ASSOCIATION OF INDIAN UNIVERSITIES

(Evaluation Division)

Minutes of the Equivalence Committee Meeting held on December 30, 2014 at AIU House, New Delhi

Chairman

Member

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Member Secretary

The Meeting of the Equivalence Committee of the AIU was held on 30th December 2014 at 11:30 AM at the AIU House, New Delhi.

The following were present:

- 1. Dr. H M Desai, President, AIU
- 2. Prof. Ranbir Singh Vice President, AIU
- 3. Prof. D S Chauhan
- 4. Dr. Manoj Soni
- 5. Prof. G D Sharma
- 6. Prof. Furgan Qamar, Secretary General

The following members could not attend the meeting due to unavoidable circumstances and were granted leave of absence:

- 1. Dr. Sachchidanand Joshi; and
- 2. Dr. V Kutumba Sastri

Dr. Shyam Narain, Addl. Secy. &I/c EV and Shri Sambhav Srivastava, S.O. Evaluation were also present.

The Chairman welcomed the Members, specially Prof. Ranbir Singh, Vice President, AIU and Dr. Manoj Soni who attended the meeting in AIU for the first time, and thanked them for sparing their valuable time for making it convenient to attend the meeting.

Thereafter the Agenda was taken up.

1. To Consider the Minutes of the last meeting held on November 26, 2013.

The Minutes were Conformed

 To Consider the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the last meeting held on November 26, 2013.

The Committee noted the Action Taken Report and Approved the same.

3. To consider the proposal for granting equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (International Management), awarded by Management Development Institute (MDI), Gurgaon with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

Secretary General, informed that the process of granting equivalence to the two year full time PGDM (both the fresh requests and the requests for renewal) which had been put on hold for the past one year owing to the adverse observation by the One-man Committee constituted by the MHRD, has now been resumed after obtaining necessary approval from

the MHRD vide their letter dated 19th September 2014. Accordingly, the visits of the Visiting Committee as had already been approved are being sent for their evaluation and recommendations and that their reports and recommendations are being placed before the Equivalence Committee for consideration and approval. He also informed that now, a structured format has been developed for collecting information and submission of the report by the visiting committee. The Committee appreciated the efforts of the AIU in obtaining necessary approval from the MHRD for continuing the Equivalence of the PGDM programme but felt that the AIU must ensure that only such PGDM programme which are of very high quality be granted equivalence. It was also felt that the AIU must ensure utmost objectivity, speed, transparency and consistency in its approach and methodology for granting equivalence of the PGDM be processed as per the following criteria and only such programmes which meet all the specified parameters be approved.

A: Fresh Proposals for Grant of Equivalence to the PGDM Programmes:

- a. Only such PGDM programmes be granted Equivalence which meet the following conditions
 - The Institute has applied for the AIU equivalence and has furnished all the required information/documents as prescribed by the AIU;
 - The PGDM Programme has been duly approved by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi;
 - iii. A Minimum Two Batches of the programme must have passed out successfully;
 - iv. The PGDM programme has been duly accredited by the National Board of Accreditation (NBA);
- The equivalence to the PGDM programme meeting the above conditions be granted for the period for which the NBA accreditation is valid;
- c. To simplify the process, the procedural requirements of sending visiting teams for the evaluation of the PGDM programme be done away with and the decision be taken on the basis of the documentary evidences obtained from the Institute offering the PGDM programmes. The AIU shall, however, reserve the right to get the programme evaluated by a visiting team as and when it deem necessary.

B: Proposals for Renewal of Equivalence to the PGDM Programmes:

- Only such PGDM programmes be granted Renewal of Equivalence which meet the following conditions
 - The Institute has applied for the AIU equivalence and has furnished all the required information/documents as prescribed by the AIU;
 - The PGDM Programme has been duly approved by the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi;
 - iii. A Minimum Two Batches of the programme must have passed out successfully;

- iv. The PGDM programme has been duly accredited by the National Board of Accreditation (NBA);
- b. The equivalence to the PGDM programme meeting the above conditions be granted from the date it has become due and further for the period till their NBA accreditation is valid.
- c. To simplify the process, the procedural requirements of sending visiting teams for the evaluation of the PGDM programme be done away with and the decision be taken on the basis of the documentary evidences obtained from the Institute offering the PGDM programmes. The AIU shall, however, reserve the right to get the programme evaluated by a visiting team as and when it deem necessary.
- d. All such cases where proposals have been received for the Renewal of AlU Equivalence for the PGDM programmes that have yet not been accredited, the Renewal may be accorded, for the sake of continuity and as a one-time exceptional measure, from the date it has become due and further for the period of two years with a condition that the institute be asked to obtain NBA accreditation failing which the programme shall not be eligible for AIU Equivalence.

