

**Proceedings of the Board of Studies meeting of the Faculty of Agriculture Sciences held on
8th August 2025 at 11:00 AM in room number AB2-419.**

The meeting was attended by the following:

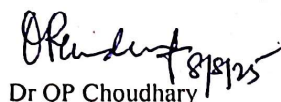
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| 1. Dr KS Thind | Dean, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences |
| 2. Dr OP Choudhary | Professor-cum-Head (Retd.), Department of Soil Science, PAU Ludhiana (External Expert) |
| 3. Dr Malwinder Singh Malhi | Agri Consultant-cum-eLearning Trainer, Bayer Crop Science Ltd., India (Industry Expert) |
| 4. Dr Geetika Nagrath | Dean, Faculty of Commerce, Business Management & Economics |
| 5. Dr Ashutosh Sharma | Associate Professor, Plant Pathology, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences |
| 6. Dr A. Harshvardhan Reddy | Assistant Professor, Horticulture, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences |
| 7. Dr Ludarmani | Assistant Professor, Agricultural Economics, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences |
| 8. Dr Monika Menia | Assistant Professor, Agronomy, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences |
| 9. Dr Rahul Kumar | Associate Professor (Genetics & Plant Breeding), Faculty of Agricultural Sciences |
| 10. Dr Anju Pathania | Associate Professor (Genetics & Plant Breeding)-cum-Member Secretary, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences |
| 11. Mr Jaskirat Singh | GS Fertilizers, Bhogpur (Alumnus, DAV University) |
| 12. Dr Maan Singh Toor | Professor, Agril. Economics (Special Invitee) |
| 13. Dr RS Rekhi | Professor, Soil Science (Special Invitee) |
| 14. Ms. Divya Verma | Student Member |
| 15. Ms. Riya Walia | Student Member |

The agenda items were discussed in detail and after thorough deliberations, the following recommendations were made:

1. The Board of Studies approved the curriculum and syllabi as per the Report of the ICAR VI Deans' Committee recommendations and rationalized the discipline specific workload per semester for B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture for academic session 2025-26 onwards. (Annexure I)

2. The board also recommended the curriculum and syllabi of a new program good afternoon i.e. B.Sc. Ag. (Hons) Natural Farming as per the Report of the ICAR VI Deans' Committee recommendations. (Annexure II)
3. The board approved minor revision in the curriculum of M.Sc. Agriculture (Agriculture Extension, Agronomy, Genetics & Plant Breeding and Plant Pathology and M.Sc. Ag. Horticulture (Vegetable Science) for Academic Session 2025-26 onwards as per BSMA guidelines.
4. The board approved the scheme of M.Sc. Agriculture (Plant Pathology) to incorporate two elective courses (Plant Nematology, and Diseases of Field and Medicinal Crops) as core courses as per BSMA guidelines of ICAR with effect from academic session 2024- 25, *ex post facto*.
5. New discipline specific course codes will be assigned to all the courses (UG & PG) with effect from Academic Session 2025-26 onwards. (Annexure III)
6. The board recommended that grading of research credits for Masters and Doctoral programs should be marked Satisfactory (S) and Unsatisfactory (US) with effect from Academic session 2025-26. (Annexure IV)
7. The board recommended that as per the Report of the ICAR VI Deans' Committee recommendations, the External Theory examination evaluation for ESE will be 40% for B.Sc. Agriculture II year, from 2025-26 onwards. (Annexure V)
8. As per the guidelines of the Report of the ICAR VI Deans' Committee recommendations, for the evaluation of 10 weeks internship for the award of UG Certificate in Agriculture (exit after Year I) or UG Diploma in Agriculture (exit after Year II), a committee of at least four senior faculty members preferably representing different disciplines, shall be formed under the chairmanship of Dean Faculty of Agricultural Sciences.
Evaluation: The committee members would evaluate the students based upon a Presentation (20 marks), Submission of report (30 marks), Viva-voce (30 marks) and Assessment by the Industry (20 marks).
9. The board recommended that new students admitted to B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture with Mathematics background in 10+2, shall be offered a non-gradual and need based course on Basic Biology of 1 credit hour (1+0), during the first semester.

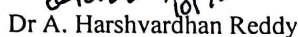
The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all the committee members


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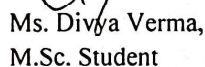

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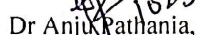
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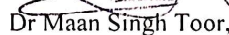
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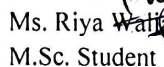
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Annexure I

Curriculum and syllabi as per the Report of the ICAR VI Deans' Committee recommendations:

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Annexure II

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ANNEXURE III**Discipline specific UG course codes** for Faculty of Agricultural Sciences w.e.f. Current Session

Discipline	Current Course Code (Prefix)	Proposed Course Code
Agricultural Engineering	AGS 214	AEN 214
Agriculture Economics	AGS	AEC
Agriculture Extension	AGS	AEX
Agronomy	AGS	AAG
Animal Sciences	AGS	ANS
Entomology	AGS	AET
Genetics and Plant Breeding	AGS	APB
Basic Sciences (Plant Biochemistry/ Crop Physiology)	AGS	ABS
Plant Pathology	AGS	APP
Soil Sciences	AGS	ASS
Horticulture (Vegetable Sciences/ Floriculture/ Fruit Science)	AGS	AHR
Deeksharambh	DAR	AGS

4a. Grading of Master's and Doctoral Research credits hours to be marked as Satisfactory (S)/ Unsatisfactory (US).

At present marks are given for Master's and Doctoral research, which are counted towards the calculation of GPA. It is proposed that following the recommendations of the ICAR, Master's and Doctoral Research credits hours to be marked as **Satisfactory (S)/ Unsatisfactory (US)**.

4b. At present, the result of the Master's and Doctoral programs are declared at the completion of the Semester, even if the *viva voce* has been held a month or two earlier. The Provisional Degree Certificates are hence delayed.

It is proposed that in order **to facilitate timely issuance of Provisional Degree Certificates, a provision should be made in the system to declare the result of the Master's and Doctoral program students, immediately after the successful completion of the *viva voce*.**

Annexure V

As per the Report of the ICAR VI Deans' Committee recommendations – Examination and Evaluation System - the External Theory examination evaluation for ESE will be 40% for B.Sc. Agriculture II year, from 2025-26 onwards.

CREDIT Hrs	QUIZ	SAP	LP	MSE	MSP	ESE	ETP	ATT
2+1	5	-	-	25	-	40	25	5
1+1	5	-	-	-	20	40	30	5
1+2	5	-	-	-	25	30	35	5
1+0	20	10	-	25	-	40	-	5
0+1	-	-	20	-	30	-	50	-