

श्री माता वैष्णो देवी विश्वविद्यालय

Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University Sub Post Office Katra - 182320, J&K.

MINUTES OF THE 13TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THE 6TH OF APRIL 2009 AT INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, NEW DELHI.

PRESENT

- 1. Sh. N.N.Vohra
 - Chancellor SMVDU, Chairman, (H.E.Governor of J&K)
- Prof. N.K.Bansal Vice Chancellor-SMVDU
- 3. Prof. Varun Sahni
 - Vice Chancellor-Jammu University, (Member, Ex-Officio)
- 4. Prof. Riyaz Punjabi
 - Vice Chancellor-Kashmir University, (Member, Ex-Officio)
- Sh. R. S. Pawar
 Chairman NIIT, Ltd.
 Plot No.85, Institutional Area, Sector 32
 Gurgaon 122001, Haryana, (Member).
- 6. Sh. B.B.Vyas, IAS
 - Chief Executive Officer-SMVDSB & Principal Secretary to HEG, J&K, (Member)
- Prof. Vinayshil Gautam
 Professor, Department of Management Studies, 4th Floor, Vishwa Karma Bhawan, IIT Delhi, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-110016.
- 8. Prof. R. S. Misra
 - Dean of Students / Officiating Registrar SMVDU, (Secretary, Ex-Officio)
- 9. Prof. M.L.Garg
 - Dean College of Engineering-SMVDU, (Member)
- 10. Prof. J.P.Singh
 - Dean College of Management-SMVDU, (Member)
- 11. Prof. (Dr.) V. Verma
 - Director School of Biotechnology-SMVDU, (Member)
- 12. Prof. C.L.Razdan
 - Director, School of Architecture & Landscape Design-SMVDU, (Member)
- 13. Prof. V.S.Raju
 - Former Director IIT Delhi,
 - 83, Hill Ridge Village, Gachibowli, Hyderabad 500032. (Member, Invittee)

13.1 Opening remarks of Chancellor of the University (H. E. the Governor of J&K State)

Hon'ble Chancellor SMVDU, Sh.N.N.Vohra, commenced the Council meeting by welcoming all the Members to the 13th Meeting of the Executive Council of SMVDU. He observed that it was necessary for the activities of the University being correlated to the larger objectives of the Nation and the State of Jammu & Kashmir.

The Chancellor observed that there were important social and academic concerns which were common to all the Universities of J&K and a Group needed to be constituted to identify the strengths of each of the Universities in

the state and to effectively utilize them for contributing towards its development. He added that, in recent discussions, the Hon'ble Chief Minister had stressed that University education should encourage entrepreneurship and employment. Keeping these objectives in mind, the expansion programs of SMVDU, Jammu University and Kashmir University, should be developed in a harmonious manner. He called for greater connectivity and synergy amongst all the institutions of higher learning in the state.

13.2 Brief Presentation by the Vice Chancellor.

The Vice Chancellor made a brief presentation on the present status of the University, particularly the academic and physical infrastructure, the number of students and Faculty in place and research and development activities.

While appreciating the development of the University, Hon'ble Members advised that value content in education must also be addressed to in the academic curriculum of the University. As per provisions of the Statutes 10(i) & 10(iii), the recommendations will be forwarded to the Academic Council for discussion and further action.

After the presentation, the Agenda Items were then taken up for consideration by the Council.

13.3 Minutes of the 12th meeting of the Executive Council held on 8th October 2008 at SMVDU Campus.

The Council considered the minutes of the 12th EC meeting and confirmed the same.

13.4 Action taken / present status of the recommendations made by the 12th meeting of the Executive Council, held on 8th October 2008, at SMVDU Campus.

13.4.1 to 13.4.11

The council noted the following for information:

- * The Faculty attrition rate has come down from 25% last year to 7% this year.
- * The Audited Annual Accounts for the F.Y 2007-08, were approved.
- * The proposal for starting M.Sc. [biotechnology] course, from August 2009, was approved.
- * The Graduate School has been de-notified.
- * The list of MBA & MBA [Business Economics] and B.Tech. [Computer Science & Engineering] students who have qualified for the issue of respective Degrees was approved.
- * The Council noted the recommendations of the Selection Committee, constituted for conducting interview for the post of Deputy Finance Officer on 30th March 2009.
- * The Campus Allowance stands withdrawn as per the recommendations of the Finance Committee w.e.f 1st April 2009.

The Council noted that Shri. Rakesh Srivastav has accepted the offer of appointment as Professor, on contract for a period of one year in the pay scale of Rs.18400-500-22400 [pre-revised].

- 13.5 Decisions taken by the Review Committee in its meeting held on the 15th of January 2009.
- 13.5.1 Amendment in First Statutes governing the Terms & Conditions governing the Tenure of Vice Chancellor.

The Council authorized the Chancellor to take an appropriate decision in the matter.

13.5.2 Reconstitution of the University Building & Works Committee

The Council noted the reconstitution of the University Buildings & Works Committee of the University by way of inclusion of Sh. Avtar Singh Wazir, Ex-Chief Engineer PWD R&B, J&K Government, as recommended in the Review Committee meeting held on 15th January 2009 at Raj Bhavan Jammu, chaired by the Hon'ble Chancellor and approved by him.

13.5.3 Reconstitution of the Finance Committee

The Council noted the reconstitution of the Finance Committee to include Shri. Ravi Magotra, Director General (Budget) J&K Government, and the Chief Accounts Officer SMVDSB, as its members, as recommended in the Review Committee meeting held on 15th January 2009 at Raj Bhavan Jammu, chaired by the Hon'ble Chancellor and approved by him.

