

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY
SACRED HEART COLLEGE, THEVARA (AUTONOMOUS)

Minutes of the Board of Studies meeting held on 01.11.2014

The meeting started at 10 AM. with a silent prayer. Prof. R. K. Varghese, Head of the Department of Sociology welcomed the members.

The committee members made the following suggestions with regard to the implementation of autonomy and syllabus of BA Sociology course.

1. The existing syllabus should be reviewed and make necessary modifications.
2. Students should get a clear idea of career opportunities by the end of the programme.
3. Syllabus should be framed, keeping an eye on making students employable and entrepreneurial.
4. Upgrade the Department by introducing PG course in Sociology.

The committee reviewed the existing syllabus and made the following decisions:

1. In the 1st Semester Paper of Methodology and Perspective in Social Science, the IVth module may be replaced by the topic 'The Emergence of Sociology in India'. Prof. Elizabeth would frame the content.
2. In the 2nd Semester, the title of the paper 'Essence of Sociology' has to be changed to 'Fundamentals of Sociology' and also include topics of Socialisation and Social control. Prof. Benny Varghese would frame the same.
3. Decided to make more clarity to the topics and subtopics of both papers of the 3rd Sem. (In charge -Prof. Sibi)
4. In the IV semester, the existing paper 'Social Stratification' may be replaced by 'Sociology of Indian Society' containing topics of current social issues including gender and changes in the social values. (Dr. Gladis will be in-charge)
5. The paper Environment of Society of the IVth Semester should be shifted to Semester VI in the place of Gerontology. The area of sustainable development should be emphasised in this course and a new paper 'Life Skill Education and Personality

Development' should be introduced in the IVth semester. (In-charge Dr. Sara Neena)
No other change is presented to Vth Semester papers.

6. In the VI semester, Gerontology is replaced by Environment of Society.
7. Decision has also been taken to introduce a paper on Human Resource Management. (In- charge Prof. R. K. Varghese)
8. **Following are the new courses proposed**
 - **Fundamentals of Sociology**
 - **Perspectives on Indian Society**
 - **Life Skill Education**
 - **Culture and Society**
 - **Social Pathology**
 - **Urban Sociology**
 - **Media and Society**
9. **The following courses underwent major revision**
 - **Basic Concepts in Sociology**
 - **Foundations of Sociological Thought**
 - **Social Structure and Change in India**
 - **Elements of Social Psychology**
 - **Sociology of Work and Industry**
10. It was decided to follow CBCSS pattern in UG course

Other important decisions taken:

1. Conduct Outreach/Exposure/Social Service Programme for each class at least once a year in relation with the papers taught. Marks should be given for the same (Internal).
2. Project work may be conducted either group wise or individual wise. Project report should be 40-50 pages.
3. Project will be evaluated externally with 75% marks and internally with 25% marks. The work of the project should be started in the IVth semester and submitted by the end of Vth semester.

The meeting came to an end with the vote of thanks proposed by Prof. Sibi K. I.

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