

DU councils approve 22 courses

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NEW DELHI, 25 APRIL: In the requisition meetings of the DU's Academic Council and Executive Council that held today, 22 courses which were earlier prepared by the various course committees approved amid protests from some participating members.

"Few of the members attending the academic council, sought to get an answer from the vice-chancellor that why head of the department of social sciences has been left untouched. The next hearing in the High Court on semester system in DU is slated on 28 April," said a faculty member, Prof Rajesh K Jha.

DUTA has filed a 'writ petition under Article 226' in the Delhi High Court seeking a writ of certiorari

quashing the decision taken on 5 June 2009, of the Academic Council and 26 June 2009, of the Executive Council of the DU to introduce semester system in the undergraduate courses for the academic session 2010-2011 as illegal.

"The Academic Council and the DU vice-chancellor had approved the syllabi of 12 undergraduate science courses without following the due process and in total disregard of the DU Act, Statutes and Ordinances framed there-under and for quashing of the letter written on 1 October 2010 issued by the DU as illegal in violation of section 23 of the Delhi University Act", said a DUTA member.

The High Court had issued notice on the writ petition to the DU, on which the varsity through its counsel had sought time to file counter affidavit on 28 April.