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## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES of the DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH HELD ON 23.02.17

The Board of Studies of the Department of English was held on 23.02.17 at 12.20 p.m. in MRF Hall. The main agenda was discussion and approval of the restructured M.Phil (ELT) Syllabus. In addition to this an Allied paper, English for Mass Media was presented for approval.

### 1. M.Phil (ELT) – Syllabuses of 4 papers

The first paper taken up for discussion was RHETORIC AND RESEARCH METHODOLOGY. The external experts were impressed by the scope and uniqueness of the syllabus. The inclusion of SPSS under the research methodology section was appreciated by the Industrial representative Mr. Mark. The next paper SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION was thoroughly discussed. The ELT experts of the department remarked that this core paper takes into consideration all the relevant inputs in the area and is neatly structured. The above two papers will be taught in Semester 1.

In the second semester, the third paper, called a SPECIALIZATION PAPER deals exclusively with the candidates' area of research. He/She needs to prove their competence and knowledge of the area chosen for research. The fourth paper DISSERTATION involves guidance and the actual task of writing the dissertation by the candidate. After elaborate discussion and queries the M.Phil Syllabuses were approved.

### 2. English for Mass Media

This paper which is offered as an Allied Course in the II Semester has been extensively revised. During the discussion a few suggestions to update the syllabus with the current trends in the field was insisted by Professors who are experts in Journalism. All the suggestions have been incorporated and the paper was approved.

The Board of Studies meeting came to a close at 1.15 p.m.

