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**MEETING NOTICE**

**Sub:** Joint meeting of the Academic Council and Board of Studies to be held at Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama,Narendrapur, on 4 September 2015(Friday) at 2pm

Dear Sir

The joint meeting of the Academic Council and Board of Studies of the Faculty of 'Integrated Rural Development and Management (IRDM)' at our Faculty Centre at Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama, Narendrapur, Kolkata will be held as per the following schedule, to discuss the agenda given below. We earnestly request your kind presence at the meeting and participation in its deliberations.

**Date and time:** 4 September2015(Friday) at 2 pm

**Venue:** University's Academic-cum-Administrative Building of the Faculty of IRDM located at Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama, Narendrapur

**AGENDA**

1. Confirmation of the proceedings of the last meeting
2. Action taken report on the above
3. Activity report of MSc courses
4. National seminar to be held at IRDM faculty Centre
5. Approval of new projects running at IRDM faculty centre
6. Finalization of format of Ph.D. and M. Sc. theses
7. Status of admission during the session 2015-2017
8. Modus Operandi of collaborative research with ICAR institutes
9. Approval of members of advisory committee for newly admitted Ph.D. students
10. Post-facto approval of academic calendar for 2015-16 academic session
11. Any other matter with approval of chairman

Kindly accept my pranam

Yours sincerely

Swami Atmapriyananda  
Vice Chancellor

**Kindly note:**All the members of the Academic Council and Board of Studies are cordially invited for lunch at 1 pm before the meeting.

Joint meeting of the Academic Council and  
Board of Studies.  
Meeting No - 21

Date: 04.07.15

Time: 2 pm

Members Present

<u>Sl. No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Signature</u>
1.	SWAMI ATMAPRIYANANDA	
2.	SWAMI SARVAGANANDA	
3.	SWAMI SHIVAPURNANANDA	
4.	DR. MANAS GHOSH	
5.	Jayanki W. Datta	
6.	Dhobaleswar Konar	
7.	Somnath Bhattacharyya -	
8.	Dr. N. C. Sahu	
9.	Prof P. K. Nay	
10.	Dr. SWAGAT GHOSH	
11.	Dr. P. Kundu	
12.	Dr. Saikat Gantait	
13.	Dr. Sujit Mal	
14.	Dr. Sambudant Lohar	
15.	Anupam Mukherjee.	
16.	Kalyan Ganguly -	
17.	Ramitara Dutta	
18.	DEVIENDRA RAY CHAUDHURY	
19.	Amitava Chatterjee	
20.	<del>Dr. Manas Ghosh</del>	
20	<del>Swami Shivapurnananda</del>	
20	<del>Mr. Nasim Ali</del>	

Signature

**Proceedings of the 21<sup>st</sup> Joint Meeting of the Academic Council and Board of Studies held at Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama, Narendrapur, on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2015 at 2.00 pm**

**Members present at the meeting:**

1. Swami Atmapriyananda, Vice-Chancellor
2. Swami Sarvagananda, Administrative Head
3. Swami Shivapurnananda, Assistant administrative head
4. Dr. Manas Ghosh, Dean, IRDM Faculty Centre, Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University (RKMVU)
5. Dr. Jayanta Kr. Dutta, Professor (Retd), Burdwan University.
6. Dr. Dhabaleswar Konar, Ex-Director, Department of Agriculture, Govt. Of West Bengal.
7. Dr. Somnath Bhattacharya, Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding, BCKV, Mohanpur
8. Dr. Kalyan Ganguly, Invited Member
9. Dr. Amitava Chatterjee, Invited Member
10. Dr. P.K. Nag, Invited Member
11. Dr. Dinendra Raychoudhury, Honourary Professor, RKMVU, Invited member.
12. Dr. Narayan Chandra Sahu, Principal Scientist and Head, Sasya Shyamala KVK, Invited member
13. Mr. Amitava Dutta, Assistant Professor, IRDM Faculty Centre, RKMVU
14. Dr. Md. Nasim Ali, Assistant Professor, IRDM Faculty Centre, RKMVU
15. Dr. Prasenjit Kundu, Subject Matter Specialist, Sasya Shyamala KVK, Invited Member
16. Dr. Sarbaswarup Ghosh, Subject Matter Specialist, Sasya Shyamala KVK, Invited Member
17. Dr. Saikat Gantait, Sasya Shyamala KVK, Invited Member
18. Dr. Swapat Ghosh, Sasya Shyamala KVK, Invited Member
19. Dr. Sujit Mal, Sasya Shyamala KVK, Invited Member
20. Dr. Anupam Mukherjee, Sasya Shyamala KVK, Invited Member

Revered Swami Atmapriyananda, Honourable Vice Chancellor, took the Chair and agenda wise discussions were started as given below-

**Agenda 1. Confirmation of the proceedings of the last meeting held on the 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2014:** The proceedings of the previous meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2014 were read out and confirmed.

