



MINUTES

OF

21ST MEETING

OF THE

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HELD ON

21st DECEMBER 2020 AT 12.00 NOON

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

ASSAM UNIVERSITY

**(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN
ACT OF PARLIAMENT)**

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MINUTES OF THE 21st MEETING OF THE COURT OF ASSAM UNIVERSITY HELD ON 21st DECEMBER 2020 AT ASSAM UNIVERSITY, SILCHAR.

The following members were present:

1. Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath, Vice-Chancellor : Chairman
2. Dr. Subhadeep Dhar, Finance Officer i/c : Member
3. Dr. Suprabir Dutta Roy, Controller of Examinations : Member
4. Mr. Jayanta Bhattacharjee, Director i/c, C.D.C. : Member
5. Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Registrar : Member-Secretary

Members participated in the meeting through video conference :

1. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, Pro-Vice Chancellor, AUDC : Member
2. Prof. Abhik Gupta, Pro-Vice Chancellor, A.U. Silchar Campus : Member
3. Prof. Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, (Visitor's Nominee) : Member
Professor & Head, Dept. of Computer Science,
Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow.
4. Prof. Sanjeev Arjunrao Sonawane, (Visitor's Nominee) : Member
Professor & Head, Dept. of Education and Extension,
Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune.
5. Prof. Wahengbam Chandbabu Singh, (Visitor's Nominee) : Member
Professor, Manipur Institute of Management Studies,
Manipur University, Imphal.
6. Dr. Bharati Singh, (Visitor's Nominee) : Member
Director, Dept. of Home Science Extension Education,
Institute of Home Science, Khandari, Agra.
7. Prof. Amarendra Kumar Das, (Visitor's Nominee) : Member
Department of Design, Indian Institute of Technology, Ghy.
8. Dr. Harsha S., Proctor i/c : Member
9. Prof. M. K. Sinha, Librarian i/c, & Dean and HOD, Library Sc. : Member

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10. Prof. Parag Shil, Dean, Students Welfare & Prof. of Commerce : Member
11. Prof. Niranjana Roy, Professor, Dept. of Economics : Member
12. Prof. Gopalji Mishra, Professor, Dept. of Social Work : Member
13. Prof. H. Ramananda Singh, Head, Dept. of Business Administration: Member
& Head i/c, Dept. of Hospitality & Tourism
14. Prof N Sarat Ch Singha, Head, Dept. of Manipuri : Member
15. Prof. G. P. Pandey, Dean of CA&CS and HOD, Mass Comm. : Member
16. Prof Paritosh Mondal, Head, Dept. of Chemistry : Member
17. Prof. G. Ram, Professor, Dept. of Sociology : Member
18. Prof. Sajal Nag, Dean, School of Social Sciences & HOD, History : Member
19. Prof. Alok Tripathi, Professor, Dept. of History : Member
20. Prof. Bijaya Kumar Behera, Professor, Dept. of Sociology : Member
21. Prof. Nagendra Pandey, Dean, School of Earth Science : Member
22. Prof. Bela Das, Dean of Indian Languages & Cultural Studies : Member
23. Prof. Snigdha Das Roy, Head, Dept. of Sanskrit : Member
24. Prof. Sarbani Giri, Dean & HOD of Life Science & Bioinformatics : Member
25. Prof. C. R. Bhattacharjee, Dean, School of Physical Sciences : Member
26. Prof. S. P. Singh Chauhan, Head, Dept. of Hindi : Member
27. Prof. Dulal Ch. Roy, Professor, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Science : Member
28. Prof. Jayashree Raut, Dean, School of Environmental Sciences : Member
29. Prof. M. A. Ansari, Professor, Dept. of Economics : Member
30. Prof. H. Nani Kr. Singha, Professor, Dept. of Manipuri : Member
31. Prof. Dipendu Das, Dean of English & Foreign Languages Studies : Member
32. Prof. Humayun Bokth, Head, Dept. of Sociology : Member
33. Prof. Debaprasad Das, Professor, Electronics & Comm. Engineering : Member
34. Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar, Dean of Legal Studies & HOD, Law : Member
35. Prof. Projit Kumar Palit, Professor, Dept. of History : Member
36. Prof. Piyush Pandey, Head, Dept. of Microbiology : Member

