



# MINUTES

OF

124<sup>th</sup> MEETING (SPECIAL)  
OF THE

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON

12<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019 AT 10.30 A.M.

AT HEMANGA BISWAS COMMITTEE ROOM OF  
THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S SECRETARIAT

**ASSAM UNIVERSITY**

(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT  
OF PARLIAMENT)

SILCHAR

# Assam University, Silchar

**Minutes of the 124<sup>th</sup> Meeting(Special) of the Executive Council held  
on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 10.30 A.M. in the Hemanga Biswas  
Committee Room of the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat,  
Assam University, Silchar**

**Members present :**

1. Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath, Vice-Chancellor : Chairman
2. Dr. Ramesh Chandra Deka, Visitor's Nominee : Member
3. Prof. Sanjib Das, Dean of Medical & Pharmaceutical Sc. : Member
4. Prof. Sudipta Roy, Dean, School of Technology : Member
5. Prof. G. P. Pandey, Dean of Creative Arts & Comm. Studies : Member
6. Prof. Niranjana Roy, Dean of Economics & Commerce : Member
7. Prof. Sajal Nag, Professor, Dept. of History : Member
8. Dr. P. K. Deva Sarma, Associate Professor, Dept. of Comp. Sc. : Member
9. Dr. Purnendu Kumar, Principal, Nehru College, Pailapool : Member
10. CMA Dr. B. B. Mishra, Finance Officer : Permanent Invitee
11. Representative of AUTA, Prof. G. Ram : Special Invitee
12. Representative of AUNTEA, Mr. Sagnik Choudhury : Special Invitee
13. Dr. Sanjib Bhattacharjee, Registrar : Ex-officio Secretary

**Members absent :**

1. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, Pro-Vice Chancellor, AUDC : Member  
(Absent with intimation)
2. Padmashree Dr.(Prof.) Indira Nath, Visitor's Nominee : Member  
(Absent without intimation)
3. Prof. Anil Goswami, (Visitor's Nominee) : Member  
(Absent with intimation)
4. Dr. Lakshmi Nandan Bora, (Visitor's Nominee) : Member  
(Absent with intimation)
5. Dr. Mortuja Hussain, Principal, N. C. College, Badarpur : Member  
(Absent without intimation)
6. Dr. Mizanur Rahman, Principal, Haflong Govt. College : Member  
(Absent without intimation)
7. Director, Higher Education, Govt. of Assam : Member  
(Absent without intimation)





At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the Members specially Prof. Niranjana Roy and Dr. P. K. Deva Sarma as attended first time in the EC as new member. The Chairman also expressed thanks to Dr. Ramesh C. Deka as Visitor's Nominee, outgoing member for valuable contribution to the University. Thereafter, on being permitted by the Chairman, the meeting formally started.

**Item No. 1 : To approve the Passing of Grace of graduates for the 17<sup>th</sup> Convocation :**

**EC:124:03-19:01 :** The 17<sup>th</sup> Convocation of the Assam University is scheduled to be held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 to confer degrees to the candidates graduated from Assam University. The degrees that will be conferred in the 17<sup>th</sup> Convocation are as follows:

PhD, M Phil, M Sc, M Sc (Computer Science), M Com, MA, MBA, MMC, MVA, MSW, M Ed, MLIS,(Library Science), M Tech (IT, CSE & AE), LLM, PG Diploma (PGDMM, PGDBI, PGDTM, PGDBC, COP, DOP, PGDIT, PGDTM, PGDBC, COP, DOP, PGDIT, PGDEPM, MEPM), B Tech (IT, AE & ETC), LLB, B.Ed, BVA, BSW, BALLB(H), B Sc (Pass & Honours), BA (Pass & Honours), B Com (Pass & Honours), BBA and BCA.

The matter was placed before the Academic Council to approve the pass of grace of Graduates/Post Graduates/Diploma /Certificate course /M.Phil/Ph.D etc. for admitting them to their respective degrees in the ensuing convocation.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:1 has accepted the issue of passing of grace of graduates for the 17<sup>th</sup> Convocation and the Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

**Resolution :** The passing of grace of graduates for the 17<sup>th</sup> Convocation to be held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 as proposed was approved by the Council. However, the EC was in the opinion that the Convocation shall be held on 1<sup>st</sup> March for every year now onwards. Due to unavoidable administrative issues the 17<sup>th</sup> Convocation as scheduled on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019 was considered by the Council.