**Agenda 2. Action Taken Report and business arising from the proceedings of the last meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2014**

**a) A human ethical committee and an animal ethical committee:**

It was decided that the committee will be renamed as "Bioethics and Biosafety Committee". The committee was formed as mentioned below-

1. Chairman: Hon'ble Mr. Justice Pradip Chandra Ghosh, Sitting Judge of Supreme Court.
2. Member Secretary: Dean, IRDM Faculty Centre
3. Senior Scientist (Male)- Dr. Amitava Chatterjee, Emeritus Scientist, RKMVU
4. Senior Scientist (Female): Dr. Amita Pal, Bose Institute.

participated in the debate. Representatives from Calcutta Samaritans and Action Aid India interacted with the students and faculty members during the programme.

14. Mr. Avik Dey, Asst. Manager, (Development support unit), CRY-Child Rights and You, delivered a popular lecture on Career overview & Child Development with the students of M.Sc, ARD, 1<sup>st</sup> semester and 3<sup>rd</sup> semester students. Mr. Dey passed M.Sc. IRDM (Presently ARD) from RKMVU in the year 2012. The students enjoyed the opportunity and interacted with him throughout the session.
15. Forty four BSc (Hort.) students from Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya visited the IRDM Faculty Centre on 17 September 2014. Dr. Rupak Goswami and Dr. Md. Nasim Ali took one session each during the event and interacted with the students.
16. Students, Teachers and Staffs celebrated *Prak Puja Sammilani* and *Bijoya Sammilani* on 29.9.14 and 10.10.14, respectively before and after vacation of *Shri Shri Durga Puja*.
17. Teachers Day was observed at the Faculty Centre on 5 September 2014 with full enthusiasm of students and teachers. The teachers shared the importance and relevance of Teachers Day and the students expressed their respect through cultural offerings.
18. A meeting with the members of Bengal Economic Association was held at the IRDM Faculty Centre on 4 December 2014. The objective was to discuss the methodology and logistic support needed to conduct a situation analysis in four districts of Paschim Medinipur district. The Dean, faculty members and research scholars of RKMVU, members of BEA and villagers discussed on the issue.
19. Students and Staff of the Faculty Centre participated in a lecture session on "Protection of Plant Variety and Farmers right (PPV & FR) organized by *Sasya Shyamala Krishi Vigyan Kendra*.
20. Students of Semester-III, MSc ARD are working on their rural projects at Paruldaha village of Baruipur Block. They have made 5 field works during the reporting period.
21. The students of Barasat State University, as part their Rural Agricultural Works Programme visited the Faculty Centre on 9 and 11 March 2015. The faculty members and SMSs of the KVK took several sessions for these students.
22. Dr. S. Ayyappan, Director General ICAR, visited the Faculty Centre on 2 December 2014 and interacted with the students of the Centre on the future of agriculture sector, its future research and job prospects.
23. Dr. Rangasamy Maruthakutti, Professor, Dept. of Sociology, M.S. University, Tamil Nadu and Dr. Prabir Ghosh Dostidar, Scientist/Director, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Govt. of India, New Delhi delivered two lectures on Social Network Analysis at the IRDM Faculty Centre on 10 March 2015. They also interacted with the staffs and students of the Faculty Centre.
24. Dr. Subhrajit K. Saha, Assistant Professor at the Department of Biology, Georgia Southern University, US, delivered a talk titled "Agricultural Systems Across the Globe: An Experience Sharing" on 19 December 2014. Dr. Saha shared his experience of working in 25 countries and emphasized some of his recent research interests. The deliberation was followed by an informal interaction with the students of the Centre, who are aspiring to pursue higher studies in United States.
25. The students and staffs of the IRDM Faculty Centre participated in the Annual Celebration and Exhibition during 16-19 January 2015. The students hosted a stall on "Child Rights" during the programme and presented the theme with the help of models, posters, specimens etc. Different applications of Agricultural Biotechnology for agricultural development were also demonstrated.
26. The Students and Teachers of the Faculty Centre participated in the Concluding Programme of "Plant Variety Protection and Farmers' Right (PVP & FR) organized by *Sasya Shyamala Krishi Vigyan Kendra*, RKMVU at IRDM Faculty Centre on 12 March 2015. Farmers from different

blocks of south 24 parganas were invited to share their experience on protection of Indigenous varieties.