To consider the proposal for granting equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (International Management), awarded by Management Development Institute (MDI), Gurgaon with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

 To consider the proposal for granting equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management awarded by Integrated Institute of Learning in Management (IILM), Jaipur (Rajasthan), with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

 To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (Travel & Leisure) awarded by Indian Institute of Tourism and Travel Management (IITTM), Sector 62, Noida (UP) with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A". of Item No. 3.

 To consider the proposal for grant of extension to Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management, already accorded equivalence by AIU, awarded by the Institute of Management Studies, Lal Quarter, Ghaziabad UP, with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

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The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART B" of Item No. 3.

 To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to the Fellow Programme offered by the Institute of Rural Management, Anand (Gujarat) with Ph.D degree of an Indian University.

The Matter for grant of equivalence to the Fellow Programme offered by the Institutes falling outside the purview of universities, approved by the AICTE was thoroughly discussed at length and It was resolved that:

" That AIU shall continue its practice of according equivalence to the IIMs only",

 To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (Finance) offered by the Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Institute of Management, Dwarka, Delhi, with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

 To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management offered by Apee Jay Institute of Management, Dwarka, New Delhi with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

10. To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (International Business) offered by Apee Jay Institute of Management, Dwarka, New Delhi with MBA Degree of an Indian University

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

11. To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management awarded by National Institute of Financial Management, Faridabad, with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART B" of Item No. 3.

 To consider the proposal for grant of extension to Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management offered by Institute of Public Enterprises, Hyderabad (AP), with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART B" of Item No. 3.

 To consider the proposal for grant of extension to Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management offered by International Management Institute B-10, Qutub Institutional Area, Tara Crescent, New Delhi, with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART B" of Item No. 3.

14. To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (IB) offered by the Jagannath Institute of Management Studies, Kalkaji, New Delhi, with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

15. To consider the proposal for granting equivalence to the Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management awarded by the Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad (UP) already accorded equivalence by AIU with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART B" of Item No. 3.

16. To consider the request for grant of equivalence to the Two year Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management awarded by the Jeev Sewa Sansthan, Bhopal with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

17. To consider the request for grant of equivalence to the Two year Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (IB)awarded by the Institute of Finance & International Management, Bangalore, with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

18. To consider the proposal for grant of extension to Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management offered by Institute for Integrated Learning in Management, IILM Graduate School of Management, 16 Knowledge Park II, Greater Noida - 201306 (UP) with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART B" of Item No. 3.

19. To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to Four year full time Fellow Programme offered by XLRI, Xavier School of Management, P. Box 222, C.H. Area (East), Jamshedpur 831001, India with Ph.D Degree of an Indian University.

The Matter for grant of equivalence to the Fellow Programme offered by the Institutes falling outside the purview of universities, approved by the AICTE was thoroughly discussed at length and It was resolved that:

" That AIU shall continue its practice of according equivalence to the IIMs only".

20. To consider the recommendations of the Committee constituted to grant equivalence to the 3-4 year Diploma in Engineering awarded by the Institutions in Nepal and Bangladesh etc.

The recommendations of the Sub Committee were accepted subject to the condition that the Diploma in Engineering is awarded by an accredited/recognized/approved foreign university(s) in the respective country.

21. To consider the request forwarded by the International Baccalaureate Organization, Genewa, Switzerland, to accord equivalence to the IB Certificate with 24 or more credits, but have not been awarded I B Diploma.

