

**MINUTES OF THE 40TH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL CHAIRED BY
PROF.(DR.) K.S. ANIL, HON'BLE VICE CHANCELLOR, HELD AT THE PERIYAR
HALL, COLLEGE OF VETERINARY AND ANIMAL SCIENCES, POOKODE ON
22.05.2025 AT 10.30 A.M.**

The following Members have attended the meeting,

1. Dr. P. Sudheer Babu. Registrar, KVASU.
2. Dr. C. Latha. Director of Academics and Research, KVASU.
3. Dr. T. S. Rajeev, Director of Entrepreneurship, KVASU.
4. Dr. Ally K, Dean(i/c), CVAS, Mannuthy.
5. Dr. S. Maya. Dean(i/c), CVAS, Pookode.
6. Dr. S. N. Rajakumar, Dean, VKIDFT, Mannuthy.
7. Dr. C B Devanand, Professor (Rtd), KVASU.
8. Dr. S. Sankaralingam, Special Officer, College of Avian Sciences and Management, Thiruvazhamkunnu, Palakkad.
9. Dr. Archana Chandran, Special Officer (i/c), College of Dairy Science and Technology, Pookode, Wayanad.
10. Dr. Bindu K. A., Professor & Head, Department of Animal Genetics and Breeding, CoVAS, Mannuthy.
11. Dr. N. Madhavan Unny, Professor & Head, Department of Veterinary Clinical Medicine, Ethics and Jurisprudence, CoVAS, Mannuthy.
12. Dr. Beena R. L., Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Dairy Technology, CDST, Kolahalamedu.
13. Dr. Abhilash R. S., Associate Professor, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Mannuthy.
14. Dr. Rejeesh R., Assistant Professor, CDST, Thiruvananthapuram.
15. Dr. Sarath R. C., (23-MVP-34), M.V.Sc student, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Pookode.

Special invitees:

1. Shri. Dinesan A. K., Finance Officer, KVASU.
2. Dr. Chintu Ravishankar, Associate Director of Research, KVASU.
3. Dr. Indu V Raj, Controller of Examinations, KVASU.
4. Dr. K. Karthiayini, Professor, Faculty Research Co-ordination, CVAS, Mannuthy.

The meeting started at 10.30 A.M. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed all members and special invitees to the meeting and informed that the University must revise all courses (other than those under VCI/ICAR) in line with NEP regulations before applying for ICAR accreditation in March 2026. Further it is mandatory to incorporate a basket of courses on the SWAYAM platform and MOOC platform. These courses should be accessible to students from our university as well as to external students. The Chairman stated that in accordance with the transition of courses under the Faculty of Dairy Science to the NEP (National Education Policy) mode, the responsibility for listing these courses on the SWAYAM and MOOC platform has been entrusted with the **Dean, VKIDFT**. The Dean has been directed to ensure the necessary actions are completed by **October 2025**. Following this, the chairman invited the Director of Academics and Research to present the agenda.

DAR informed that the Academic council members can submit the agenda to this office as soon as it is ready and need not wait for intimation of next academic council. She also informed that the PG Diploma courses are to be revised as per NEP guidelines and requested the Dean, CVAS, Mannuthy to

take necessary action.

The Council further decided that the University will issue certificates and result notifications with the student's name exactly as recorded on their 10th grade certificate. Therefore, at the time of admission, colleges must verify the student's name against their 10th grade certificate.

Decisions taken in the 40th meeting of the Academic Council on the Agenda Notes.

Item No.	Subject	Decision
40.A.	Minutes of the 39 th Academic Council Meeting held on 10.12.2024 -Reg.	Approved with the following correction. 1. In page No.9, item No. 39.E.11- use the word 'co-opt' instead of 'include'. 2. In the agenda item No. 39.E.12, 39.E.13, 39.E.14 and 39.E.15 use the term 'External member' instead of 'additional member'. (Page No.10)
40.B.	Action taken report on the decisions taken in the 39 th meeting of the Academic Council -Reg.	Approved with the following correction. 1. In page No.19, item No. 39.E.11- use the word 'co-opt' instead of 'include'. 2. In the agenda item No. 39.E.12, 39.E.13, 39.E.14 and 39.E.15 use the term 'External member' instead of 'additional member'. (Page No.19-20)
40.C.1	Modifications made to the existing rules for granting the KVASU Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) to postgraduate students (MVSc/ M.Tech) at the time of spot admission for the academic year 2024 - Ratification of action - Reg.	Ratified.
40.C.2	Ratification of decision under Removal of difficulties-Reg.	Ratified and decided that without recommendation and specific remarks of the Dean, Professor (Acad), HoD and Major advisor, the request will not be considered.
40.C.3	Temporary discontinuation of Ajmal Parveena K.M. (2020- BVM-03) 2020 admission BVSc &AH student College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Mannuthy for three days, from BVSc & AH course-To join as Livestock Inspector (Grade II) at Kerala Livestock Development Board Limited –Reporting -Reg.	Ratified.