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37. Prof. Supriyo Chakaraborty, Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology : Member
38. Prof. Bhagirathi Biswas, Professor, Dept. of Sanskrit : Member
39. Prof. Geetika Bagchi, Dean, School of Educational Science : Member
40. Prof. Rama Prasad Biswas, Professor, Dept. of English : Member
41. Prof. Priya Kanta Nath, Head, Dept. of Bengali : Member
42. Prof. Biswatosh Choudhury, Professor, Dept. of Bengali : Member
43. Prof. Mitra Dey, Professor, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Sc. : Member
44. Prof. Sudeshna Purkayastha, Professor, Dept. of History : Member
45. Prof. Karabi Dutta Choudhury, Head, Dept. of Mathematics : Member
46. Prof. Debasish Bhattacharya, Professor, Dept. of Bengali : Member
47. Prof. Atri Deshamukhya, Professor, Dept. of Physics : Member
48. Prof. B. Indrajit Sharma, Head, Dept. of Physics : Member
49. Prof. Supratim Ray, Dean of Medical & Paramedical Sciences : Member
50. Prof. Ajit Kr Das, Head, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Sc. : Member
51. Prof. Sk. Jasim Uddin, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry : Member
52. Prof. Laxmi Narayan Sethi, Head i/c, Dept. of Agricultural Engg. : Member
53. Prof. Shanti Pokhrel, Professor, Dept. of Sanskrit : Member
54. Prof. S. Ganesh Bhaskaran, Head, Dept. of Linguistics : Member
55. Prof. Manoj Kumar Paul, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry : Member
56. Prof. Baby Pushpa Sinha, Head, Dept. of English : Member
57. Prof. Rama Sarkar, Head, Dept. of Statistics : Member
58. Prof. Suparna Roy, Professor, Dept. of History : Member
59. Prof. Ajoy Kumar Singh, Professor, Dept. of Education : Member
60. Prof. Sushmita Gupta, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Science : Member
61. Prof. Kusumbar Baruah, Head, Dept. of Assamese (Diphu Campus) : Member
62. Dr. Jawaid Rahmani, Head i/c., Dept. of Urdu : Member
63. Dr. P. K. Deva Sharma, Head, Dept. of Computer Science : Member
64. Dr. Pranab Kr. Sarkar, Head, Dept. of Applied Sc. & Humanities : Member

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65. Dr. Arjundeb Sensarma, Head, Dept. of Indian Comp. Literature : Member
66. Dr. Shuvasish Choudhury, Head i/c. Central Instrumentation Lab. : Member
67. Dr. Paul B Chonzik, Head, Dept. of History (Diphu Campus) : Member
68. Dr. A. Ibemcha Chanu, Head i/c., Commerce, (Diphu Campus) : Member
69. Mr. Aniruddha Kumar, Head, Dept of Hindi (Diphu Campus) : Member
70. Dr. R. R. Mishra, Senior most Associate Professor : Member
71. Dr. R. Chakrabroty, Principal, Karimganj College, Karimganj : Member
72. Dr. S. S. Nath, Principal, Cachar College, Silchar : Member
73. Dr. Debashish Roy, Principal, Radha Madhab College, Silchar : Member
74. Dr. Jayasree Chakraborty, Principal, P.D.U.A.Mahavidyalaya, Eraligool: Member
75. Mrs. Aprarna Bhattacharjee, Principal, T. T. College, Silchar : Member
76. Dr. Baharul Islam Laskar, Principal, M. C. D. College, Sonai : Member
77. Sri Pulak Dhar, Asstt. Registrar (Representative of Non-Teaching) : Member
78. Shri Ranjit Das, Assistant, (Representative of Non-Teaching) : Member
79. Smt. Parishmita Sarma, Student of Microbiology(Representatives of student): Member
80. Sri Subhra Jyoti Sarkar, Student of Law(Representatives of student) : Member
81. Sri Ratnadeep Paul, Ph.D. Scholar of Visual Arts(Representatives of student): Member

At the outset Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath, Vice-Chancellor informed the House that the tenure of earlier Chancellor of Assam University was over and the Ministry of Education has not nominated the new Chancellor. In absence of the Chancellor and the Chairman of the Court, the Vice-Chancellor has chaired the meeting and welcomed all the members present specially the **Visitor's Nominees** Prof. Sanjay Kumar Dwivedi, Professor & Head, Dept. of Computer Science, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, Prof. Sanjeev Arjunrao Sonawane, Professor & Head, Dept. of Education and Extension, Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, Prof. Wahengbam Chandbabu Singh, Professor, Manipur Institute of Management Studies, Manipur University, Imphal, Dr. Bharati Singh, Director, Dept. of Home Science Extension Education, Institute of Home Science, Khandari, Agra & Prof. Amarendra Kumar Das, Department of Design, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati alongwith other members attended the meeting through video conference. The following items were taken up for discussion and resolved as :

Item No. 1 : To confirm the Minutes of 20th meeting of the University Court held on 13th March 2019 :

Court:21:12-20:1 : The Minutes of the 20th meeting of the Court held on 13th March 2019 was placed in the meeting for consideration and confirmation.

