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### **2.5.3 IT Integration and reforms in Examination Procedures**

**Examination Reforms during Pandemic Period**

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**EXAMINATION REFORMS DURING THE PANDEMIC INDUCED LOCKDOWN OF  
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS**

During the pandemic period the following reforms were adopted by all programmes of study namely:

- ❖ Online Examinations-shift from website to use of google classrooms for conduct of exams
- ❖ Reduction of time and maximum marks except for the MBA programme which was retained at 60 marks and three hour duration
- ❖ Internal question paper setting-continuation of the practice of collecting multiple question paper sets
- ❖ Online evaluation by course teachers under the supervision of Nodal Officers
- ❖ Online publication of time-tables and examination related information
- ❖ Issuing of detailed and separate guidelines for students and faculty-issuing ppt for students to understand the process of online exams
- ❖ Provision of extra-time for differently abled students

**OTHER REFORMS ADOPTED IN THE PANDEMIC PERIOD**

- ★ Adoption of online internships wherever possible-Due to the pandemic students were unable to in some cases attend regular offline internships. Wherever this was the case students were helped and directed to seek online internships and produce certificates for the same.
- ★ Adoption of review projects instead of offline projects during the pandemic-Students are given topics chosen by the department and asked to submit a review of current literature on the topic in the form of a written dissertation and the certification and documentation was provided by the department for the same.
- ★ Adoption of online viva-voce examinations during the pandemic-Online viva-voce exams were held under the supervision of the HoD's/Nodal Officers of the department with some departments offering offline viva wherever the situation was better.

- ★ Adoption of online practical exams wherever possible.

## **BOARD OF STUDIES MEETINGS**

- Online/Blended/Offline Board of Studies meetings were held for all programmes of study from July 2021 and syllabi revision was undertaken for all programmes.
- Templates for Minutes of Board of Studies were issued and adopted keeping in mind the need to streamline such records for purposes of accreditation and quality control.
- The revisions focussed on the need to adapt to local, regional, national and global development needs.
- Departments were instructed to focus on employability, skill development and entrepreneurship.
- Many departments have offered multiple electives from in the syllabi revisions. All programmes of study have provided the option for students to undertake internships, projects and self-study papers.
- The value education paper has been revised keeping in mind the need to focus on gender and environmental values and citizenship and global values. The EVS and Value Education paper has been revised to be offered in the first year of study instead of the second year for UG programmes, with NMEs being shifted to the second year.



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