

RAMNARAIN RUIA AUTONOMOUS COLLEGE, MUMBAI-19
Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Studies in Political Science

Date: 21st August 2019

Time: 11.00 am

Venue: Department of Political Science

Members Present:

Sr. No.	Name
1	Vaibhavi Palsule
2	Gayatri Lele
3	Vikrant Pande
4	Prof. Uttara Sahasrabuddhe
5	Dr. Sanhita Joshi



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Agenda Item No. 1: To review and pass the syllabus for FY/SY/TY BA/BSc-(Even semesters) classes

DISCUSSED THAT

1. Syllabus of even semesters to be reviewed and passed
2. There is no need to make any changes
3. The changes already made are satisfactory.

RESOLVED THAT

1. There is no need to make any changes in the syllabus of even semester as the changes made are satisfactory.



Agenda Item No. 2: To decide on the changes in the modalities of assessment, is any, which includes the question paper pattern, for internal and external examination.

DISCUSSED THAT

- To advise on MCQ/Objective test of 20 marks for semester II, IV and VI

RESOLVED THAT

- MCQ/Objective test of 20 marks should be taken for semester II, IV and VI.



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Resolution Agenda Item No. 3: To approve the Certificate Courses with syllabi, duration, costing and evaluation, if any.

DISCUSSED THAT

- Certificate course was already approved in the earlier meeting

RESOLVED THAT

- The department can decide the starting of certificate course as and when possible and depending on the response of students.



Agenda Item No. 4:

- To review Questions Papers of previous exams
- Any other matter with permission of the Chair

DISCUSSED THAT

- Question paper quality is good and helps the students to think beyond textbooks

RESOLVED THAT

- Question paper quality is good and helps the students to think beyond textbooks



Signature:

HOD : Vaibhavi Palsule



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Date: 8th April 2020

Time: 11.30 am

Venue: Zoom Platform

Members Present:

Sr. No.	Name
1	Vaibhavi Palsule
2	Virendra Chauhan
3	Vikrant Pande
4	Chinmayi Khanvekar
5	Prof. Uttara Sahasrabuddhe
6	Dr. Amit Dholakia
7	Sameer Patil
8	Dr. Sanhita Joshi
9	Dr. Anushree Lokur
10	Dr. Sujata Suvarnapatki(on Audio)

Agenda of the online BOS meeting (Zoom) held on 8th April 2020 at 11.30

1. Feedback of the students on curricula
2. Approve the syllabus of TYBA - Political Thought
3. Question paper pattern for Internal and External Examination
4. To approve certificate course on Security Studies
5. To identify and approve 2-4 Certificate Courses offered by NPTEL Swayam /MOOC. (Students are to be encouraged to take up these courses)



Agenda Item No. 2: To decide on the changes in the modalities of assessment, is any, which includes the question paper pattern, for internal and external examination.

DISCUSSED THAT

- Modalities of internal and external examination for all semesters to be discussed and approved.

RESOLVED THAT

- The department will decide the question paper pattern for internal examination which may include MCQ/Objective test, short notes, open book exam for 20 marks



Agenda Item No. 1: To discuss the feedback of the students and to review and pass the syllabus for FY/SY/TY BA/BSc-(Odd and Even semesters) classes

DISCUSSED THAT

1. Syllabus of FYBA, SYBA and TYBA for odd and even semesters to be reviewed and passed
2. Based on the feedback of the students, Syllabus of TYBA – Political Thought and TYBA – American Political System to be discussed, make changes if required and passed.

RESOLVED THAT

1. Syllabus of FYBA, SYBA and TYBA is satisfactory.
2. Following changes should be introduced in the syllabus of TYBA- Political Thought and American Political System

Political Thought

- a. The paper will have 4 modules instead of three modules per semester
- b. In Semester V- Module 1 title should be "Statecraft and Power"
- c. In Semester V- Module on Multiculturalism to be replaced by module on Conservatism
- d. In Semester V- Additional module on liberalism with two thinkers to be added
- e. In Semester VI- Additional module on Democratic socialism with 2 thinkers to be added.
- f. In module on Feminism – gender perspectives should be covered thinker Pandita Ramabai to be removed.

American Political System

- a. The paper will have 4 modules instead of three modules per semester
- b. Instead of introducing any new module, the existing paper should be restructured
- c. Semester V- Module 1 should be divided into two modules. Module 2 will deal with Amendments to the Constitution.
- d. In module 2 – subtopic on Role of American Judiciary should be included.
- e. In Semester VI – module on Civil Rights Movements to be rearranged to include movements of LGBTQ



Agenda Item No. 3: To approve the Certificate Courses with syllabi, duration, costing and evaluation, if any.

DISCUSSED THAT

- Certificate course on Security studies with 3 credits and 45 contact hours to be introduced.

RESOLVED THAT

- The department can decide the starting of certificate course on security studies.
- After the detailed discussion on the syllabus following syllabus was adopted.
- As suggested by Principal Dr. Lokur, the issues such as biological weapons , biological warfare should be covered

Syllabus of Certificate course in Security Studies

Module 1: Security- Conceptual understanding

- Realist, green, gender, and Liberal approaches to security
- Common Security and Collective security
- Expanding notions of security – climate change, global warming and Human security

Module 2: Global security concerns

- War, Arms Races & Weapons of Mass Destruction
- Terrorism and Transnational Crimes
- Maritime security

Module 3: India's national security

- National Security establishment and structure
- Major security concerns – North East, Maoism, J and K
- Cyber security



Agenda Item No. 4:

To identify and approve 2-4 Certificate Courses offered by NPTEL Swayam /MOOC. (Students are to be encouraged to take up these courses)

DISCUSSED THAT

- Availability of such courses on these platforms

RESOLVED THAT

- No such courses for undergraduate students are currently available
- Principal Dr. Lokur suggested other courses such as course on Critical Thinking” . If Foundation Course and other departments have not suggested these courses, the department of Political Science can suggest such courses to the students.



Signature:

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