

Minutes of the 14th Meeting of Advanced Studies & Research Board
University of Malakand

The 14th meeting of the Advanced Studies & Research Board was held on December 19, 2013 at 10.00 am in the Committee Room. The following attended:

1. Prof. Dr. Johar Ali Vice-Chancellor **(in the chair)**
2. Prof. Dr. Rahmat Ali Dean, Faculty of Sciences
3. Prof. Dr. Mir Azam Khan Dean, Faculty of Biological Sciences
4. Prof. Dr. Rashid Ahmad Chairman, Department of Chemistry
5. Prof. Dr. Iftikhar Ahmad Chairman, Department of Physics
6. Dr. Arab Naz Associate Professor, Sociology/Social Work
7. Dr. Gul Zaman Associate Professor, Mathematics
8. Dr. Muhammad Nisar Assistant Professor, Botany
9. Dr. Muhammad Waris Assistant Professor, GCMS Thana, Mkd
10. Prof. Raza Shah Principal, GDC Gul Abad, Dir Lower
11. Sher Bahadur Registrar **(Secretary)**

The meeting started with recitation of verses from the Holy Qura'n by the Secretary. The Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the members and appreciated the efforts of the admission office for conducting regular meetings and clearing the pendency. The following agenda items were taken up for consideration;

Item-1 **Course work, research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Ghazan Khan, M.Phil scholar, Department of Pharmacy**

The Board approved the course work and research topic with minor changes in the synopsis i.e., in the Introduction section, Aims and Objectives and references style. The Board advised the concerned scholar to ensure incorporation of the minor changes and send the revised copy along with a certificate from the Dean of Biological Sciences to the said effect to the admission office.

Item-2 **Course work, research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Faizan ul Haq, M.Phil scholar, Department of Pharmacy**

The Board approved the course work and research topic with minor changes in the synopsis i.e., in the Introduction section and Aims and Objectives. The Board advised the concerned scholar to ensure incorporation of the minor changes and send the revised copy along with a certificate from the Dean of Biological Sciences to the said effect to the admission office.

Item-3 **Course work, research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Fawad Mahmood, M.Phil scholar, Department of Pharmacy**

The Board approved the course work and research topic with minor changes in the synopsis. The concerned scholar was advised to change the references style and incorporate the suggested changes and send the synopsis so revised through the supervisor duly certified by the Dean of Biological Sciences to the said effect to the admission office for record/reference.

Item-4 **Conversion of M.Phil to PhD Department of Pharmacy**

The Board approved the conversion of M.Phil into Ph.D Program as per HEC criteria in respect of the following scholars:

1. Mr. Shafiullah
2. Mr. Muhammad Ibrar
3. Mr. Sajjad Ahmad

Further the Board granted approval for conversion of M.Phil into PhD program, in respect of the following subject to the condition that they should produce GAT subject conducted by NTS with

minimum 60 % marks within *Six months* i.e., upto June 18, 2014 failing which the conversion will stand cancelled.

1. Mr. Muhammad Shafique
2. Mr. Abid Hussain
3. Mr. Shfiq Ali Shah
4. Mr. Anwar Zeb

Item-5 **Extension in the study period in respect of M.Phil. scholars, Department of Chemistry**

The Board granted extension in the study period as under:

1. Mr. Farman Ullah March, 2013 to June, 2013
2. Mr. Muhammad Ibrahim March, 2013 to March, 2013
3. Mrs. Rukhsana Zeb do
4. Mr. Sher Ali Khan do
5. Mr. Irfan Khan do

Item-6 **Consideration of admission of Mr. Jehanzeb possessing basic degree in Geology in M.Phil in the Department of Chemistry**

The Board discussed the matter in detail and held that it should be dealt with at the Departmental level as per HEC criteria. However the scholar may continue his M.Phil studies in the Department of Chemistry at his own risk.