27. The IRDM Faculty Centre, in collaboration with BEA, is conducting a socio-economic survey in four villages of West Medinipur district. The outcome of this survey will be used to launch integrated rural development projects in that area. Four research scholars from the IRDM Faculty Centre conducted the preliminary survey during 4-7 June 2015 and will submit the survey report shortly.
28. IRDM Faculty Centre, in collaboration with International Plant Nutrition Institute (IPNI) - South Asia Program, and CIMMYT a one-day workshop on "Nutrient Expert: A Fertilizer Decision Support Tool for Maize" on January 30th, 2015 at the Narendrapur Campus of RKMVU. Prof. (Dr.) Saroj Sanyal, Ex Vice-Chancellor, Bidhan Chandra Krishi Viswavidyalaya, Dr. Dipak Sarkar, Former Director, NBSS & LUP, ICAR, and Dr. Pranab Kumar Nag, Professor, School of Environment & Disaster Management, RKMVU made keynote lectures. There were hands-on training for extension functionaries and a panel discussion on Efficient Nutrient Management.
29. IRDM Faculty Centre in collaboration with Bengal Economic Association (BEA) and with financial help from NABARD organised a national level seminar (35<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of BEA) during 21-22 March 2015 at the IRDM Faculty Centre. Swami Sarvaganda, Secretary, RKM Ashrama, Narendrapur delivered the inaugural address and Swami Atmapriyananda, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, RKMVU delivered the address of the Vice-Chancellor. Dr. Anil K. Thakur, Secretary, Indian Economic Association (IEA), Dr. V. Shanmugasundaram, Former President, IEA and Prof. Raj Kumar Sen, President, BEA was also present during the inaugural event. There were four memorial lecture sessions, one keynote lecture, three technical sessions, and one 'current topic' session in this two-day event. Father Felix Raj, Managing Editor BEA delivered the valedictory speech. More than 100 delegates participated in the two-day seminar.
30. Two day long BARC Interactive Programme on "Rural Technology for Entrepreneurship Development" in collaboration with Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Trombay, Mumbai - 400 085, India was organized by IRDM Faculty Centre and Sasya Shyamala Krishi Vigyan Kendra of Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University, Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama, Narendrapur, Kolkata-700103 on March 26-27, 2015. One hundred and twenty students (on first day) of different colleges and University and farmers of south 24 Parganas (on second day) participated in the workshop. Dr. Manas Gosh, the Dean of IRDM Faculty Centre delivered a welcome address. The inaugural address was given by Dr. Dinesh Kumar Srivastava, Director, Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre, Department of Atomic Energy, Kolkata. Padmashree Dr. S. P. Kale delivered a lecture on "Environmental Sustainability" for the students on the first day and on the second day he lectured on "Good Cultivation Practices and Organic farming" for the farmers. The distinguished scientists of BARC namely Dr. A. Badigannavar, Dr. S. Gautam, Dr. S. Datta, Dr. T. K. Dey, Dr. G. Ganesh and Dr. B. T. Mehrete delivered lectures on several related issues on Agriculture. Swami Sarvaganda, Secretary, RKM Ashrama, Narendrapur and Swami Atmapriyananda, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, RKMVU also addressed the gathering.
31. The Board of Management of Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University organized the tenth anniversary celebration of the foundation and the annual convocation of the University on 4 July 2015 (Saturday) at 2.00 pm at the Vivekananda Sabhagriha, Belur Math, Howrah. Dr. A. S. Khan Kumar, Hon'ble Chairman, Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) and Secretary, Department of Space, Government of India was graced the occasion as the Guest in Chief and delivered the convocation address and gave away the prizes and medals. The programme was presided over by Revered Swami Suhitanandaji Maharaj, Chancellor of the University and General Secretary of Ramakrishna Math and Ramakrishna Mission and he awarded the degrees and diplomas at the convocation. Sixteen students of AgBT and fourteen students of APBT of IRDM Faculty Centre took their degrees from the Convocation.

## B. STUDENTS' ACTIVITIES