13.5.4 Re-organisation of the School of Philosophy & Culture

The Council recommended that an additional School of Social Sciences be created in the College of Philosophy, Culture & Languages, in addition to the two existing Schools, namely, School of Philosophy & Culture and School of Languages.

- Decisions taken by the Finance Committee in its 7th meeting held on the 6th of March 2009.
- 13.6.1 Revised Budget Estimates for 2008-09.

The Executive Council approved the revised expenditure for the year 2008-09 as follows:

Capital Expenditure (Non-Recurring)

Rs.2839.30 Lacs

Revenue Expenditure (Recurring)

Rs.876.00 Lacs

(The details are given in the Annexure III & IV of the Agenda).

13.6.2 Budget Estimates for the year 2009-10.

The Executive Council, after deliberations, and as recommended by the Finance Committee, approved the Budget Estimates for Capital Expenditure of Rs.2200.00 lacs for the Financial Year 2009-10.

The Budget Estimates for Revenue Expenditure of Rs.1210.85 lacs for the year 2009-10 were also approved. While an amount of Rs. 300.00 lacs will be contributed by SMVDSB, the balance will be met from the University income.

(The details are given in the Annexure III & IV of the Agenda).

13.6.3 Creation of own Trust for Managing the Employees Provident Fund.

The Council noted and approved the proposal for creating a Trust for managing the Employees Provident Fund.

13.6.4 Pay Revision of SMVDU faculty & staff.

The issue was discussed in detail. The Council approved the constitution of the following Committee for comprehensive examination of all aspects relating to the proposed pay revision and make appropriate recommendation to the Hon'ble Chancellor for further consideration:

- Prof. N.K.Bansal, Vice Chancellor SMVDU
- ii) Prof. Varun Sahni, Vice Chancellor Jammu University
- iii) Mr. B.B.Vyas, CEO-SMVDSB

The terms of reference of the above Committee would be:

- To recommend the revised scales of pay for Faculty and Non-Faculty Staff of the University.
- To present a paper on the Allowances to be admissible to the employees of SMVDU.
- iii) To review the existing statutes governing pay scales in the University & suggest necessary modifications therein.

The above committee shall submit its report to the Hon'ble Chancellor latest by the 20th of April 2009, who was authorized by the Council to take a final decision in the matter.

13.6.5 Engagement of Statutory Auditors for the FY 2008-09.

The Executive Council approved the appointment of M/s. Gupta, Gupta & Associates, Chartered Accountants, for a period of one year, i.e., 2008 -2009 at an annual fee of Rs. 1,20,000/- on the recommendation made by the Finance Committee in its 7th meeting held on the 6th of March 2009.

13.6.6 Auditors Report and Statement of Account for the FY 2007-08.

The Audited Annual Accounts for the F.Y 2007-08 were placed before the 7th meeting of the Finance Committee held on the 6th of March 2009. The Council considered the Action Taken Report on the observations of the Auditors and approved the Audited Accounts for the FY 2008-09.

- 13.7 Decisions taken by the Academic Council in its 10th meeting held on the 20th February 2009.
- 13.7.1 Proposal for starting a two year full-time M.Sc. course in Biotechnology from this Academic Session 2009-10.

The Executive Council after detailed discussions, approved the commencement of M.Sc. [Biotechnology] Course from Academic Session 2009.

13.7.2 Proposal for starting a 4 year full time B.Tech. (Electronics & Instrumentation) Course from Academic Session 2009-10.

The Executive Council after detailed discussions, approved the commencement of B.Tech. [Electronics & Instrumentation] Course from this Academic Session 2009.

13.8 Revision of Hostel & Mess Charges for the Students to be admitted in August 2009 & also for continuing batches.

The Council after deliberating on the issue, recommended that Hostel Fee and Mess Fee should be distinctively divided into two parts, i.e., (i) Hostel Fee & (ii) Mess Fee and that the Mess Fee should be charged directly to the Caterer.

Further, the Council approved the revision of Hostel Fee as follows for the new students being admitted from July-August 2009:

Single Occupancy Rs. 15000/- p.a.
Double Occupancy Rs. 12000/- p.a.
Triple Occupancy Rs. 10000/- p.a.

For the existing (old) students, the Fee for Hostels will be revised as follows:

Single Occupancy Rs. 10000/- p.a. Double Occupancy Rs. 8000/- p.a. Rs. 6000/- p.a.

The Mess Fee will henceforth be charged at the rate of Rs.18000/- p.a. from every student directly payable to the caterer.

13.9 Approving the list of M.Tech. [Energy Management] students qualifying for the issue of respective Degrees

The Council approved the list of M.Tech. [Energy Management] students who have qualified for the award of the respective Degrees.

13.10 Introduction of Payment Seats

The Council deferred its decision on the introduction of Payment seats in SMVDU.

- 13.11 Reporting Items
- 13.11.1 New Faculty

The Council noted the reported information.

13.11.2 Resignation of Faculty Members

The Council noted the reported information.

- 13.12 Any Other Item with the Permission of the Chair.
 - A. Conferring Honorary Professorship to Mr. KVSS Sairam, CEO M/s. Prathista Industries Ltd.

The recommendation for grant of Honorary Professorship to Mr. KVSS Sairam was not accepted by the Council. The Council, however, suggested that he may be nominated as one of the members in the Board of Studies of the School of Biotechnology.

B. Transferring land to Jammu and Kashmir Bank Ltd. for construction of a Bank Building.

The proposal for transferring of land to Jammu and Kashmir Bank Ltd. for construction of a building for the Bank was not accepted by the Council.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

R. S. Misra

No: SMVDU/A&E/2009/568 Date: 17th April 2009.

CC:

- PS to the Vice Chancellor for the information of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.
- 2. All Members Concerned.
- 3. Addl. CEO-SMVDSB, Katra.
- 4. Concerned File.