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Proceedings of the video conference meeting of all the Pharmacy Principals of RGUHS affiliated colleges held on 05th May 2020 at 11:00am at Atreya board room, 1st Floor, RGUHS, Jayanagar, Bangalore.

Members present:

1. Dr. S. Sacchidanand, Vice Chancellor,
2. Mr. Shivanand Kapashi, IAS Registrar,
3. Dr. Shobha Rani Hiremath, Dean – Faculty of Pharmacy.
4. Dr. Shivkumarswamy, BOS (PG)
5. Dr. Nalini , G K. Director, DCD, RGUHS
6. Dr. B Y Yuvaraj, Deputy Registrar
7. Dr. Roopashree, T. S. Asst Registrar

Members Participated Online

8. Principals of all the Pharmacy colleges affiliated to RGUHS via Webex

Agenda: To discuss the following concerns raised by the Pharmacy college Principals.

1. Affiliation related
2. Admissions
3. Academics
4. Examinations/Dissertation
5. Industrial training For B. Pharm and Internship for Pharm. D students.
6. Promotion to higher semester and course completion for final year students.
7. Miscellaneous.

Deliberations:

Dr. S. Sacchidanand, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, RGUHS welcomed the participants and briefed about the agenda of the meeting.


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SL. NO.	AGENDA	SUGGESTIONS AND DECISIONS
1	AFFILIATION for the academic year 2020-21 (Continuation/Fresh)	<p>I. Many Principals expressed that due to COVID 19 situation there might be delay in the affiliation process and suggested granting of "Continuation of affiliation" for the year 2020-2021 without conducting inspection from LIC.</p> <p>II. Dean and Chairman BOS(PG) have suggested that inspection from LIC needs to be conducted for the colleges who have got PCI approval to start new college for the year 2020-2021 or earlier. If those colleges have not applied before last date, a late fee can be collected.</p> <p>Decision: Discussions are going on in Syndicate and Senate and a decision will be arrived at shortly.</p>
2	ADMISSIONS	<p>I. To extend last date of admission upto November 2020. Many Principals requested for fixing 30.11.2020 as last date for admissions.</p> <p>Decision: Admission process will be as per KEA notifications and two officers of RGUHS are continuously in follow up with KEA in admission related matters for all the courses affiliated to RGUHS.</p>
3	ACADEMICS	<p>I. Conduct of online classes and attendance for students.</p> <p>II. Commencement of classes for higher semester.</p> <p>Decision:</p> <p>I. All the colleges are instructed to conduct online classes for the students using interactive online platforms. (sending materials through mail / whatsapp cannot be considered as class)</p>


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		<p>Attendance: A recorded video of online classes should be preserved with the faculty /college / Library. Same can be shared to students either by whatsapp or You tube link can be generated and shared. Recorded videos can be shared offline through pendrive / memory card.</p> <p>II. If the examinations are not held for the existing semesters before June / July 2020, all the students will have to attend the classes for higher semester which is tentatively scheduled from 15th July 2020. This is only tentative schedule which may either be preponed or postponed based on the directions given by GOI/GOK/Apex bodies. Classes can be of either regular classroom teaching or online mode depending on COVID19 situation.</p>
4	EXAMINATION / DISSERTATION	<p>I. Conduct of sessionals / Internal exams and submission of marks.</p> <p>II. Semester/ Annual exam.</p> <p>III. How to proceed with the practical classes.</p> <p>IV. Submission of M. Pharm Dissertation.</p> <p>Decision:</p> <p>I. All internal exams including Re-sessionals can be conducted either by online mode or regular as per the facilities and convenience of the individual institutions and the average marks should be submitted to the university. <u>Last date for submission of IA marks is scheduled one week prior to Final examination of that particular semester whenever it is notified by the university.</u></p> <p>II. If situation of COVID 19 permits, examinations for all Pharmacy courses can be held in June/July 2020 otherwise <u>examinations will be held 4 to 6 weeks after the inter-district and interstate borders open for travel and transportation.</u></p> <p>III. Practical classes should be conducted soon after the commencement of the regular classes once the COVID 19 situation subsides and institutions restart as per government directions. Upon completion of the practical classes of previous semester, theory / practical classes of higher semester shall resume.</p>


