

AGRICULTURE UNIVERSITY, KOTA

PROCEEDINGS OF 22nd MEETING OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL



Date : December 21, 2024

Time : 11:00 AM

**Venue : Conference Hall,
Agriculture University, Kota**

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The 22nd meeting of Academic Council of Agriculture University, Kota was held on December 21, 2024 at 11.00 AM in the Conference Hall, Agriculture University, Kota under the Chairmanship of Dr. A. K. Vyas, Vice-Chancellor, AU, Kota. The following were present:

Name	DESIGNATION	
Dr. A. K. Vyas	Vice-Chancellor, A.U., Kota	Chairman
Dr. S. K. Jain	Director Research, A.U., Kota	Member
Dr. Pratap Singh	Director Extension Education, A.U., Kota	Member
Dr. Mukesh Goyal	Director, PM&E, A.U., Kota	Member
Dr. Mahendra Singh	Director, HRD, A.U., Kota	Member
Dr. M. C. Jain	Director, Students' Welfare, A.U., Kota and	Member
Dr. Ashutosh Mishra	Dean, College of Horti. & Forestry, Jhalawar	Member
Dr. Virendra Singh	Dean, College of Agriculture, Ummedganj, Kota	Member
Dr. N. L. Meena	Dean, College of Agriculture, Hindoli	Member
Dr. S. C. Sharma	Controller of Examinations, A.U., Kota	Member
Dr. S. B. S. Pandey	Assoc. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Silviculture & Agroforestry, CH&F, Jhalawar	Member
Dr. B. S. Meena	Assoc. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Agronomy, ARS, Kota	Member
Dr. Preeti Verma	Assoc. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Genetics and Plant Breeding, ARS, Kota	Member
Dr. M. K. Sharma	Assoc. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Soil Science and Agriculture Chemistry, CoA, Kota	Member
Dr. C. B. Meena	Assoc. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Plant Pathology, CoA, Kota	Member
Dr. B. K. Patidar	Assoc. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Entomology, CoA, Kota	Member
Dr. K. C. Meena	Assoc. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Agricultural Extension and Communication, CoA, Kota	Member
Dr. Harish Verma	Prof. of Entomology, KVK, Bundi	Member
Dr. R. K. Rai	Ex-Prof. & Head, Division of Agronomy, IARI, New Delhi	Member
Prof. B. K. Sharma	Ex-Director Education, SKNAU, Jobner	Co-opted Member
Prof. Man Singh	Project Director, WTC, IARI, New Delhi	Co-opted Member
Prof. S. L. Mundra	Ex-Director Ext. Edu., MPUAT, Udaipur	Co-opted Member
Smt. Manisha Tiwari	Registrar, AU, Kota	Member
Sh. Ramdhan Raigar	Comptroller, A.U., Kota	Special Invitee
Dr. I. B. Maurya	Director Education, A.U., Kota	Member Secretary

Prof. B. L. Baser, Ex-Head, Department of Soil Science, RCA, Udaipur and Dr. Jitendra Singh, Professor & Head, Department of Fruit Science, CH&F, Jhalawar could not attend the meeting due to some unavoidable circumstances.

The meeting began with the University Kulgeet, followed by a brief progress report presented by Dr. I. B. Maurya, Member Secretary, detailing the University's advancements since the last Academic Council meeting.

At the outset, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and Chairman welcomed the distinguished dignitaries: Prof. R. K. Rai, former Professor & Head of the Division of Agronomy, IARI, New

Delhi; Prof. Man Singh, Project Director at the Water Technology Centre, IARI, New Delhi; Prof. B. K. Sharma, former Director of Education at SKNAU, Jobner; and Prof. S. L. Mundra, former Director of Extension Education at MPUAT, Udaipur.

In his opening remarks, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and Chairman expressed satisfaction with the significant progress made since last Academic Council and commended the contributions of the University officers to this development.

The agenda included various items related to the implementation of academic regulations recommended by the 6th Deans Committee of ICAR, the course curriculum for Agriculture, Horticulture, and Forestry faculties under NEP-2020, as proposed by the respective Board of Studies. Additionally, guidelines for key academic activities, the revised seat matrix for the College of Agriculture, the introduction of a unique code on degree documents, and the approval of revised daily allowances and kit money for students participating in inter-college and university events were presented for consideration by the Academic Council.

