BSc (Honours) CHEMISTRY: STUDENT-FACULTY COMMITTEE Minutes of the Meeting, Semesters-I, IV, VI (2021)

The ONLINE meeting was held on Tuesday, 16 February 2021 at 4:00 pm via Zoom platform.

Members Present:

Chair:

Dr. Shabnam Johry (Head, Department of Chemistry)

Faculty:

Dr. Vibha Sharma

Dr. Violet Rajeshwari Macwan

BSc (Hons) Chemistry Students' Representatives:

Yogita & Aravind Ravi (I Year) Ridhima Raina & Shiv Akhil Vasandani (II Year) Disha Kashyap & Pravesh Kumar (III Year)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 04.05 pm.

During the meeting the following points were discussed:

- 1. The Chair formally announced that each first, second- and third-year BSc (Hons) Chemistry student would be assigned a faculty member from the Chemistry Department as his/her mentor. The list of mentors would be shared with each class of students shortly. The students could freely approach their respective teacher-mentors for any academic and personal matter or concern.
- 2. The Chair further notified that since the theory examinations for the first-year students would begin from 15 March 2021, their written practical OBE would be conducted in the first week of March by their respective practical class teachers.
- 3. The third-year students had no major challenge or concern. However, they wondered whether their theory and practical examinations would be conducted online or offline. Also, they wanted to know about whether their attendance would be included in the internal assessment for this semester. Since no clear information was available on these matters, the Chair assured the students that she would immediately notify them if she comes to know anything in this regard from Delhi University.
- 4. The second-year students also shared similar concerns as that of third-year students. Moreover, they found studying online quite difficult and double the effort. They also inquired if they were allowed to visit college campus to access the library to issue books. They were concerned about the fine that could be levied on the issued books

that they have been unable to return to the library due to the COVID 19 pandemic situation. They also wanted to know if the college's photocopy shop had the provision of couriering the reading material to the students who cannot come to college campus. Since there was no information at hand on this matter, Dr. Vibha graciously volunteered to inquire about the above concerns from the library and photocopy shop.

5. The first-year students reported that they were very happy with their online classes. However, the students staying on campus were quite concerned about the intermittent Wi-Fi network at college because of which they were unable to attend their classes uninterruptedly. They were advised to bring this to the notice of the concerned authorities at college. Second, they requested that they would really find it helpful if they could be given a ten minute break between classes wherever possible.

All the points and concerns raised by the students were duly noted by the chair and faculty members present in the meeting. As there were no further suggestions or concerns of the students, the Chair brought the meeting to a close at 4.35 pm.