**VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY**

**MIDNAPORE**

**Department of English**

**Resolutions of the Online Department Committee Emergency Meeting**

**Faculty Members present:**

Dr. Jolly Das

Prof. Indranil Acharya

Prof. Joyjit Ghosh

Mr. Hemant Kumar Golapalli

Mr. Shubhendu Shekhar Naskar

Dr. Jolly Das took the chair of the meeting as the Head of the Department. The meeting was held through the google meet URL <https://meet.google.com/cko-jaso-auv> at 5.00 p.m. on 21.08.2021.

The notice for the meeting was made via email on 19.08.2021.

**Agenda**

1.  The participation of the Department in the “Celebration of 75 Years of Indian Independence” of the University: organizing at least two National seminars/webinars during the period of one year from 15 August 2021.

2. Preparation for the forthcoming visit by the NAAC Peer Team during 15-17 September 2021.

3.  Roster for attending the University on the announced working days.

4.  Miscellaneous.

**Resolutions**

**Agendum 1**

It is unanimously resolved that the Department of English shall organize a webinar (preferably in November 2021) on the makers of Indian literature with special focus on Rabindranath Tagore, Sri Aurobindo, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and Mahatma Gandhi and contact Prof. Bashabi Fraser, Professor Emerita, Edinburgh Napier University, Prof. Gautam Ghosal, Visva Bharati, Santiniketan, Prof. Raj Kumar, University of Delhi and Padmashri Prof. G.N. Devy, Sahitya Akademi awardee, as resource persons.

**Agendum 2**

(a) The PPT for the Department’s presentation shall be updated according to the suggestions for minor changes, made by the former Hon’ble Vice Chancellor and the former Dean, Faculties of Arts and Commerce.

(b) The PPT for the Language Laboratory as a University facility shall be kept ready separately as well as incorporated in the PPT for the department, as was done for the Mock Visit by the Peer Team.

(c) With the tenure of his lien being extended up to 30 September 2021, Prof. Debashis Bandyopadhyay shall be requested to be present, with all the necessary documents (mentioned in the SSR) during the period of the visit (15-17 September 2021) by the NAAC Peer Team.

(d) Two research scholars and two postgraduate students shall be requested to assist in the preparations for the visit by the NAAC Peer Team, in keeping with the communication from the Dean, Faculties of Arts and Commerce. Their names shall be sent to the concerned office for allowing them entry to the campus.

(e) The department will maintain a file containing the photocopies of Covid-19 Vaccination of everyone related to the department (faculty, non-teaching staff, research scholars and students) who will be present for the on-campus visit by the NAAC Peer Team.

(f) The department shall be accessible for the Computer Centre personnel for checking of the functioning of the available ICT-related gadgets.

**Agendum 3**

A roster for the teachers’ attendance has been prepared according to the Notification No. 1037 dated 13.08.2021.

**Miscellaneous**

1. The first Anindya Basu Roy Memorial Lecture shall be organized by the Alumni Association of the Department of English sometime in October 2021, as already resolved in the meeting of the Alumni Association.

2. After the report presented by Mr. Hemant Kumar Golapalli, Coordinator, Language Laboratory, about the proposal and brochure made by Lanquill, which were forwarded to the Head of the Department of English on date by the Deputy Registrar (Administration), followed by a discussion on the report and the forwarded documents, it has been decided that the completely system-controlled online platform, which has neither the scope for accommodating the existing language laboratory nor the space for human intervention by a teacher/facilitator, and which requires very efficient internet connectivity, headsets and microphones for the users, shall not be suitable for use by our students whose access to these essential requirements remains unstable/problematic (as has been found during the online classes).

The University Authority shall be approached for considering the collaboration of the Department of English with the British Council and/or the Institute of English for training and guiding the teachers and students for English language teaching by developing modules and teaching methodology to meet the requirements of the learners.

3. The performance of a radio-play suitable for the “Celebration of 75 Years of Indian Independence” shall be considered by the department.

The meeting ended with thanks to and from the Chairperson.

Jolly Das

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