The Director of Education presented agenda items. After thorough discussions on each, the following resolutions were passed:

.Agenda Item No.	Particulars
AUK/AC-22/ 2024-02/01	<p>Confirmation of the Minutes of the 21st Academic Council Meeting Held on 17.05.2024</p> <p>It was resolved to confirm the minutes of 21st meeting of Academic Council held on 17.05.2024</p>
AUK/AC-22/ 2024-02/02	<p>Action Taken Report on the Proceedings of the 21st Meeting of the Academic Council (17.05.2024)</p> <p>It was resolved to approve Action Taken Report on the proceedings of 21st meeting of Academic Council held on 17.05.2024</p>
AUK/AC-22/ 2024-02/03	<p>To approve of the Proceedings of the 6th Board of Studies for the Faculty of Agriculture.</p> <p>The Academic Council deliberated extensively on the courses proposed by the Board of Studies (BoS), which were based on the recommendations of the ICAR 6th Deans' Committee Report and aligned with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The Chairman of the Faculty of Agriculture highlighted that 4-5% changes were made to various courses, incorporating local crops and topics tailored to regional needs. After thorough consideration and discussions, the Council resolved to approve the proceedings of the 6th BoS with the following modifications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of Common Academic Regulations as proposed by the 6th Deans committee report for B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture <p>The Council approved the implementation of common academic regulations recommended by the 6th Deans' Committee for the B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture degree program, as proposed by the BoS. (Annexure-I)</p> 2. Apprvl of the Course Curriculum for B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture <p>The Council approved the entire course curriculum as proposed by the BoS with the following amendment: (Annexure-II)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The elective course "<i>Commercial Seed Production</i>" from the Department of Agronomy was removed due to duplication with a similar course offered by the Department of Genetics and Plant

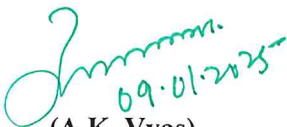
	<p>Breeding. Further, the course title was updated to "<i>Commercial Seed Production Technology</i>" to better align with its content.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The coding of Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC) with the prefix "ASEC." • Additionally, the credit load for the deficiency course <i>Mathematics</i> was increased to 2+0 for PCB stream students, making it equivalent to the deficiency course <i>Introductory Biology</i> (1+1) for PCM stream students. • The changes proposed by the BoS to the course content of certain Master's programs across various departments were approved. <p>3. Approval of Courses Committees of different departments</p> <p>The Council approved the constitution of course committees for various departments within the Faculty of Agriculture and the note of BoS for the course committee of the Department of Horticulture and Entomology were disapproved. (Annexure-III)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Dean, CoA, Kota</p>
<p>AUK/AC-22/ 2024-02/04</p>	<p>To approve of proceedings of the 10th Board of Studies of CHF, Jhalawar held on 29th November, 2024</p> <p>The Academic Council extensively deliberated on the courses proposed by the 10th Board of Studies (BoS) of the Faculty of Horticulture and Forestry (CHF), Jhalawar, during its meeting held on November 29, 2024. These proposals were based on the recommendations of the ICAR 6th Deans' Committee Report and aligned with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The Chairman of the Faculty of Horticulture and Forestry emphasized that the curriculum revisions included the incorporation of local crops and adjustments to course content (ranging from 3-5%) to address regional needs. After thorough discussions, the Council resolved to approve the proceedings of the 10th BoS with the following modifications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Implementation of Common Academic Regulations: Adoption of the common academic regulations recommended by the ICAR 6th Deans' Committee for the B.Sc. (Hons) Horticulture and B.Sc. (Hons.) Forestry degree programs, as proposed by the BoS. (Annexure-I) 2. Approval of Undergraduate Syllabus: Approval of the revised syllabus for undergraduate programs of the Faculty of Horticulture and Forestry, effective from the academic session 2024-25, including the addition of deficiency courses: (Annexure-IV) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductory Biology (1+1) for students with a PCM background. • Introductory Mathematics (2+0) for students with a PCB background. 3. Approval of Master's Program in Wildlife Management: It was resolved to rename M.Sc. Forestry (Wildlife Science) to M.Sc. (Forestry) Wildlife Management degree as well Department of Wildlife Management henceforth. Approval of the Master's program in Wildlife Management, with the following revisions:(Annexure-V) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total credit hours for minor courses adjusted to 6. • Provision to offer minor courses from any discipline under FRM/FPU/SILV/FBTI of Forestry, instead of limiting them to NRM. It was resolved to rename of NRM as FRM discipline and as a Department