The Members of the Committee unanimously decided that with a view to maintain the standards, AIU shall continue its Policy of according equivalence to those students only who obtain 24 Credits and are awarded I B Diploma and the status quo be maintained

22. To consider the requests received from the IMT Ghaziabad and All Indian Institute of Management Association (AIMA) to accord equivalence to the Three year Part Time and Two year Full time Diploma in Management awarded by the Institutes which are approved by the Distance Education Bureau and AICTE.

The members of the Committee resolved that AIU shall continue to follow its Policy of according equivalence to Two year full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management only, which are approved by AICTE and not to the Management Diplomas awarded through Distance Mode/Part time.

 A three member committee of Prof. D K Bandhopadhya, Ex VC, GGS I P University, Delhi and Prof. Mukul Gupta, Director, MDI, Gurgaon and Prof. Nageshwar Rao, Pro VC, IGNOU, New Delhi, was constituted by the Secretary General AIU.

The Recommendations of the Sub Committee dated 07.02.2014 were considered and it was decided that Secretary General AIU is authorized to constitute a Three Member Committee of external members and look into the Guidelines and Regulations framed by the UGC and AICTE for according equivalence to Indian University(s) having their Campuses abroad and Foreign Universities operating in India and also to the foreign universities operating in foreign countries.

 To consider to note the change in the nomenclature of the Examining Board conveyed by M/s PEARSON, London.

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Noted.

 To consider the request for according equivalence to the Bachelor Degree obtained by the students from foreign accredited universities, through Pathways Or Diploma/Higher National Diplomas.

The Members of the Committee resolved that AIU shall continue to accord equivalence to the Degrees pursued full time on the Campus of the University of its origin provided the duration of the course and eligibility requirements remains the same as that of Indian Universities. The students routed through Pathways and Diploma shall be required to submit a 3-year Consolidated Official Academic Transcript from the Degree awarding university together with a proof that they have studied full time on the campus of the Degree awarding University, as AIU has not accorded equivalence to the Diploma and National Diplomas awarded by the British Universities/Institutions and Pathway programmes offered by the Australian Institutions.

 To consider the request received from the London School of Management Education, Essex, UK, to accord equivalence/academic recognition to the Diploma in Education and Training (DET) offered by them.

The Members of the Committee felt that the Proposal submitted by the London School of Management Education be forwarded to the National Council of Teacher Education (NCTE), New Delhi, for their opinion/comment as to whether the Diploma in Education and Training awarded by LSME, UK, could be equated with the corresponding B. Ed degree of an Indian University and post graduate certificate in education to M.Ed.

27. To consider the proposal for grant of extension to Two year Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management awarded by the New Delhi Institute of Management, Tuglakabad, New Delhi, with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART B" of Item No. 3.

28. To consider the request for grant of equivalence to the Two year Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (Finance) awarded by the New Delhi Institute of Management, Tuglakabad, New Delhi with MBA (Finance) Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

29. To consider the request for grant of equivalence to the Two year Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (Marketing) awarded by the New Delhi Institute of Management, Tuglakabad, New Delhi with MBA (Marketing) Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

30. To consider the proposal for grant of extension to Two year Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management awarded by the Jagan Institute of Management Studies, Rohini, New Delhi, with MBA Degree of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART B" of Item No. 3.

31. To consider the proposal for according equivalence to Two year Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (Retail Management) awarded by the Jagan Institute of Management Studies, Rohini, New Delhi, with MBA Degree (Retail Management) of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

32. To consider the proposal for according equivalence to Two year Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (International Business) awarded by the Jagan Institute of Management Studies, Rohini, New Delhi, with MBA Degree (Retail Management) of an Indian University.

The Committee resolved to decide the case in light of the decision taken at "PART A" of Item No. 3.

The Committee also considered the Supplementary Agenda

01. To consider the request received from the Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) to review the equivalence already accorded to Cambridge Qualifications to IGCSE/GCSE/GCE "O" level qualifications.

The Members of the Committee strongly felt that AIU should continue to accord equivalence with same parameters and should not dilute with the present standards.

02. To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to Four year full time Fellow Programme offered by Management Development Institute, Gurgaon, India with Ph.D Degree of an Indian University.

The Matter for grant of equivalence to the Fellow Programme offered by the Institutes falling outside the purview of universities, approved by the AICTE was thoroughly discussed at length and It was resolved that:

" That AIU shall continue its practice of according equivalence to the IIMs only".

