N, Asst. Professor,

7. Dr Ambarish C N, Asst. Professor,
8. Dr Remya Varadarjan , Asst. Professor,
9. Dr Pallavi Baliga, Asst. Professor

Botany

10. Dr Sana Sheikh, Asst. Professor

Microbiology

11. Dr Vaishali Rai M, Asst. Professor

Food Science and Technology

12. Dr S.N. Raghavendra , Asst. Professor

School of Languages and Cultural Studies

1. Dr Melisha Goveas, Associate Professor,
2. Dr Dinesh Nayak, Asst. Professor

School of Business and Management

1. Dr Rajani Suresh, Associate Professor,
2. Dr Rowena Wright, Associate Professor,
3. Dr Beena Dias, Associate Professor,
4. Dr Dhananjaya K, Associate Professor,
5. Dr Swapna Rose, Asst. Professor

School of Commerce, Finance and Accountancy

1. Dr Mamatha, Associate Professor,
2. Dr Caroleena Janefer, Asst. Professor,
3. Dr Swathi Bhat, Asst. Professor

School of Information Technology

1. Dr Hemalatha N, Associate Professor,
2. Dr Santhosh B, Associate Professor,
3. Dr Jeevan Pinto, Associate Professor,
4. Dr Ruban S, Associate Professor

It was suggested to classify the research supervisors based parameters like Number of Professors, Associate and Assistant Professors, Years of Service, number of Publication with publication credentials.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: Based on the list of approved supervisors for the Ph.D. program , their areas of specialization and on the available vacancies as recommended by the Research Development Committee (RDC), the applied candidates were successfully assigned to their respective supervisors.

Agenda 17: To consider and approve the evaluation system for the undergraduate and postgraduate programmes

The evaluation criteria for formative and summative assessments for both UG and PG programmes along with the bifurcation of course-wise credits was presented. It was proposed to maintain the ratio between formative and summative assessment for both UG and PG programmes as 40:60 leading towards evolving a more creative, diverse and flexible academic assessment system.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The evaluation system for undergraduate and postgraduate programs, incorporating both formative and summative components, was effectively implemented.

Agenda 18: To consider and approve the academic calendar for the year 2024 – 25

The academic calendar which comprises of the deadlines submissions of formative and summative assessments including the declaration of results was presented.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The academic calendar for the year 2024-25 was successfully implemented, with all programs and meetings organized according to the scheduled timelines.

Agenda 19: To consider the proposal for change of name for the B Ed programme to be started under the School of Education under the University from the academic year, 2025-26

The proposal to integrate the Bachelor of Education Programme under the aegis of the School of Education of the University with the approval of NCTE for continuing the aspirations of quality teaching was presented. A resolution was unanimously passed to this effect.

Resolution: Approved.

Action Taken report: The proposal to bring the B.Ed. program under the university was submitted to the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) and considered in the 441st meeting of the Southern Regional Committee. The NCTE requested

clarification regarding any changes in the land, building, and location of the B.Ed. program. In response, the University has submitted the required undertaking confirming no changes in these aspects, ensuring compliance with NCTE requirements.

Agenda 20: Table agenda, if any

There was no table agenda.

Agenda 21: Any other matter, with the permission of the Chair

The following suggestions and concerns were discussed:

- More IT/BT Integrated Programmes could be introduced.
- School of Engineering and Law could be established.
- B.Sc. Programmes offering Cyber Security and Artificial Intelligence could be proposed
- B.B.A. (International Business) Programme may be offered.
- Research Capacity of the faculty to be gauged leading to continuous thrust on patents, entrepreneurial start-ups.
- Introduce trending engineering programmes.
- Introduce programmes which are cost-effective, keeping in mind the lab space, electronic equipment and utilize the existing technical human resources optimally.
- Collaborate with institutions such as NISM. Students may attempt NISM exams for enhancing greater employability.
- Start online programmes which are industry specific and executive programmes for corporates.
- More inter-disciplinary research to be promoted.
- Work on long-term strategic plan for faculty and students.
- Patents must be licensed and commercialized.
- CSR funding grants to be attracted.
- FECM/TM Instruments can be procured using alumni connect.
- Cultural Studies to innovate with new thinking.
- Consultancy to be promoted.
- Retain faculty and empower them.
- Attract foreign faculty.
- Introduce twinning and joint programmes.
- Have an institutional development Plan.

Action Taken report: The proposal for establishing a School of Engineering and Law has been planned and will be introduced at this meeting. Additionally, the School of IT has been requested to submit a feasibility report for the proposed B.Sc. programs in Cyber Security and Artificial Intelligence. Similarly, the School of Business Management is tasked with providing a feasibility report for the B.B.A. (International Business) program. A committee has been formed to facilitate collaboration with institutions such as the National Institute of Securities Markets (NISM), allowing students to attempt NISM exams to enhance their employability prospects. The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr Ronald Nazareth - Registrar (Deemed to be University).

Rev. Dr Praveen Martis SJ
Vice Chancellor

Dr Ronald Nazareth
Registrar
