



OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
MORIGAON COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)
MORIGAON, ASSAM

Minutes of the 2nd meeting of the Academic Council, Morigaon College (Autonomous) held in hybrid mode on 22 January 2026 at 12 noon in Dr. Himangsu Sarmah Memorial Conference Hall & online via goglemeet <https://meetgoogle.com/qao-orkr-haa>

The following members were present in the meeting:

Sl. No	Name & Designation	Portfolio	Remarks
1.	Dr. Lila Kanta Barthakur Principal Morigaon College Autonomous	Chairperson Academic Council	Attended in-person
2.	Prof. Krishna Gopal Bhattacharyya Dept. of Chemistry Assam Downtown University & Former Director UGC-ASC Gauhati University	GB's Nominee	Attended online
3.	Dr. Dibyajyoti Mahanta Chairman, Eastern Regional Center (ERC). NCTE	GB's Nominee	Attended online
4.	Mr. P. K. Poddar Advocate Guwahati High Court Guwahati	GB's Nominee	Attended in-person
5.	Prof. Prasanta Sharma HoD Department of Commerce Gauhati University	VC's Nominee	Attended in-person
6.	Prof. Madhurjya Prasad Bora Dept. of Physics Gauhati University	VC's Nominee	Attended online
7.	Prof. Barnali Sarma Department of History Gauhati University	VC's Nominee	Attended online

8.	Dr. Sanjib Hussain Thakuria Associate Prof. Dept. of Philosophy	Principal's Nominee	Attended in-person
9.	Dr. Ajit Konwar Coordinator IQAC Morigaon College (Autonomous)	Principal's Nominee	Attended in-person
10.	Dr. Hemanta Kumar Nath Associate Prof. Dept. of Geography	Controller of Examinations Morigaon College (Autonomous)	Attended in-person
11.	Dr. Saradashree Choudhury Assistant Prof. Dept. of English	Member Secretary, Academic Council	Attended in-person
12.	Ms. Prashati Bhattacharjee Head Dept. of Business Management	Member	Attended in-person
13.	Dr. Mriganka Shekhar Pathak Head Dept. of Accountancy	Member	Attended in-person
14.	Dr. Pranjeet Das Head Dept. of Banking/ Finance	Member	Attended in-person
15.	Dr. Diganta Kumar Nath Head Dept. of English	Member	Attended in-person
16.	Dr. Nilamani Phukan Head Dept. of Philosophy	Member	Attended in-person
17.	Dr. Arunima Sarma Head Dept. of Chemistry	Member	Attended in-person
18.	Dr. Chayanika Saikia Head Dept of Hindi	Member	Attended in-person
19.	Dr. Pallabi Hazarika Head Dept. of Political Science	Member	Attended in-person
20.	Ms. Suman Das Head Dept. History	Member	Attended in-person
21.	Ms. Nabanika Sarkar Head Dept. of Computer Application	Member	Attended in-person
22.	Mr. Babul Talukdar Head Department of Physics	Member	Attended In-person
23.	Dr Chandan Sharma Head Dept. of Economics	Member	Attended in-person

24.	Mr. Trideep Chetia Head Dept. of Botany	Member	Attended in-person
25.	Mr. Agustin Terang Head Dept. of Education	Member	Attended in-person
26.	Ms. Upashana Gogoi Head Dept. of Mathematics	Member	Attended in-person
27.	Dr. Abdul Quium Osmani Head Dept of Zoology	Member	Attended in-person
28.	Dr. Samutjal Saikia Head Department of Assamese	Member	Attended in-person
29.	Dr. Nilofar Jasmin Head Dept. of Anthropology	Member	Attended in-person
30.	Dr. Pranab Jyoti Sarma Head Dept. of Geography	Member	Attended in-person

Members Absent in the meeting:

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1.	Prof. Arup Kumar Misra Chairman Assam Pollution Control Board	GB's Nominee	Absent
2.	Mr. Ranjib Sarma Chairman Sitajakhala Dugdha Utpadak Somobaie Somiti Ltd.	GB's Nominee	Absent
3.	Dr. Parag Jyoti Mahanta Assistant Prof. Department of Economics	Principal's Nominee	Absent
4.	Mr. Prafulla Kumar Bora Assistant Prof. Department of Mathematics	Principal's Nominee	Absent

The Member Secretary of the Academic Council, Dr. Saradashree Choudhury, extended a warm welcome to all members and requested the Honourable Chairperson of the Academic Council, Dr. Lila Kanta Barthakur, Principal, Morigaon College (Autonomous), to chair the meeting. For initiating the proceedings, the Member Secretary handed over the **Agenda** of the Meeting to the Chairperson, containing the following items:

