

Minutes of meeting

The Department of Biotechnology conducted an online meeting of the Board of Studies on 20th February 2021 at 9:30 am.

Following members attended the meeting:

1. Dr. Usha Mukundan, Director HVPS Ramniranjan jhunjhunwala College
2. Dr. Sucheta Golwalkar, Head, Department of Biotechnology
3. Dr. Smruti Thombare, Assistant professor, Department of Biotechnology
4. Dr. Tania Karipel, Assistant professor, Department of Biotechnology
5. Dr. Rachana Acharya, Assistant professor, Department of Biotechnology
6. Ms. Saleha Khan, Assistant professor, Department of Biotechnology
7. Ms. Smita Jadhav, Lecturer, Department of Biotechnology
8. Ms. Jasvinder Kaushal, Lecturer, Department of Biotechnology
9. Dr. Deepali Karkhanis, Mumbai University Representative.
10. Dr. Arpita Gupte, D.Y. Patil University.
11. Dr. Purvi Bhatt NMIMS University
12. Dr. Vishal Narang, Industry Representative

Mr. Nachiket Sawant (Alumni) was unable to attend the meeting because of prior commitments.

Dr. Namrata Parab (Assistant Prof, department of Biotech) was unable to attend the meeting due to health issues.

Following points were discussed in the meeting:

1. It was proposed and passed in the earlier BOS meeting that MSc Part II students will enrol and complete a module of NPTEL Swayam for a duration of 12 weeks (decided by the department) which would be assessed and marks will be included as their project marks. It was informed to all BOS members that Students have completed NPTEL courses successfully and marks are included as project marks in their marksheet.
2. It was informed to all the BOS members that the Department of Biotechnology will be starting a new weekend course, Post graduate diploma programme on industrial hygiene. The syllabus for the same will be mailed to BOS members for approval.
3. Suggestions for revising the FYBSc syllabus specifically for including the topic on Human values and ethics were asked to all BOS members. Dr. Arpita Gupte will be sharing the syllabus which D.Y. Patil University follows for their Food science programme along with the reference material.
4. Information regarding increasing 2 credits at FY from next academic year was shared with BOS members. The changes for the same will be incorporated in the syllabus and shared with them for approval.
5. The BOS members also shared the information regarding the pattern of distribution of credits in their respective universities.