	<p>in Forestry faculty to align with the BSMA recommendations.</p> <p>4. Prakrit Club (Nature Club): Approval of the operational framework of the Prakrit Club at the College of Horticulture and Forestry, Jhalawar. (Annexure-VI)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Dean, CHF, Jhalawar</p>																																																																		
AUK/AC-22/ 2024-02/05	<p>To approve of Guidelines for Implementing Key Academic Activities Proposed in the 6th Deans' Committee Report</p> <p>The meeting reviewed the guidelines for implementing various academic activities, including lateral entry, online courses, NCC/NSS activities, educational tours, examinations & evaluation systems, and student-related activities, as recommended in the 6th Deans' Committee Report. After thorough discussion, the following resolutions were made: (Annexure-VII)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proposed guidelines for <i>Online Courses</i>, <i>NCC/NSS activities</i>, and <i>Educational Tours</i> were approved for immediate implementation. 2. The proposed guidelines for <i>Lateral Entry</i> were deferred for further review and notification. It was resolved to continue with the existing system of Examination and Evaluation (MT:20 Marks as internal; Theory: 50 Marks as external and Practical: 30 Marks as internal/external) in the University until further notice. 3. Deficiency courses, such as <i>Introductory Biology</i> for students with a PCM background and <i>Introductory Mathematics</i> for those with a PCB background, will be introduced across all faculties (Agriculture, Horticulture, and Forestry) with a credit load of 2 (1+1 or 2+0 for mathematics and Biology background, respectively). 4. The guidelines for the <i>Student READY (RAW)</i> program were approved for all faculties. For the Horticulture faculty, <i>Experiential Learning</i> will be integrated into Module II, similar to the approach adopted for the Agriculture faculty. <p style="text-align: right;">Action: Director Education, AU, Kota</p>																																																																		
AUK/AC-22/ 2024-02/06	<p>Approval of Revised Seat Matrix for B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture, M.Sc. (Agri.), and Ph.D. Programs at the College of Agriculture, Ummедganj – Kota</p> <p>It was resolved to approve the revised seat matrix for the B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture, M.Sc. (Agri.), and Ph.D. programs at the College of Agriculture, Ummедganj – Kota, from Academic Session 2025-26.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th rowspan="2">S. No.</th> <th rowspan="2">Department</th> <th colspan="3">Seat for JET Exam</th> <th rowspan="2">ICAR seats</th> <th rowspan="2">Total</th> </tr> <tr> <th>Normal</th> <th>Payment</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture</td> <td>27</td> <td>25</td> <td>52</td> <td>13</td> <td>65</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>M.Sc. (Agri.) Agronomy</td> <td>02</td> <td>02</td> <td>04</td> <td>02</td> <td>06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>M.Sc. (Agri.) Genetics and Plant Breeding</td> <td>02</td> <td>02</td> <td>04</td> <td>02</td> <td>06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>M.Sc. (Agri.) Extension Education</td> <td>01</td> <td>02</td> <td>03</td> <td>01</td> <td>04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>M.Sc. (Agri.) Plant Pathology</td> <td>02</td> <td>02</td> <td>04</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>M.Sc. (Agri.) Soil Science</td> <td>02</td> <td>02</td> <td>04</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7</td> <td>Ph.D. Agronomy</td> <td>02</td> <td>01</td> <td>03</td> <td>01</td> <td>04</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8</td> <td>Ph.D. Genetics and Plant Breeding</td> <td>01</td> <td>01</td> <td>02</td> <td>01</td> <td>03</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	S. No.	Department	Seat for JET Exam			ICAR seats	Total	Normal	Payment	Total	1	B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture	27	25	52	13	65	2	M.Sc. (Agri.) Agronomy	02	02	04	02	06	3	M.Sc. (Agri.) Genetics and Plant Breeding	02	02	04	02	06	4	M.Sc. (Agri.) Extension Education	01	02	03	01	04	5	M.Sc. (Agri.) Plant Pathology	02	02	04	-	-	6	M.Sc. (Agri.) Soil Science	02	02	04	-	-	7	Ph.D. Agronomy	02	01	03	01	04	8	Ph.D. Genetics and Plant Breeding	01	01	02	01	03
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AUK/AC-22/ 2024-02/Table Agenda 03	<p>To review and approve the agendas of University Sports Board of AU Kota</p> <p>The Academic Council extensively discussed the agenda related to reviewing and approving the proposals of the University Sports Board. During the deliberations, Dr. R.K. Rai and Dr. Man Singh emphasized the need to align students' daily allowances with those offered to their peers. The students of AUK shall be at par with students of other SAUs of the state. After thorough consideration and discussions, the Council approved the following resolutions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The contingent size from each College is increased to 55 students. 2. Daily Allowances for students participating in inter-college and inter-university events are increased to ₹500 per day. 3. Kit allowances for participants in inter-college and inter-university events are increased to ₹800 and ₹1,500 per participant, respectively. 4. Students participating in both sports and cultural events will be eligible for kit allowances only once. 5. All expenditures will be met out from the Boys' Fund of the respective colleges. 6. Only those students will be eligible for inter-university participation who have participated intercollege in the same event during the particular year. 7. Maximum age limit to participate in the inter class/inter college sports-game and cultural events will be 25 years. 8. Separate ID cards will be issued by the DSW office to all participants for the inter college sports-game and cultural events on receipt of final list of participant from respective colleges. <p style="text-align: right;">Action: DSW, AU, Kota</p>

At the conclusion of the meeting, the external members of the Academic Council expressed their satisfaction with the University's progress and emphasized the importance of collective effort to advance the institution further.

The meeting concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks to the Chair and all members.


 (A.K. Vyas)
 Vice-Chancellor, AU, Kota
 Chairman


 (I.B. Maurya)
 Director Education &
 Member Secretary