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		<p>IV. Date of submission of M.Pharm dissertation to RGUHS is 30.06.2020 and with fine of Rs.1500/- per candidate till 15/07/2020, with fine of Rs. 4000/- per candidate upto 30/07/2020. (RGUHS notification no.DSW / COE/2018-19 dated 19.03.2018.)</p>
5	<p>INDUSTRIAL TRAINING FOR B.PHARM STUDENTS</p> <p>And</p> <p>INTERNSHIP FOR PHARM. D STUDENTS</p>	<p>I. How should student undergo industrial training in the present situation?</p> <p>II. Internship is pending for Pharm.D students</p> <p>Decision:</p> <p>I. Students can undergo regular training if regular options are available. Observing the current situation due to COVID 19, university will make arrangements for online industrial training module in collaboration with professional bodies such as IPA/ PTI/APTI.</p> <p>II. Pharm. D students are allowed to do internship in any hospital approved by PCI within India and foreign students who have gone to their home countries are permitted to do internship in a super specialty hospital situated in their country provided approval of the Dean/Principal of the Pharm.D College where the student is studying allows the same. During the internship, the intern shall maintain and submit a record of work duly verified and certified by the preceptor under whom internship is done.</p> <p>Pharm.D students who need to complete their internship may be engaged using case based studies/ OSCE through remote teaching and where possible to be given credit to the number of days engaged in such structured learning process as per PCI directions dated 02/05/2020 (Ref no.14-218/2013-PCI)</p>


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6	<p>PROMOTION TO HIGHER SEMESTER And COURSE COMPLETION FOR FINAL YEAR B.PHARM, M.PHARM AND PHARM. D</p>	<p>I. How to promote students for higher semesters?</p> <p>II. If examination is delayed many of the students may lose many job / career opportunities. How to safeguard the interest of student's future?</p> <p>III. In view of COVID19 situation it was requested by principals to extend carry over benefit for all subjects till course completion of existing batch.</p>
<p>Decision:</p>		<p>University is bound to protect the interest of the students with regard to duration of course.</p>
<p>I. Hence students will be given Carry over benefit to the higher semesters / classes if examinations are not conducted on time.</p> <p>II. Matter is put up before Dean and BOS who will suggest the criteria and modalities of carry over benefit. This will be notified shortly upon taking decision in Academic council and syndicate.</p>		<p>III. FINAL YEAR B.PHARM, M.PHARM AND PHARM. D</p>
<p>If examinations / Presentations for M.Pharm are not conducted in June/July2020, Hon. Vice Chancellor promised to refer the matter of "Carry Over Benefit" and "COURSE COMPLETION CERTIFICATE" for final year students to respective BOS and Academic council for further deliberations.</p>		
7	<p>MISCELLANEOUS</p>	<p>I. Hard copy submission of Ph.D half yearly progress report.</p>
<p>Decision: Half yearly Ph.D progress reports can be submitted through online only.</p>		<p>II. Conduct of Practical classes Decision: Upon resuming of regular classes practical classes of previous semesters should be conducted continuously before start of higher semester theory and Practical. Extra classes may also be conducted. Holidays / Sundays can also be utilized for this purpose.</p>


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		<p>III Technical issues related to online uploading of Dissertation</p> <p>Decision: They may contact Curriculum Development Department, RGUHS.</p> <p>Email: dcdrguhs@gmail.com</p> <p>Phone: 020 26961937.</p> <p>IV. Request for release of pending examination Bills</p> <p>Decision: Will be resolved shortly. Registrar (Evaluation) and Finance officer are directed to resolve this issue.</p> <p>V. Difficulties in conduct of online classes</p> <p>Decision: Hon. Vice chancellor expressed that he is aware that both faculty and students are having problems in conducting/attending online classes respectively due to various reasons such as acceptability, access, effectiveness, technical issues, internet connectivity etc. This is an unexpected and extraordinary situation which the entire globe is facing due to COVID 19. All should do their best to safeguard the interest of the students in order to avoid loss of academic year and try to complete the course within the scheduled period. Hence the entire faculty must get themselves updated and accepting the situation, face the reality, motivate and make use of digital technology in best possible way. Recorded online classes should be made available to students to be viewed in offline mode whenever they get time and access to internet connectivity.</p> <p>VI. Guidelines for Student admission</p> <p>Decision: In view of COVID 19 situation if regular exams are not held in Jun/July 2020, University will permit colleges to start higher semester by allowing them to make admissions.</p>
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		VII	RGUHS Lecture series Decision: It was proposed to develop a data base of video lectures as per RGUHS syllabus for Pharmacy subjects involving competent teaching staff of Pharmacy colleges. Matter is referred to BOS and Academic Council.
		VIII	Purchase of Software Decision: The committee constituted to develop or purchase of software related to Pharmacology will be revived.


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