1. Taking of the Chair.

2. Condolence on the demise of Mr. Nabakanta Bordoloi, retired faculty of English and Mr. Danda Pratap Singh, retired employee of Morigaon College.
3. Statement of the Objectives of the meeting.
4. Approval of the Minutes of the Academic Council's meeting held on 16/08/2025.
5. Approval of the draft "Morigaon College Autonomous Regulations for the Four-Year Undergraduate Programmes (FYUGP) and Post Graduate Programme.
6. Approval of FYUGP syllabi up to the second semester as submitted by the respective Boards of Studies (BoS).
7. Approval of Certificate Courses as submitted by the concerned Boards of Studies.
8. Approval of the Academic Calendar and Holiday List (Calendar year 2026).
9. Approval of the draft "Rules and Regulations of Examination: Morigaoin College (Autonomous)."
10. Approval of Rules and Regulations concerning Admission Norms and Criteria.
11. Regarding the introduction of PG Programme in the Departments of English, Assamese, Political Science, and Commerce, as per the direction of the Governing Body of Morigaon College (Autonomous).
12. Others.

The taking of the Chair was followed by 'one-minute silent prayer' in honour of the departed souls of Shri Naba Kanta Bordoloi, retired faculty member of the Department of English & Mr. Danda Pratap Singh, retired employee of Morigaon College. The condolence was followed by stating the objectives of the meeting. The Member Secretary, Dr. Saradashree Choudhury articulated on the significance of the agenda, highlighting the items that awaited the approval of the Council before being implemented by the College. She expressed that the tasks outlined by the Council in its 1st meeting, dated 16/08/2025 were carried out by the concerned committees and Boards of Studies of the respective Departments and that all such drafts would be brought up in the meeting for discussion and approval.

The Chairperson apprised the Council of the items on the agenda, which were taken up for discussion, as per their order of appearance:

Item No. 4: Approval of the Minutes of the Academic Council's Meeting held on 16/8/2025.

The Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Academic Council, held on 16/8/2025, were read out by the Member Secretary. She briefed the house on the resolutions adopted in the 1st meeting, along with their implementation and actions taken by the College against each Resolution. The members expressed contentment with the implementation of the Minutes and opined that the same may be approved by the Council. Honourable member, Prof. Prasanta Sarma, suggested that a separate Action Taken Report could be prepared and circulated among the members during or prior to a meeting.

Resolution No. 1 (a): It is resolved that the Minutes of the 1st meeting of the Academic Council, held on 16/8/2025, is hereby unanimously approved in the meeting held today, that is, on 22/01/2026.

Resolution No. 1 (b): It is resolved hereby, to entrust the Member Secretary with the task of preparing an ‘Action Taken Report’ against the Minutes and Resolutions of every meeting of the Academic Council, henceforth.

Item No. 5: Approval of the draft “Morigaon College Autonomous Regulations for the Four-Year Undergraduate Programmes (FYUGP) and Post Graduate Programme”.

The Draft Regulation governing the UG and PG courses of study was placed for review and approval. As the draft was bulky, the honourable GB nominees and VC nominees present in the meeting, urged the Member Secretary to circulate the same as email attachment for the purpose of detailed perusal. The Council decided to consider the Draft in its next meeting after making a thorough study of the same. The honourable Chairperson opined that an online meeting could be held in a month’s time, for necessary approval of the Draft Regulation, consequent upon due perusal of the same, by the honourable members.

Resolution No. 2: Be it resolved that the Draft Regulation governing the UG and PG courses of study be taken up for review and necessary approval after detailed and thorough perusal by the members. Be it also resolved that, an online meeting be convened before 10 March, 2026 for discussion and approval of the same.

Item No. 6: Approval of FYUGP syllabi and PG syllabi up to the Second Semester as submitted by the respective Boards of Studies (BoS).

The Member Secretary apprised the house that the BoS of each department of Morigaon College (Autonomous) has prepared the syllabi of semester 1 & 2 of their UG & existing PG Programmes. She informed that the BoS-approved syllabi of each department has been duly submitted to the Council for its due approval. The honourable members discussed the matter and unanimously decided that as the subject experts of the Boards of Studies have thoroughly scrutinized and framed the syllabi, the same could be approved by the Council in this meeting, enabling the college to take the necessary steps for their implementation. The members randomly selected the courses for perusal and expressed satisfaction with the framed syllabi.

