



MINUTES

OF

137TH MEETING (SPECIAL) OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON

8th OCTOBER 2020 AT 03.00 P.M.

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

ASSAM UNIVERSITY

(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT OF
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Assam University, Silchar

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held on 8th October 2020 at 03.00 P.M. in the Hemanga Biswas
Committee Room of the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat,
Assam University, Silchar.**

The following Members were present :

1. Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath, Vice-Chancellor : Chairman
2. Prof. Manoj Kr. Sinha, Dean, School of Library Sciences : Member
3. Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar, Dean, School of Legal Studies : Member
4. Prof. Gopalji Mishra, Senior most Professor : Member
5. Dr. P. K. Deva Sarma, Senior most Associate Professor : Member
6. Dr. Debashish Roy, Principal, Radhamadab College, Silchar : Member
7. Dr. Baharul Islam Laskar, Principal, M.C.D. College, Sonai : Member
8. Dr. Subhadeep Dhar, Finance Officer i/c. : Permanent Invitee
9. Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Registrar i/c : Ex-officio Secretary

Members participated in the meeting through video conference :

1. Prof. Amarendra Kumar Das, Visitor's Nominee : Member
Department of Design, Indian Institute of Technology, Ghy.
2. Dr. Bharati Singh, Visitor's Nominee : Member
Director, Dept. of Home Science Extension Education,
Institute of Home Science, Khandari, Agra.
4. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, Pro-Vice Chancellor, AUDC : Member
5. Prof. Abhik Gupta, Pro-Vice Chancellor, A.U. Silchar Campus : Member
6. Prof. Dipendu Das, Dean of English & Foreign Languages Studies : Member
7. Prof. G.P. Pandey, Dean of Creative Arts & Communication Studies : Member

Members absent :

1. Dr. Anupam Mishra, Visitor's Nominee : Member
Director, ICAR-ATARI, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh
(Absent without intimation)
2. Shri Jahnu Barua, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)
3. Dr. Devika Barman, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)
4. Smt. Drimsibon Kharkongor, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)
5. Dr. M. K. Sharma, Principal, Diphu Govt. College : Member
(Absent without intimation)
6. Dr. G Phukan, Director, Higher Education, Govt. of Assam : Member
(Absent without intimation)

At the outset the Vice-Chancellor and the Chairman welcomed all the members of the Executive Council. The Chairman also welcomed Prof. G.P. Pandey & Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar as new member in the Executive Council present.

Thereafter the meeting formally started and following agenda items were taken up for discussion and resolutions were adopted accordingly.

Item No. 1 : Recommendation of the 59th meeting of the Finance Committee of the Assam University held on 8th October 2020 :

EC:137:10-20:01 : The 59th meeting of the Finance Committee of the University held on 8th October 2020 at 11.00 am in the Hemanga Biswas Committee Room of the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat, Assam University, Silchar. The Minutes of the Finance Committee was placed in the meeting for perusal and approval of the Council.

Resolution: The Council perused the minutes of the 59th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 8th October 2020 at 11.00 am and approved the same.

Item No. 2 : Nomination of a member to the Finance Committee by the Executive Council of the University :

EC:137:10-20:02 : As per Statute 19 (1) (iii) of Assam University Act & Statute, in the Finance Committee, *three persons nominated by the Executive Council, out of whom at least one shall be a member of the Executive Council.*

Subject to ratification by the Executive Council of the University, the competent authority has nominated Prof. M. K. Sinha, Dept. of Library & Information Science, Assam University, Silchar as a member of the Finance Committee of Assam University as a nominee of the Executive Council w.e.f. 18/09/2020 for a period of three years or till the date of continuation as a member of the Executive Council, which is earlier.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 3 : Recommendations of the DPC for non-teaching employees :

EC:137:10-20:03 : Meeting of the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) for promotion and confirmation of service of non-teaching employees is scheduled on 30th September 2020. The recommendations of the DPC was placed in the meeting for consideration and approval.

Resolution: The Council was in the opinion that the item would have been placed for ratification instead of approval. The Registrar on the advice of the Chairman briefed the decisions taken in the DPC and the recommendation as below was approved.

- i) Confirmation of service of Sri Seemanta Paul, Executive Engineer. His date of joining was 26-07-2012 and completion of probation period was 25-07-2014. The Council on perusal of the recommendation of the DPC, approved confirmation of service of Sri Paul.
- ii) For the positions of Assistant Registrar, Smt Ila Das was promoted to Assistant Registrar from the position of Section Officer (Senior most) against a vacant position of Assistant Registrar (SC).
Dr. Pulak Dhar was promoted to Assistant Registrar from the position of Section Officer against a vacant position of Assistant Registrar (UR).
- iii) Sri Sabil Ahmed Barbhuiya, Section Officer was also recommended by the DPC as a fit candidate for the position of Assistant Registrar (UR). However, his case shall be considered once the position of Assistant Registrar becomes vacant by 30-04-2021.

The EC accordingly ratified the above recommendations of the DPC held on 30-09-2020.

Item No. 4 : Resolution of the Committee for grant of MACP to non-teaching staff:

EC:137:10-20:04 : Meeting of the MACP Committee is scheduled in first week of October 2020. The resolution of meeting was placed in the meeting for consideration and approval.

Resolution: The Council considered and approved the MACP of the following employees who were found to be eligible for the grant of MACP w.e.f completion of 10/20 years (as per applicability) of continuous service in Assam University.

