MINUTES of the meeting of the Apex Advisory Committee for SWAYAM held on the 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 at 3.00 P.M. in the Committee Room No.1 of the Central Registry, under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the University.

The following members were present:

- 1. Prof. Rakesh Bhatnagar, Vice-Chancellor ..... In Chair
- 2. Prof. A. Vaishampyan, Director, Institute of Agricultural Sciences
- 3. Prof. Kavita Shah, Director, Institute of Environment & Sustainable Development
- 4. Prof. Raj Kumar, Director, Institute of Management Studies
- 5. Prof. Naveen Kumar, Director, Institute of Science
- 6. Prof. Jai Prakash, Dean, Faculty of Medicine
- 7. Prof. Neelam Mittal, Dean, Faculty of Dental Sciences
- 8. Prof. D.K. Sharma, Dean, Faculty of Law
- 9. Prof. G.S. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Environment & Sustainable Development
- 10. Prof. C.P. Mall, Dean, Faculty of Commerce
- 11. Prof. Srinivas Pandey, Dean, Faculty of Arts
- 12. Prof. Birendra Mishra, Dean, Faculty of Performing Arts
- 13. Prof. Chandrama Pandey, Dean, Faculty of S.V.D.V.
- 14. Prof. D.P. Mohanti, Dean, Faculty of Visual Arts
- 15. Prof. R.P. Pathak, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences
- 16. Prof. A.P. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Agriculture
- 17. Prof. Seema Singh, Dean, Faculty of Education
- 18. The Rep. of Dean, Faculty of Ayurveda
- 19. Prof. Vivek Singh, Department of Computer Science, Institute of Science, SWAYAM-Coordinator (USC)
- 20. Dr. Neeraj Tripathi, Registrar
- 21. Shri M.K. Pandey, Controller of Examinations
- 22. Dr. S.B. Patel, Finance Officer
- 23. The Deputy Registrar (Academic), Member Secretary

At the outset, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor welcomed the members of the Committee. Thereafter, the Vice-Chancellor invited Prof. Vivek Singh, UGC-SWAYAM Coordinator to make a presentation on different aspects of SWAYAM.

Prof. Singh made a brief presentation on the nature and implementation framework of SWAYAM. He informed that it's a flagship project of MHRD being implemented through 9 national coordinating bodies, including UGC. There are two aspects to implementation of project in BHU. First is to adopt courses in SWAYAM in the regular course structure of various programs of the University. For this purpose, UGC has already issued UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) Regulations 2016. Second is to persuade faculty members to design courses for SWAYAM, particularly in the areas not yet covered by SWAYAM. For this purpose, UGC/ MHRD provide appropriate monetary support.

The Apex Committee resolved the following for speedy and streamlined execution of SWAYAM in BHU:

- All Directors/ Deans, who have yet not nominated their Faculty Coordinators for SWAYAM Executive Committee, were requested to do so it immediately as already requested earlier vide Notification No.R/GAD/Misc./59/61987 dated 26/27.03.2018. It was also resolved that the referred to Executive Committee will also monitor the Digital Learning activities of the University.
- 2. It was resolved that Directors of the Institutes/ Deans of the Faculties will take necessary steps for organizing Board of Studies meetings for all departments/

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courses in their institute/ faculty and make enabling provision for incorporating SWAYAM courses in course structure of all the programs, initially at PG level. Each program can have a provision of up to a maximum of 20% of the total credits in it, to be assigned to courses from SWAYAM. Subsequently these enabling provisions may be endorsed by the next academic bodies, i.e., Board of Studies, Faculty, Academic Council and Executive Council. It was decided that this process should be completed before commencement of next academic session, i.e., 2018-19.

- 3. The UGC SWAYAM Coordinator informed that list of courses offered on SWAYAM platform are made available twice every year (in the months of June and November) on the SWAYAM Website: <a href="www.swayam.gov.in">www.swayam.gov.in</a>. It was resolved that respective Board of Studies (BOS) may meet immediately after the course list is available and select the courses for the running semester. The BOS may also authorize its chairperson to do so.
- 4. A need was felt to organize workshops for spreading awareness about SWAYAM in the University at various levels. It was resolved that some initial fund for this purpose will be provided by the University. The Finance Officer was requested to do the needful.
- 5. All Directors/ Deans were also requested to take necessary steps for installation of SWAYAMPRABHA DTH and Television at a suitable place to be identified by each Faculty so that students can view the educational contents on different SWAYAMPRABHA channels. It was also resolved that the installation of SWAYAMPRABHA DTH and Television in all the 16 Faculties, through a single vendor, are to be initiated/coordinated by the Office of the Finance (Purchase) at the earliest.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

DEPUTY REGISTRAR (ACADEMIC)

SWAYAM-COORDINATOR

VICE-CHANCELLOR