The Chairperson expressed that since the syllabi is being prepared in a phased manner, the Departments need to gear up next for framing the syllabi of UG Semester 3 and 4 & PG Semester 3 and 4. The Council approved of the opinion of the Chairperson and decided that all the Departments of Morigaon College (Autonomous) would prepare and submit the BoS-approved syllabi of Semester 3 and 4 to the Chairperson/Member Secretary on or before 15 April, 2026 for onward submission to the Academic Council in its subsequent meeting.

Resolution No. 3 (a): Be it resolved that the Semester 1 & Semester 2 syllabi of all UG & PG programs offered by Morigaon College (Autonomous) be approved by the Academic Council. Be it also resolved that the newly framed

syllabi be implemented by the College from the current even semester, keeping in tune with the spirit of autonomy conferred upon it.

Resolution No. 3 (b): Be it resolved that the BoS-approved syllabi of Semester 3 & 4 of UG programmes and existing PG programmes be submitted by the respective departments to the Chairperson/Member Secretary on or before 15 April 2026, for onward submission to the Academic Council in its subsequent meeting for necessary approval.

Item No. 7: Approval of Certificate Courses as submitted by the concerned Boards of Studies.

The Chairperson apprised the Council that in accordance with Resolution No. 7 of the meeting dated 16/8/2025, the Departments of Botany, Mathematics, Geography, Banking/Finance and Computer Applications have submitted the newly framed and BoS-approved syllabi of Certificate Courses for UG students. He also apprised that the Boards of Studies of the Departments of English, Philosophy, and Hindi have accorded permission to the offering of an existing Certificate course from the list of Certificate Courses offered in recent years by the respective departments, which was deemed appropriate in catering to the needs of the students. The members of the Council decided that, since the framed syllabi have been thoroughly perused by the members of the BoS, ruling out any anomalies or incongruities, the same could be approved by the Council for due implementation by the College. The Chairperson exhorted the other departments to submit the BoS-approved syllabi of Certificate Courses of their respective Departments on or before 15 April, 2026 for necessary approval of the Council. Honourable member, Prof. Barnali Sarma opined that the Departments could consider UGC recommended subjects and topics in the framing of the syllabi of the Certificate Courses.

Resolution No. 4: Be it resolved that the BoS-approved Certificate Courses of the following Departments be approved by the Council:

Sl No.	Name of the Department	Title of the Certificate Course	Credit
1.	Botany	Mushroom Cultivation	2
2.	Mathematics	Quantitative Aptitude	2
3.	Geography	Basics of Remote Sensing, GIS and GPS	2
4.	Banking/Finance	Event Management	2
5.	Computer Applications	Advanced Computer Application	4
		Cyber Security	2
6.	English	English Grammar and Usage	2
7.	Philosophy	Soft Skill in Lecture, Anchoring and Job Interview	2
8.	Hindi	बोलचाल हिन्दी (Bolchaal Hindi)	2

Item No. 8: Approval of the Academic Calendar and Holiday List (Calendar year 2026).

The Chairperson apprised the house that a committee was constituted for the preparation of the Academic Calendar and Holiday List (Calendar Year 2026) of Morigaon College (Autonomous). He informed that the committee has submitted the draft of the Academic Calendar and Holiday List for perusal and approval by the Council. Honourable members of the said committee, Dr Nilamani Phukan and Dr Diganta Kumar Nath made a presentation of the draft. After threadbare discussion, it was decided that the draft Holiday List, 2026 could be provisionally approved by the Council, and the final approval be accorded by the Governing Body.

The members, however, opined that the draft Academic Calendar has to be made more elaborate and detailed, before it could be approved in the Council. It was decided that the draft Academic Calendar has to be revised as per suggestions made by the members of the Council, in order that, it could be submitted for approval along with the Draft Regulations of UG & PG Programmes in the online meeting to be scheduled before 10 March, 2026.

Resolution No. 5 (a): It is hereby resolved that the draft Holiday List for Calendar Year, 2026, be provisionally approved by the Academic Council and the same be further placed in the Governing Body Meeting for final approval.

Resolution No. 5 (b): It is resolved that the draft Academic Calendar be resubmitted as a more elaborate and detailed draft as per the suggestions and recommendations offered by the honourable members of the Council. It is also resolved that the revised draft be placed for approval in the online meeting scheduled before 10 March, 2026.

Item No. 9: Approval of the draft “Rules and Regulations of Examination: Morigaon College (Autonomous).”

A presentation of the draft “Rules and Regulations of Examination: Morigaon College (Autonomous)” was made by Dr. Hemanta Kumar Nath, Controller of Examinations, Morigaon College (Autonomous). After discussions and deliberations, the members of the Council expressed satisfaction with the framing of the Examination Regulations and recommended that the draft be approved. As per Resolution No. 12 of the Council’s meeting, dated 16/8/2025, the members asked the Chairperson of the Academic Council to forward the approved Examination Regulations to the Governing Body for final approval.