Item-7 **Course work, research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Abid Khan, M.Phil scholar, Department of Mathematics**

The Board approved the course work and research topic with minor changes in the synopsis i.e., in the Aims and objectives and Plan of work. The concerned scholar was advised to change the references style and incorporate the suggested changes and send the synopsis so revised through the supervisor duly certified by the Dean of Sciences to the said effect to the admission office for record/reference.

Item-8 **Course work of M.Phil scholars in the Department of Sociology and Social Work**

The Board approved course work of the following scholars.

1. Mr. Ghufuran ur Rahman
2. Mr. Aftab Ali Khan

The Board advised the concerned chairman to send cases separately for the Department of Sociology and Department of Social Work for consideration of the board. The Board also suggested that separate transcript for each department may be designed.

Item-9 **Research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Tariq Sohail, M.Phil scholar, Department of Sociology and Social Work**

The Board approved the course work and modified research topic as "*Problems Faced by Deaf Students in Malakand Divison*".with minor changes in the synopsis i.e., the references style should be in accordance with the University's official format, typing errors be done away with and foot notes and tables be deleted. The concerned scholar was advised to incorporate the suggested changes and send the synopsis so revised through the supervisor duly certified by the Dean of Sciences to the said effect to the admission office for record/reference.

Item-10 **Research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Muhammad Asghar Khan, M.Phil scholar, Department of Sociology and Social Work**

The Board suggested that the research topic of the scholar and sampling method should be changed in consultation with Prof. Dr. Johar Ali. The Board also suggested some minor changes i.e., the typo errors be corrected and foot notes should be deleted. The concerned scholar and supervisor were advised to

incorporate all changes in the synopsis and the revised copy should be resubmitted for consideration of the board.

Item-11 **Research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Hayat Ullah, M.Phil. scholar, Department of Sociology and Social Work**

The Board approved the modified research topic as “*The impact of Television on youth in District Dir lower (A case study of Timergara)*” with minor changes in the synopsis. The concerned scholar was advised to incorporate the suggested changes and send the synopsis so revised through the supervisor with certification from the concerned Dean to the admission office for record/reference.

Item-12 **Course work, research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Umar Daraz, Ph.D scholar, Department of Sociology and Social Work**

The Board approved the course work of the scholar, however the research topic and research synopsis of the scholar were deferred due to major revisions.

Item-13 **Course work in Respect of M.Phil. scholars in the Department of Management Studies**

The Board deferred the course work of the scholars due to certain deficiencies in the respective transcripts. The Board directed the concerned Graduate Studies Committee to ensure the incorporation of course codes in the transcripts. Furthermore, the “*MS in Management*” should be replaced by “*MS Management Studies*” in the transcripts.

Item-14 **Research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Inayat Ullah, M.Phil. scholar, Department of Management Studies**

The Board deferred research topic and research synopsis of the scholar because of the reason that it was not presented in the approved format. The concerned scholar was advised to arrange the material as per approved format and bring it again for consideration of the Board.

The Board felt grave concern over the ignorance of the Department in general and Graduate Studies Committee in particular. The concerned GSC was directed to strictly follow the approved format for synopsis.

Item-15 **Research topic and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Rizwan Ullah, M.Phil. scholar, Department of Management Studies**

Decision as per Item No: 14.

Item-16 **Research topic and research synopsis of Mr. Raham Badshah, M.Phil. scholar, Department of Management Studies**

Decision as per Item No: 14.

Item-17 **Course work, research topic and research synopsis in respect of Mr. Zahoor Rahman M.Phil. scholar, Department of Management Studies**

Decision as per Item No: 13 and Item No: 14.

Miscellaneous

1. The Board directed all teaching departments to implement the approved format of synopsis and transcript. It was also decided that the concerned Chairmen and Dean of the faculty must ensure the implementation of the required format and respective bye-laws before recommending any case to the Board for consideration.
2. The Board decided that all teaching departments must bring the courses and credit hours taught at postgraduate level in line with the guidelines of the HEC, the university bye-laws and the decisions of the Academic Council and ASRB.