Minutes of the Board of Studies in B. Sc., Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology and M.Sc. Biotechnology held on 21.03.2019 (Thursday) at 10.30 a.m. in MRF Hall, Department of Plant Biology and Biotechnology, Loyola College (Autonomous), Chennai – 600 034.

S. No.	Name	Institution	Signature
1.	Dr. N. Mathivanan	Professor & Head cum Director Centre for Advanced Studies in Botany, University of Madras, Guindy Campus, Chennai – 600025 (University Nominee)	
2.	Dr. S. Uma Gowrie	Associate Professor, Dept. of Plant Biology and Plant Biotechnology Ethiraj College for Women Chennai- 600 008 (College Nominee)	S. Museyman
3.	Dr. W. Charles Emmanuel Jebaraj	Professor & Head, Department of Biotechnology, Sri. Ramachandra University, Porur, Chennai -600 116 (College Nominee)	Csould 21/3/19.
4.	Dr. D.V.L. Saradha	Associate Professor, Department of Biotechnology, SRM University, Kattankulathur – Chennai, 6000 (College Nominee)	Jan 1 2019
5.	Mr. V.X. Rosario Muthu Rajan	Manager, Zifo RnD Solutions Chennai – 600 015 (Industrial Expert)	_
6.	Dr. R. Vinoth	Post-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Biotechnology, Indian Institute of Technology, Chennai -600 036 (Prominent Alumnus)	_
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13.	Dr. R. Jeyachandran	Co-ordinator- M. Sc., Biotechnology Loyola College, Chennai-34	James
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19.	Dr. R. Ravindhran (Chairman)	Head, Dept. of Plant Biology and Biotechnology Loyola College Chennai - 34	L. hud.

The Board of Studies reviewed and approved the new restructured curriculum for UG and syllabus for Ist year UG (Major core and Allied Required I). The Board also approved the restructured M.Phil. curriculum (Ist and IInd Semester) to be offered from 2019 onwards. The Board analyzed the semester results of November 2019 and suggested certain measures to improve the results.

The minutes of the board of studies is enclosed herewith.

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Date: 21/03/2019

Time: 10.30 a.m.

Venue: Botany Lab

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES MEETING

Dr. N. Mathivanan (University nominee), Dr. R. Vinoth (Alumnus) and Mr. Rosario (Industrial Expert) expressed their inability to attend the BoS meeting.

Agenda 1: Approval of the Restructured Curriculum (2019) for UG.

The student's representative for UG expressed their difficulties to study subjects like Algae and fungi in the Ist semester. They also suggested that it is better to offer papers such as Cell Biology and Evolution, Plant Anatomy and Embryology during the Ist semester.

Suggestions by Board Members

- Members discussed based on the suggestion given by the students representative and felt that it is better to start with cell structure and internal organization of tissues in plants. Therefore the board recommended that Cell Biology and Evolution & Plant Anatomy and Embryology should be offered during Ist semester.
- Detailed discussion on the syllabus for all the papers offered during Ist year was made and approved.

Agenda 2: Approval of the Restructured Curriculum (2019) for M.Phil Plant Biology and Biotechnology.

- The board discussed on the restructured curriculum for M.Phil and approved it. The
 detailed syllabus for Paper I and Paper II was presented and discussed.
- Paper I: Research Methodology: 20% Revision in unit V- Research Writing.
- Paper II: Advances in Plant Science: New Paper (100%). Course consists of Algal and Fungal Biotechnology, Plant Microbe Interaction, Plant Tissue Culture, Plant Biotechnology and Bioethics, Plants in Energy and Bioremediation.
- The syllabus was then approved after making minor changes.

Agenda 3: Review of the results of the previous semester examinations (November 2019)

· B. Sc., results improved comparatively in all the three years to a certain extent. The overall result of PG is satisfactory.

Suggestions by Board Members

- Peer group learning can be strengthened and arrear students can be put in groups and encouraged to do group study with the help of bright students.
- Group activity can be monitored periodically by the faculty members and mentors.

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