Resolution No. 6: Be it resolved hereby that draft “Rules and Regulations of Examination: Morigaon College (Autonomous)” be accorded the approval of the Council and the same be forwarded to the Governing Body for necessary final approval.

Item No. 10: Approval of Rules and Regulations concerning Admission Norms and criteria.

Announcing the item on the Agenda, the Chairperson informed the Council that a committee was formed to prepare the rules and regulations governing Admission norms and criteria with

Dr. Nilofar Jasmin, HoD of Anthropology, as the Convener. The Chairperson then requested Dr. Jasmin to present the draft titled, “Morigaon College (Autonomous) Admission Policy-2025”. Upon completion of the presentation, the members discussed and interacted on certain aspects of the draft and unanimously accorded it due approval. The Council recommended that the approved Admission Policy be henceforth implemented by the College in matters related to admission.

Resolution No. 7: Be it resolved that the draft “Morigaon College (Autonomous) Admission Policy-2025” be approved by the Council and the same be recommended for implementation by the College in all admission related matters.

Item No. 11: Regarding the introduction of PG programme in the Departments of English, Assamese, Political Science, and Commerce, as per the direction of the Governing Body of Morigaon College (Autonomous).

Taking up the next item on the agenda, the Chairperson apprised the Council that the Governing Body, vide Resolution No. 7 of meeting dated 26/12/2025 has accorded permission to the College to introduce PG Programme in the Departments of English, Assamese, Political Science and Commerce from the next academic session, starting from August, 2026. He emphasized that the aforementioned departments must prepare the syllabi of their respective PG programmes well ahead in time for the session beginning from August, 2026. After discussion on the matter, the members of the Council decided that the aforementioned departments would submit the BoS-approved syllabi of Semester 1 & 2 of their respective PG programme to the Chairperson/ Member Secretary on or before 15 April, 2026 for onward submission to the Council for necessary approval.

Resolution No. 8: It is hereby resolved that as the departments of English, Assamese, Political Science and Commerce have been accorded permission by the Governing Body to start PG programme from August, 2026, the said departments would prepare and submit the BoS-approved syllabi of Semester 1 & 2 to the Chairperson/Member Secretary on or before 15 April, 2026 for further submission to the Academic Council for its due approval.

Item No. 12: Others.

Taking up the last item in the Agenda, the Chairperson apprised that as per resolution No. 9a of the Council’s meeting dated 16/08/2025, which states:

It is resolved to follow the ongoing PG admission procedure of Gauhati University for the current academic session. It is also resolved to finalise the procedure of UG and PG admission (considering options viz. PG entrance test conducted by Gauhati University, CUET, separate entrance test conducted by the College), in the next meeting of the Council”

a final decision needs to be taken whether Morigaon College, as an Autonomous institution, would consider options viz. CUET or separate entrance test for admission in its UG and PG programmes. Honourable members, Prof. Prasanta Sarma & Prof. Krishna Gopal Bhattacharyya expressed their views that, as the college caters to the needs of students hailing primarily from rural and economically challenged backgrounds, considering CUET at the time of admission in the next academic session would be a hasty decision as it would lessen the chances of the local students getting admission in Morigaon College (Autonomous). The members considered the matter in the light of this reason and decided that granting of Autonomous status should not act as a hindrance, making the College inaccessible to the economically challenged and local aspirants. The members decided that in the upcoming academic session and the next, the College would continue the existing system of admission to its UG and PG programmes; that is, the cut-off mark-list of marks obtained in HS Final examination for applicants to UG programmes and the merit list of the entrance test conducted by Gauhati University for admission to its PG programmes. However, options viz. CUET could be considered for admission in the future when deemed appropriate and fit. All the members unanimously expressed satisfaction on the decision of the Council and the following resolution was taken:

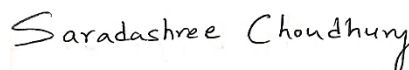
Resolution No. 9: Be it resolved that, as Morigaon College has recently obtained Autonomous Status, the existing admission procedure be followed by the College, for admission of students to its UG and PG programmes in the academic session 2026-27 and the next. Thereby, the College would consider the cut-off mark-list of marks obtained in HS Final examination for admission to UG programmes and the merit list of the Entrance Test conducted by Gauhati University for admission to its PG programmes. It is also resolved that the national-level entrance examinations viz. CUET etc. would be considered by the College in the future, when deemed fit and appropriate.

As no item has been left for discussion, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chair.



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