40.D.1	Submission of additional report of the Committee constituted to evaluate the possibility to fill the remaining vacant seats after admission to PG (MVSc and M.Tech) programmes based on the ICAR-NTA score w.e.f the academic year 2025-26-Reg.	Approved.
40.D.2	Admission process- 2025-26 -PG and Ph.D. Reg.	<p>Approved with the following modifications in the agenda note,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In page number 31, Sl. No.3, Ph.D.in Biosciences should be modified as Ph.D. in subjects other than those under ICAR-BSMA regulations 2021 Ph.D. in Biosciences/Ph. D. in Climate Change & Animal Agriculture/ Ph.D. in Statistics. 2. In page No.32, a column for specific eligibility of the courses should be added to the table. Separate rows shall also be added for the courses, Ph.D in Climate Change and Animal Agriculture & Ph. D. in Statistics. 3. In Sl No. 4, Ph.D in Climate Change and Animal Agriculture to be deleted and subsequent serial numbers to be changed accordingly. 4. In page No.35, the title BSc. Poultry Production and Business Management should be modified as BSc. (Hons.) Poultry Production and Business Management. 5. In Page No. 37, 2nd row in the selection process, should be modified as “PhD in Biosciences/ Ph.D. in Climate Change and Animal Agriculture/ Ph.D. in Statistics. 6. In page No.38, the selection process for the MSc.programmes and PG Diploma programmes should be modified as “Selection shall be done on the basis of the rank list prepared based on the Marks/OGPA secured in the qualifying examination.” 7. As there is no entrance examination for the MSc and PG Diploma programmes from the academic year 2025-26, dates mentioned against the above programmes in the admission schedule (on page No.38, Table IV) should be excluded.
40.D.3	Guidelines of PG and Ph.D. Admission Reg	Approved.

	Admission. -Reg.	
40.D.4	Revision of regulations and syllabi of PhD programmes other than those under ICAR-BSMA -Reg.	<p>Approved with the following corrections.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In page No.124, change the academic year in the 'Title' as 2025 and in 'Scope' as 2025-26. 2. In page No. 125, the 'System of education'- change '100 days 'to '100 working days'. 3. In page No.126, Sl. No.8, Mode of selection, delete the paragraph under 'For 2024 admission' and delete the heading 'From 2025 admission onwards'. 4. In page No.128 under Sl. No.13 'Advisory committee' modify the second paragraph under 13.4 as 'Provided that in areas /disciplines where there is no or only a limited number of, peer-reviewed or refereed journals, the above condition may be relaxed for recognition of a person as Major Advisor with reasons recorded in writing'. 5. In page No.132, clause 27.1- the sentence should be modified as "The external experts appointed by the Dean shall be not below the rank of Professor/Associate Professor.
40.D.5	Proposal for revising academic regulations of MS/MSc programmes of KVASU in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	<p>Approved with the following modifications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In page 193, Sl.No.5, in Selection process: delete the paragraph and add 'As detailed in the prospectus'. 2. In page 202, add Clause 22.4: If a student of M.Sc. programme has not successfully completed any of the courses prescribed at the end of the programme due to attendance shortage, he/she has to register for those courses in the subsequent semesters by remitting an amount of tuition fee (25 per cent) and all other fees. (He/she shall not be allowed to remain unregistered in the subsequent semesters). 3. In page No.198 & 212, clause 17.2.2 'Bridge course': The course code for the bridge courses (ASC 501 and ASC 502) should be changed; the Faculty Dean is entrusted to make a separate code for the bridge course. 4. In page 213, Clause 19.1 should be modified as "The performance of this students will be evaluated through internal assessment and thesis evaluation by a board of examiners including an external expert not below the rank of