Silchar Campus

- i) Sri Ajoy Paul, Section Officer, w.e.f 03/06/2020
- ii) Sri Sabil Ahmed Barbhuiya, Section Officer, w.e.f 03/06/2020
- iii) Dr. Protibha Huidrom, STA, w.e.f 07/06/2020
- iv) Sri Debangshu Barbhuiya, STA, w.e.f 10/06/2020
- v) Sri Sobhan Kr. Bedajna, System Analyst, w.e.f 28/06/2020
- vi) Sri Saroj Kr. Mondal, Library Assistant, w.e.f 11/06/2020
- vii) Sri Chandrajit Nunia, UDC, w.e.f 03/06/2020
- viii) Smt. Sujata Das, SPA, w.e.f. 03/06/2020

- ix) Sri Baharul Isalm Laskar, Technical Assistant, w.e.f 03/06/2020
- x) Dr. Shwetosmita Nath, Technical Assistant, w.e.f 07/06/2020
- xi) Sri Abhijit Ch. Deb, Technical Assistant, w.e.f 08/06/2020
- xii) Smt. Praseema Nath, Library Assisnt w.e.f. 20/03/2019

The Committee observed that the following three cases of MACP of the employees of the Diphu Campus could not be considered as their APAR were found not in order.

- i) Sri Pankaj Paul, Assistant
- ii) Sri Mukrang Terang, Assistant
- iii) Smt. Serlin Teronpi, UDC

For the same problem DACP in respect of Dr. Surojit Hasnu, SMO of AU Diphu Campus could not be considered.

Item No. 5 : Matter relating to working of Head of the Department :

EC:137:10-20:05 : According to the Statute 8(2) of the University "it shall be open to a Professor or Associate Professor to decline the offer of appointment as the Head of the Department" and Statute 8(4) of the University "A Head of a Department may resign his office at any time during his tenure of office". These provisions often create operational difficulties as it is observed that in certain cases no eligible teachers of the Department are ready to take the responsibility. Further, sudden resignation by HoD without notice hampers smooth functioning of the office.

The matter was placed for discussion and direction, if any.

Resolution: The Chairman apprised the issue in detail before the Council and on consideration of various aspects of the issue the Council resolved to the effect that a three members committee should be constituted to look into the issue and formulate policy decision including necessity of change of respective Clauses of the Statute of the University.

Item No. 6 : Matter relating to appointment of Chancellor of the University :

EC:137:10-20:06 : The appointment of Chancellor of Assam University has been long pending before concerned Ministry. Meanwhile more than a year has lapsed. The list of recommendation by the Executive Council in this regard may be revised in view of considerable time lapse, if deemed fit. Accordingly the matter shall be communicated to Ministry. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Chairman and the Vice Chancellor placed before the Council a panel of four imminent personalities for appointment of any one as the Chancellor of the University and sought consent of the learned members of the Council for recommendation to be forwarded to the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India for necessary action at their end.

The names are as follows :

1. Shri Tathagata Roy, Former Governor of Meghalaya and Tripura
2. Prof. Aditya Prasad Dash, Former Vice Chancellor, Tamilnadu Central University.
3. Prof. Hiralal Duorah, Former Vice Chancellor, Gauhati University and Visiting Associate of the IUCAA, Member of Astronomical Society of India and IAU.
4. Prof. G. J. Sharma, Emeritus Professor, Manipur University, Manipur.

The Council approved the same.

Item No. 7 : Appointment of X-Ray operator :

EC:137:10-20:07 : CAG during 2018-19 audit of the University observed vide Audit Para No. 2.14 of Part II-B that the X-Ray machine is laying unutilized for more than a year. The staff who was appointed on casual basis has left the job and since then there is no operator for X-Ray machine. Of late, an X-Ray operator has agreed to render part time service i.e twice a week @ Rs 1000 per visit. If an X-Ray operator is appointed on part time basis, the X-Ray machine may be utilised properly and Audit issue can be addressed.

The matter was placed before the Council for decision.

Resolution: The Council approved the same. However, in view of the opinion of the Finance Officer i/c in respect to self financing scope for the same and accordingly the Council decided to constitute a committee to formulate the scope of/policy decision to make X-Ray machine operational in the Health Centre of the University.

Item No. 8 : Termination of lien and technical resignation in respect of Dr. Gautam Gope from the post of Senior Technical Assistant (STA) :

EC:137:10-20:08 : Consequent upon permanent absorption in the University of North Bengal in the post of Electro-Instrumentation Officer, lien granted to Dr. Gautam Gope in the substantive post of Senior Technical Assistant (STA) stand terminated and may be treated as technical resignation with effect from 06-02-2019 i.e the date of his release from this University.

Matter was placed before the Council for consideration and approval.

Resolution: The Council discussed the matter and approved the same.

Item No. 9 : Item from the Chair :


EC:137:10-20:09.1 : Closing date of receipt of application against employment notification for teaching positions.

Resolution: The Chairman and the Vice Chancellor has informed the House about the Closing date of receipt of application against employment notification for teaching positions as per provisions laid down in the Ordinance [Ordinance 26 (2) (4)] of the University where the period is specified as at least five weeks and it is felt that the time frame needs to be reduced considering various issues including the time constraints caused due to the urgent requirement of the Ministry on the issue. The Council after detail discussion resolved to approve the time of receipt of application to three weeks in place of five weeks by an amendment in the concerned Ordinance of the University.

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



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Registrar i/c & Ex-officio-Secretary
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