**Item No. 2 : University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 :**

**EC:124:03-19:02 :** University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 as notified in the official Gazette of India on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2018 has been received from UGC vide D.O. No. F.1-18/2018 (CPC-II) dated 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018 for compliance in the University and affiliated colleges.



The Academic Council has considered to the effect that, henceforth the M.Phil Dissertations / Ph.D Theses submitted by the research scholars for award of the degree(s) shall go through the processes of Plagiarism check before submission for evaluation as per established procedures.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:5 has accepted the issue and the Council resolved to adopt the same and the matter was recommended to the Executive Council for consideration.

**Resolution :** The Council approved the proposal.

**Item No. 3 : Matter related to School of Technology :**

**EC:124:03-19:03 :** The Dean, Triguna Sen School of Technology has proposed the following matter which was accepted in the 9<sup>th</sup> special meeting of Board of Research Studies in TSSOT held on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018 was placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

- (a) Detail syllabus of Ph.D. Course Work (Paper - I: Research Methodology).
- (b) Detail syllabus of Ph.D. Course Work of Dept. of ECE alongwith Course Structure.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:11 has discussed the proposal of the Dean, TSSOT and on being heard by the members of the Academic Council, has accepted the above syllabus in principle for action to be taken by the concerned department. The Academic Council has recommended the same to be placed to Executive Council for a final decision.

**Resolution :** The Council approved the same.

**Item No. 4 : Interchange in the course content of UR - 203 & UR - 204 of Urdu department, AUS :**

**EC:124:03-19:04 :** The Head i/c, Dept. of Urdu has proposed interchange in the course content of UR - 203 and UR - 204 as the present content of UR - 203 is not suitable for student of other departments. The proposal was examined by the members of School Board and recommended to the Academic Council for consideration.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:16 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

**Resolution :** The Council approved the same.



**Item No. 5 : Holidays to be observed in Central Govt. offices during 2019-Reg**

**EC:124:03-19:05** : The Ministry of Personal, Public Grievances and Pensions (DoPT) vide communication dtd. 11<sup>th</sup> July 2018 has specified the holidays to be observed by the Central Govt. offices and the said communication was placed for perusal and noting.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:21 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

**Resolution** : The Council approved the proposal with a correction in the agenda that it shall be Assam University instead of Central Govt. offices.

**Item No. 6 : Matter related to permitting course through SWAYAM:**

**EC:124:03-19:06** : Dr. Prabhat Kumar Mishra, Course Coordinator – UGC MOOCs, Dept. of Hindi has proposed to start an online course entitled 'Sahitya Ka Itihas Darshan' through SWAYAM which will be offered from June 2019.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:22 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

**Resolution** : On discussion the Council approved the issue in principle. However, the Executive Council advised that the matter be placed to the concerned department for more clarification.

**Item No. 7 : Refresher course under ARPIT for the purpose of Career Advancement Scheme :**

**EC:124:03-19:07** : The communication from the Joint Secretary, UGC vide letter No. 19-1/2019-CU.Cdn. dtd 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019 from the MHRD in respect of Annual Refresher programme in teaching (ARPIT), a initiative towards online refresher course was placed for perusal of the Academic Council. UGC has decided to treat this course under ARPIT is as equivalent to one refresher course for the faculty members. As being provided on SWAYAM platform, the matter may be considered for implementation in the University.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:23 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval. The Establishment Section- II shall notify for information of the concerned faculty.





**Resolution :** The EC approved the item to be adopted and a letter in this regard to be forwarded to UGC by the University administration.