03. To consider the proposal for grant of equivalence to Four year full time Executive Fellow Programme offered by Management Development Institute, Gurgaon, India with Ph.D Degree of an Indian University.

The Matter for grant of equivalence to the Fellow Programme offered by the Institutes falling outside the purview of universities, approved by the AICTE was thoroughly discussed at length and It was resolved that:

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04. To consider the request received from Dr. Sumer Singh, Director, Daly College Business School, Indore, for according equivalence to the degrees awarded by the Institute in collaboration with the De Montfort University, Leicester, UK and also to issue directions to Devi Ahjilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore, to take the students on transfer basis from Daly College.

The Members of the Committee felt that since the matter is Sub Judice, AIU should wait for the judgment in the matter, as AIU has also been made a party to it.

However, the Members of the Committee felt that keeping in mind that there are some Institutes which are awarding degrees in collaboration with the foreign accredited universities and are approved by the AICTE with due permission of the concerned authorities, AIU should constitute a Committee to look into the Regulations and Guidelines framed by the UGC & AICTE. Secretary General AIU was authorized to constitute a Three Members Committee.

05. To report the Policy already adopted by AIU for according equivalence to the 12 year High School Diploma awarded by the accredited American Schools with +2 stage qualification of an Indian Board.

The present Policy of according equivalence to the 12 year High School Diploma awarded by the accredited schools in India and abroad was considered and noted for records.

06. To consider the proposal received from the Association of Business Managers and Administrators (AMBA) Education UK, to accord equivalence to their programmes in diverse sectors.

It was decided to continue with the existing Policy of not according equivalence to the Diploma level programmes offered by the foreign Institutions and stick to accord equivalence only to the degrees awarded by the foreign accredited universities.

07. To consider to approve the format of the Equivalence Certificate issued to the students without indicating the specialization/ streams on it.

The Committee decided that hence forth AIU shall issue Equivalence Certificates to the students only on the following format without mentioning the stream or specialization on it.

"This qualification is equated with the Bachelor/Master/Ph.D degree in the corresponding field of an Indian University".

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

Dr. H M Desai Chairman

Prof. Furqan Qamar Secretary General

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ASSOCIATION OF INDIAN UNIVERSITIES (Evaluation Division)



Minutes of the Diploma Sub Committee Meeting held on June 06, 2014 at AlU House, New Delhi

PRESENT

Prof. D S Chauhan, VC, GLA Univ. Shri Upamanyu Basu, FA, UGC Dr. Rakesh Kumar Sharma, Registrar, IIIT, Delhi Dr. Shyam Narain, Addl. Secy. & I/c (EV) Mr. Sambhav Srivastava, Section Officer (EV) Chairman Member Member AIU Representative AIU Representative

Dr. P.B. Ullagaddi, Advisor, AICTE, New Delhi could not attend the meeting, due to his prior engagement.

Prof D S Chauhan, Chairman of the Committee welcomed the Sub Committee members and informed that the meeting has been convened to consider the Criteria for granting Equivalence Certificates to 3-4 year Diploma in Engineering holders from Nepal, Bangladesh and other countries including India.

The Committee members perused the syllabi of the Diploma Programme conducted by Tribhuwan University, Kathmandu, Nepal and Bangladesh Technical Education Board in the field of Engineering. The Committee was also briefed about the curriculum requirement of the diploma level programme conducted by the State Board of Technical Education in India.

The Committee recommends that in case :

- a. Entry level is Class 10 & above,
- b. The minimum duration of the programme is 3 years,
- c. Medium of Instruction is English,
- d. A minimum of 30 courses are covered in the programme,
- e. A minimum of 6 courses in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics are coved in the curriculum and
- f. A minimum of 20 courses in engineering out of 6 Science subjects are covered in the curriculum,

Then the diploma can be granted equivalence to the corresponding diploma programme conducted by various Boards of Technical Education in India and such students should be eligible for admission to 2nd year (Lateral Entry) of the B.E./B.Tech Degree Programmes. It will include Diplomas awarded by any country as also those awarded by universities in India.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair

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