		Associate Professor” 5. The modifications mentioned in general by the council regarding the Evaluation of coursework and CGPA requirements, is to be incorporated.
40.D.6	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of MSc Animal Science in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	Approved with modifications mentioned in general, by the Council.
40.D.7	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of MSc (Applied Toxicology) in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	Approved with modifications mentioned in general, by the Council.
40.D.8	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of MSc Biochemistry and Molecular Biology in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	Approved with the modifications mentioned in general, by the Council.
40.D.9	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Animal Biotechnology in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	Approved with the modifications mentioned in general, by the Council.
40.D.10	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of M.Sc. Applied Microbiology in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	Approved with the modifications mentioned in general, by the Council. In page No. 297, the code for credit seminar (AMB 508) should be changed as AMB 591.
40.D.11	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of M.Sc.Biostatistics in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	Approved with the modifications mentioned in general, by the Council.
40.D.12	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with a detailed budget) of M.Sc.Quality Control in the Dairy Industry in accordance with NEP 2020	Approved with the modifications mentioned in general, by the Council.

	industry in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	
40.D.13	Proposal for revision of regulation and syllabus of BSc PPBM programme to change the course into four-year BSc (Hons.) PPBM with multiple entry and exit, majoring Poultry Production and Minorng Business Management as per NEP 2020 and ICAR Dean's committee Report-Reg.	The proposal shall be modified as suggested, in accordance with NEP regulations. Upon approval of the Board of Studies (BoS), it will be considered in the Special Meeting of the Academic Council, tentatively scheduled for June 2025, in hybrid mode.
40.D.14	Requirement of additional faculty positions and other facilities in the CASM, TVKM to implement four-year BSc (Hons.) PPBM programme-Reg.	The proposal will be considered in the Special Meeting of the Academic Council, tentatively scheduled for June 2025, in hybrid mode.
40.D.15	Proposal for revising the academic regulations of Diploma programmes of KVASU in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines -Reg.	The proposal shall be modified as suggested, in accordance with NEP regulations. It will be considered in the Special Meeting of the Academic Council, tentatively scheduled for June 2025, in hybrid mode.
40.D.16	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of Diploma in Dairy Science in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines -Reg.	The proposal shall be modified as suggested, in accordance with NEP regulations. It will be considered in the Special Meeting of the Academic Council, tentatively scheduled for June 2025, in hybrid mode.
40.D.17	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of Diploma in Feed Technology in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines-Reg.	The proposal shall be modified as suggested, in accordance with NEP regulations. It will be considered in the Special Meeting of the Academic Council, tentatively scheduled for June 2025, in hybrid mode.
40.D.18	Proposal for revising the syllabus (along with detailed budget) of Diploma in Laboratory Techniques in accordance with NEP 2020 guidelines -Reg.	The proposal shall be modified as suggested, in accordance with NEP regulations. It will be considered in the Special Meeting of the Academic Council, tentatively scheduled for June 2025, in hybrid mode.
40.D.19	Proposal for starting a 'Diploma in Livestock Production Management' for tribal youth-Reg.	The proposal shall be modified as suggested, in accordance with NEP regulations. It will be considered in the Special Meeting of the Academic Council, tentatively scheduled for June 2025, in hybrid mode.
		<p>Approved with the following modifications,</p> <p>1. In page No.621, Sl.No.5 of the table, Note under the heading 'Number of seats' should be modified as Note: A limited number of seats will be reserved for ICAR sponsored candidates.</p>