**Item No. 8 : Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) for admission in Central Educational Institutions :**

**EC:124:03-19:08 :** The Joint Secretary, UGC has forwarded a communication of MHRD Office Memorandum (No. 12-4/2019-UI dtd 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019) vide his letter No. F.No.81-1/2019(CU) dtd. 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019 regarding the implementation of reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) for admission in Central Educational Institutions from the academic session 2019-20. The scheme for implementing the reservation for the EWS shall be displayed on the website of the institution as soon as possible. Also requested to furnish the seat matrix, programme wise, along with possible financial requirements to UGC before 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

The matter was placed before the Academic Council for considering the course of action to be followed by the University.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:24 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

**Resolution :** The Council approved the same.

**Item No. 9 : Matter related to B.Voc :**

**EC:124:03-19:09 :** While considering the representation of the AUSU and the concerned students of the B.Voc programme, it felt necessary to place the matter before the Council for its views and therefore the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor advised the Director, CDC to prepare a detail report on B.Voc programme considering all aspects related to the course in totality and the report was placed before the Council for consideration.

The 83<sup>rd</sup> Academic Council on perusal of the report of the Director, CDC has resolved to adopt vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:25 as follows :

1. Resolved that the report submitted by Director, CDC on B.Voc programme be accepted in principle.
2. All students admitted under the programme till the session 2018-19 be allowed to complete their course within 2021 and necessary fund to the tune of Rs 58.67 Lakh required for running the programme as stated in the report be arranged.
3. In view of discontinuation of the programme, no further admission be held in the existing B.Voc programme w.e.f the session 2019-20.



The matter was placed before the Executive Council for consideration.

**Resolution :** The Co-ordinator, B. Voc Programme, Assam University Prof. Prasanna Kumar G.V. apprised the Council about the status, progress and bottlenecks for running of the B.Voc Programme at Assam University, Silchar. Due to very less number of students admitted in the course which is below the minimum number of students as required under B.Voc Programme guidelines, UGC has discontinued the B.Voc Programme at Assam University in July 2018.

After detailed deliberations, it was resolved that the report submitted by the Director, CDC, the Nodal Officer of B.Voc Programme at Assam University is referred back to the Academic Council for suitable recommendation and approval considering the guidelines of the B.Voc programme and UGC directions, thereof.

To safeguard the future of the existing students admitted for the batch 2015-16 to 2018-19 (four batch), the Executive Council approved the continuance of the existing batch of students of B.Voc Programme at Assam University till completion of their courses up to June 2021.

The Council also observed that without approval of the UGC, the pending bills towards remuneration after July 2018 cannot be paid from the available un-utilised fund of the B.Voc Programme. Therefore, it was resolved that for the pending remuneration bills from July to September 2018 of Rs. 3.67 lakh, should be paid/released to the Guest/Visiting faculties and other related expenses if any from the MRF account of the University.

Further, the Council opined that UGC should be requested to release the balance of Rs. 58.67 lakh for completing the course of the existing batch of students as recommended by the Co-ordinator.

**Item No. 10 : M.Tech admission process under CUCET 2019 :**

**EC:124:03-19:10 :** The Chairman placed before the Academic Council the matter related to M.Tech admission process under CUCET (Central Universities Common Entrance Test) 2019 and advised the Dean, TSSOT to brief the same before the Council.

The Dean, TSSOT briefed the details about the admission to the M.Tech programme offered by three departments of TSSOT (Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, Computer Science & Engineering and Electronics & Communication Engineering).

The 83<sup>rd</sup> meeting (Special) of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:83:02-19:27.1 has accepted the proposal and recommend to the Executive Council for consideration.





**Resolution :** On perusal of the item the Council granted the proposal initially for one year but the CUCET shall reimburse all expenses as opined by the members.

**Item No. 11 : Grant of lien to Dr. A. K. Sharma, Librarian :**

**EC:124:03-19:11 :** As per resolution of the 123rd meeting of the Executive Council vide resolution No. EC:123:11-18:46, the request of Dr. A.K Sharma, Librarian, AUS was not considered for granting lien because he has not fulfilled period of qualifying service required for lien. Now, he has submitted application on 30-11-2018 to grant lien and release from the University service on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 with earned leave for two days on 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2019 for enabling him to join to the post of Librarian in the Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya University, Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh) which has been considered for placing to the next meeting of the Executive Council. However, the date for his request for release from the University had already been expired. Dr. Sharma has joined in this University on 03-02-2014 and has completed 5 years minimum service on 03-2-2019 and is now eligible for lien. As such, his request for granting lien for the period of two years was once again placed before the Executive Council for re-consideration.

