

The Undergraduate Board of Studies dated 18-09-2020, noted the UGC's F. No. 1-4/2020 (CPP-II) dated 16 September, 2020 and particularly the following parts thereof:

“Your kind attention is invited to the UGC Guidelines dated 29-04-2020 wherein it was specified that the duration of Terminal Semester/ Final year examinations can be reduced from 3 hours to 2 hours, confirming the time span of the examination. However, the University may consider to give half an hour or so for downloading the question paper and uploading the answer sheets. Open time examination could be included in the Internal Assessment Component, which at most is of 20% to 30% of total weight age. The UGC revised guidelines dated 06-07-2020 stipulates that the final year/terminal semester examinations can be conducted in three modes, viz., offline (pen & paper), online, or blended (online + offline). These Guidelines were in continuation to its Guidelines dated 29-04-2020.”

“In this regard, I am directed to inform that the Institutions have the option of conducting MCQ/ OMR-based, Open Book Examination in offline (pen & paper/ Online/ Blended mode) as part of their external examination components, so long as they are timed for 2 or 3 hours. If an institution evaluates its students by giving more than 2 or 3 hours (i.e., an open test), it will be categorized as an assignment-based assessment and not as an examination”.

“I am sure that the University shall strictly abide by the Guidelines issued by the Commission in letter and spirit in the best interest of students maintaining the sanctity of examination.”

The Undergraduate Board of Studies resolved to abide by the UGC directive.