40.D.20	Faculty of Dairy Science – Sixth Dean’s Committee report – Academic regulations for B.Tech (Dairy Technology) and B.Tech (Food Technology) from 2024 Admission onwards – Modifications as per Sixth BoS decision – Reg.	<p>Dairy Farm Instructors, Dairy Diploma holders, Children of farm labourers of KVASU, Candidates of Meghalaya origin, Candidates excelled in sports, Children of Defence personnel killed/missing/disabled and serving Defence personnel.</p> <p>2.In page No.626, the clause 17.4 should be modified as “The tuition fees for admitted students shall be as decided by KVASU from time to time”.</p> <p>3. On page No. 630, under clause 22.2 (Internal Evaluation), in place of the words ' to be deleted', the contents of the 3rd column of the table (Internal Theory, Quiz and Mid term) of 22.1 should be inserted in words and serial numbers to be modified (a,b,c,d).</p> <p>4.In page No.643, Clause 35.25.b, should be modified as “External Theory (50%) Internal Theory (50%).</p>
40.D.21	Request for amending the regulations regarding the sanctioning of Merit Cum Means Scholarship to students of various colleges under KVASU-Reg.	The proposal should be submitted in the next meeting of the Academic Council after legal vetting.
40.D.22	Reconstitution of Advisory Committee of Doctoral and Postgraduate Students-Reg.	A committee comprising the Deans of CVAS, Mannuthy; CVAS, Pookode; and VKIDFT, Mannuthy has been entrusted with the responsibility of submitting a report in the next meeting of the Academic Council.
40.D.23	External member to the advisory committee of Ms. Devamalini B S (24-DCM-01) PhD CAADECCS-Reg.	Approved.
40.D.24	Approval of Doctoral research proposals of 2021, 2022 & 2023 Admission Ph.D Students - from College of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Mannuthy and from College of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Pookode-Reg.	Approved.
40.D.25	കെ വി എ എസ് യു - ഡി എ ആർ - പരീക്ഷ ഭവൻ കേന്ദ്രീകരിച്ച് നൽകുന്ന സേവനങ്ങളുടെ ഫീസ് പുതുക്കുന്നതും, ഫീസ് ഈടാക്കാതെ നൽകുന്ന സേവനങ്ങളുടെ ഫീസ് നിശ്ചയിക്കുന്നതും സംബന്ധിച്ച്	To be discussed in the next meeting of Academic Council with Justification.
	Submission of a note before the Academic Council seeking opinion	

40.D.26	regarding amendment to the existing provision for granting internal deputation for Ph.D. Study-Reg.	Rejected.
40.E.1	Resolution- Ensuring mandatory requirement of placing all research works of postgraduate and doctoral programmes for approval and Animal Ethics Certificate of the Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) for publication of research papers in journal- Resolution to Academic Council- Reg.	Deferred.
40.E.2	KVASU –Reference citation style – change required-Reg.	Approved.
40.E.3	Proposal of inclusion of ‘Relaxation of attendance on medical ground will not be granted if the student does not submit the request and relevant documents within seven days of termination of the leave on medical grounds’ to the clause 23.3.8 of the Academic Regulations for the BVSc and AH Degree Programme-Reg.	Approved with the following modification, To clause 23.3.8 of the Academic Regulations for the BVSc and AH Degree Programme, “Relaxation of attendance on medical ground will not be granted if the student does not submit the request and relevant documents within 21 days of termination of the leave on medical ground” should be included.
40.E.4	Proposal of ‘Students who fail in the IV professional year and subsequently register with the junior batch for the IV professional year, will be eligible only for proportionate relaxation in attendance as per clause 23.1 of the academic regulations based on the number of working days remaining for the IV professional year when the student registers for the course afresh’ – Reg.	Rejected.
40.E.5	MSc ഡിപ്ലോമ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് കൂടി 10% OD/MEDICAL ലീവ് അനുവദിക്കുന്നത് സംബന്ധിച്ച്	Approved.
40.E.6	Review and Revision of KVASU Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) for M.V.Sc. Programme-Reg.	Approved as given in agenda 40.D.3- Guidelines for PG & Ph.D admission.
		Approved with the following decisions, 1. In ICAR-BSMA Restructured and revised syllabi for post graduate programmes (2021) In MVSc page No. 268, 310,363 under heading Minor Courses for MVSc degree programmes

40.E.7	Proposal for including MVSc & PhD students to take minor subjects from more than one discipline and clinical subjects as minor subjects-Reg.	the first sentence is modified as 'Courses of any department/discipline from the list given below'. In Ph.D (page No. 279, 334 & 385) under Heading 'Minor Courses for Ph.D degree programme' the first sentence modified as 'Courses of any department/discipline from the list given below'. 2. Rejected.
OA.1	Complaints Received Regarding the Conduct of Study Tours for the Third and Fourth Year of the B.V.Sc. & A.H. Programme – Proposal for Revamping the Academic Regulations for the conduct study tour	1.The Council has suggested to empanel tour operators and this empanelment process will be carried out by inviting Expressions of Interest (EoI) . 2. In the Academic Handbook, 3 rd edition, page no. 29, clause 40.5, delete the sentences: However, a part of the compensation preferably one week shall be carried out in a college/ institution outside the state. The compensation shall be done only after the tour period. The Instructional farms of the colleges shall be exempted for undergoing the tour compensatory farm training.
OA.2	Request for designating external members of the Advisory Committee as Co-guide	Approved. The change of designation as Co-guide will be considered upon receiving a specific request from the External member.