**Resolution :** The Council after detailed discussion resolved that Dr. A. K. Sharam, Librarian be granted lien for a period of one year to join in the post of Librarian in the Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya University, Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh). Further, the Council also resolved that in no circumstances lien will be extended more than one year even if Dr. Sharma is on probation in Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya University, Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh) after the one year lien granted period. If Dr. Sharma will not join back within one year, he had to submit the resignation from Assam University, failing which his services at Assam University will be treated as deemed resignation after completion of one year for lien granted.

**Item No. 12 : Recommendation of the 53<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee of the Assam University held on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019 :**

**EC:124:03-19:12 :** The 53<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee of the University held on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019 at AIU House, New Delhi. The Minutes of the Finance Committee was placed at Annexure - A for perusal and approval of the Council.

**Resolution :** The Finance Committee minutes as placed was approved by the Council in toto.

**Item No. 13 : Conversion from CPF to GPF :**

**EC:124:03-19:13 :** In accordance with the judgment of the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court dated 30.5.2018 on case no. W.P. (C) 7481/2017 and W.P. (C) 7485/2017 and on the basis of the decision of 123<sup>rd</sup> EC meeting vide resolution No. EC:123:11-18:06 and as per recommendation dtd 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018 of the Committee constituted for the purpose, the following teaching and non-teaching employees of this



University (including retired teachers) are allowed for conversion/switch over from CPF to GPF cum Pension Scheme with modalities as given below.

Sl. No.	Name	Department	Present status	Date of joining in Assam University
1.	Prof Gopal Ji Mishra	Social Work	Serving as Professor	05.01.1999
2.	Prof Ranju Rani Dhamala	Political Science	- do -	06.09.1996
3.	Prof Biman Kumar Dutta	Ecology & Env. Sc.	Retd. Professor	27.03.1997
4.	Prof M Rafiqul Islam	Chemistry	- do -	16.06.1997
5.	Prof Satya Bhushan Paul	- do -	- do -	01.07.1998
6.	Prof (Late) Goutam Biswas	Philosophy	Former Professor	21.08.1995
7.	Prof Nikunja Behari Biswas	Education	Retd. Professor	22.01.1996
8.	Prof Geetika Bagchi	- do -	Serving as Professor	19.07.1995
9.	Prof Bhuleshwar Mate	Visual Arts	Retd. Professor	03.04.1996
10.	Dr (Late) Pranobendra Debnath	Examinations	Former Controller of Examinations	14.03.1997
11.	Shri D B Rai	Examinations	Asstt Registrar	23.05.1997
12.	Shri P R Ramesh	Chemistry	Senior Technical Assistant	01.11.1997

- i) The effective date of switching over from CPF to GPF cum pension scheme for the abovementioned employees/ex-employees is from their date of joining in Assam University.
- ii) Accumulated Employees' Contribution to CPF and accumulated interest thereon of the employees/ex-employees to be transferred to GPF account to be opened. However, interest calculation on the CPF account for the concerned retired/expired employees should be made upto three months from the date of retirement/expiry as per Rules. Employers' contribution to the CPF of the above employees/ex-employees should be transferred to University Fund.





- iii) From the employees/ex-employees mentioned above, whose CPF contribution has been received by the University from the previous employer, has to be refunded to the concerned employee.
- iv) On the basis of nomination submitted for opening of GPF account by the concerned employees/nominee of employees, necessary action to be initiated immediately for opening of GPF account and other related matter.

The item was placed before the Council for approval.

**Resolution :** On perusal of the issue and considering the resolution of the 123<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the EC vide Resolution No. EC:123:11-18:06, the Council approved the same. However, the Council was in the opinion that the Arrear Pension/Gratuity shall be released on allocation of fund by the UGC.

**Item No. 14 : Item from the Chair :**

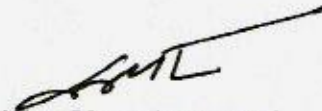
**EC:124:03-19:14 : Matter related to Dept. of Hospitality & Tourism :**

**Resolution :** The Chairman expressed his pleasure as the teaching positions for the Dept. of Hospitality & Tourism was sanctioned and the same was reported before the Council which was noted by the members.

There being no other item to discuss, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the Chair.



(Dr. Sanjib Bhattacharjee)  
Ex-officio-Secretary  
Executive Council  
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(Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath)  
Vice Chancellor & Chairman  
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