General Modifications for UG/PG/Ph.D. Programmes following NEP regulations

In alignment with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, UGC Minimum standards of instructions for the grant of Undergraduate degree and Postgraduate Degree Regulation, 2025 and UGC Minimum standards and procedures for award of Ph.D. Degree Regulation, 2022 and to ensure uniformity across academic programmes, (Ph.D programmes other than those under ICAR-BSMA, MS, MSc, PG Diploma, BSc (Hons) PPBM and Diploma Courses) the following general modifications shall be implemented with immediate effect:

1. Attendance

A minimum of **80% attendance** is mandatory for all students for a course (In theory & practical separately). And additional **10% absence is permitted to students for attending official duties (OD)** as directed by the authorities or **medical leave**, upon submission of valid certificate.

2. Grading System

The terms **SGPA (Semester Grade Point Average)** and **CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average)** shall be used consistently across all academic documents and reports. The use of **OGPA** is hereby discontinued.

3. Evaluation of Course work and CGPA requirement to pass

- For **MS/MSc/PG Diploma/BSc (Hons.) PPBM and Diploma courses**:
 1. In each course a separate minimum of 50 % is required for theory and practical.
 2. A Minimum CGPA of 5.0/10 is required to pass.
- For **Ph.D. programmes other than those under ICAR-BSMA**:
 1. In each course a separate minimum of 55 % is required for theory and practical.
 2. A Minimum CGPA of 5.5/10 is required to pass.

4. Syllabus Structure

- * The **Theory** and **Practical** components of each course shall be categorized as **separate Units**.
- * The terms “**Module**” or “**Lecture**” shall **not** be used in place of “Unit” under any circumstances.
- * Reference books to be given in each syllabus.

5. Course Detailing

For courses, especially those carrying **2+1 credits (2 Theory + 1 Practical)**, the contents under each Unit shall be **expanded and detailed appropriately** to reflect depth and practical relevance.

6. For BSc (Hons.) PPBM and Diploma programmes

A. Credit Distribution

- * A minimum of **50% of total credits** are allocated to **Major (Core) Courses**.
- * The remaining **50% credits** shall be dedicated to **Skill Enhancement Programmes, Internships, Apprenticeships, or Multidisciplinary Subjects**.

B. Skill Enhancement Programmes

- * All students must complete **Skill Enhancement Programmes-SEP- of total of 6 credits** during the **first year** of their course.

C. Exit Option – First Year of Undergraduate Programme of BSc (Hons.) PPBM and Diploma

- * Students exiting the programme after the **first year** must complete a total of 40 credits and a **4-credit Skill Enhancement Course-SEC (Internship) of 5-week duration** over and above the 40 credits for the award of ‘**Undergraduate Certificate**’.
- * Students shall be allowed to join back in the second year before the expiry of the credits earned, subject to a maximum duration of 7 years.

D. Exit Option – Second Year of Undergraduate Programme of BSc (Hons.) PPBM Course

- * Students exiting the programme after the **second year** must complete a total of 80 credits and a **4 credit Skill Enhancement Course (Internship) 5-week duration** over and above the 80 credits for the award of ‘**Undergraduate Diploma**’.
- * Students shall be allowed join back in the third year before the expiry of the credits earned, subject to a maximum duration of 7 years.

E. Exit Option – Third Year of Undergraduate Programme

- * Students exiting the programme after the **third year** must complete a total of 120 credits and a **4-credit Skill Enhancement Course (Internship) of 5-week duration** over and above the 120 credits for the award of ‘**Undergraduate Degree**’.
- * Students can resume the forth year Undergraduate Programme before the expiry of the credits earned, subject to a maximum duration of 7 years.

F. System of education- use “100 working days” instead of “100 days”

The meeting came to an end by 2.45 P.M. with a vote of thanks from the Director of Academics and Research.

Approved by Dr. ANIL K.S. (VICE CHANCELLOR) on 10/06/2025 07:45 PM
(The document is digitally approved and does not require any Seal or Signature in original)

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