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Resolution : The minutes of the 20th meeting of the Court held on 13th March 2019, were perused by the members and no comments received. The members have agreed on the contents of the said minutes and the Court confirmed and approved the same.

Item No. 2 : Annual Report for the year 2018-2019 :

Court:21:12-20:2 : The Annual Report for the year 2018-2019 as approved by the 129th Meeting of the Executive Council vide resolution No EC:129:11-19:17 dtd. 26th November, 2019 was placed before the Court for information. However, the Annual Report has already been forwarded to MHRD for placing before the Parliament. The Annual Report was placed in the meeting for perusal of the members.

Resolution : The Registrar and the Member-Secretary of the Court has briefed the Annual Report for the year 2018-2019 before the House and on perusal of the same the Court approved and ratified the Report ex post facto.

Item No. 3 : Annual Accounts of Assam University for the financial year 2018-2019 :

Court:21:12-20:3 : The audited Annual Accounts and Separate Audit Report (SAR) of Comptroller & Auditor General (C&AG) of India on the accounts of Assam University for the financial year 2018-19 was recommended by the Finance Committee in its 57th meeting held on 25th November 2019 vide Resolution No. FC:57/04 and approved by the Executive Council of the University in its 129th meeting held on 26th November 2019 vide Resolution No. EC:129:11-19:16. The Annual Accounts for the financial year 2018-19 was placed in the meeting.

The audited Annual Accounts with C&AG Audit Report were placed before the both Houses of Parliament and laid in Rajya Sabha on 12.12.2019 and in Lok Sabha on 03.02.2020.

The Finance Committee in its 58th meeting held on 15th July 2020 vide Resolution No. FC:58/04 recommended the compliances of the Separate Audit Report (SAR) and Management Letter of the C&AG on the Accounts of the Assam University for the financial year 2018-19 were placed in the Executive Council for approval. The Executive Council in its 135th meeting held on 15th July 2020 vide Resolution No. EC:135:07-20:1 approved the compliances of the Separate Audit Report (SAR) and Management Letter of the C&AG on the Accounts of the Assam University for the year 2018-19.

The same was placed before the Court for kind perusal.

Resolution : The Finance Officer and member of the Court has briefed the Annual Accounts and Separate Audit Report (SAR) of Comptroller & Auditor General (C&AG) of India on the accounts of Assam University for the financial year 2018-19 and on perusal of the same the Court approved and ratified the Annual Accounts 2018-19 ex post facto.

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Item No. 4 : Revised Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2019-20 and Budget Estimates for the financial year 2020-21 of Assam University :

Court:21:12-20:4 : The Revised Budget Estimates for the financial year 2019-20 amounting to Rs. 16,447.32 lakhs (Salary: Rs. 11,625.60 lakhs; Recurring Rs. 4821.72 lakhs) was recommended by the Finance Committee in its 57th meeting held on 25th November 2019 vide Resolution No. FC:57/05 and approved by the Executive Council in its 129th meeting held on 26th November 2019 vide Resolution No. EC:129:11-19:16 which have already submitted to UGC and UGC has approved the Revised Budget Estimates for the year 2019-20 under Salary Head vide letter No. 18-1/2019 (CU), dated 6th March 2020 and Recurring Head vide letter No. 18-2/2019 (CU), dated 13th March 2020.

The Budget Estimates for the financial year 2020-21 amounting to Rs. 18,394.10 lakhs (Salary Rs. 11,625.68 lakhs; Recurring Rs. 4779.92 Lakhs and Budget requirement under Capital Assets Rs. 1988.50 lakhs) were recommended by the Finance Committee in its 58th meeting held on 15th July 2020 vide Resolution No. FC:58/06 and approved by the Executive Council in its 135th meeting held on 15th July 2020 vide Resolution No. EC:135:07-20:1 which have already submitted to UGC and UGC has approved the annual allocation under Capital Assets-35 for the year 2020-21 vide letter No. F.1-3/2020 (CU), dated 29th September 2020.

The same was placed before the Court for kind perusal.

Resolution : The Finance Officer and member of the Court has briefed the Revised Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2019-20 and Budget Estimates for the financial year 2020-21 of Assam University before the members and on perusal of the same the Court approved and ratified the same ex post facto.

Item No. 5 : To approve the Passing of Grace of graduates for the 18th Convocation :

Court:21:12-20:5 : The 18th Convocation of the Assam University is scheduled to be held on 25th December 2020 and will confer degrees to the candidates who graduated from Assam University.

The degrees to be conferred in the 18th Convocation are placed below for approval of the members.

1. M.Phil., Ph.D. & D. Litt. degrees awarded on or after 13-02-2019 and on or before 21-02-2020.
2. Post Graduate, Under Graduate, Integrated, Diploma, B.Ed., L.L.B. and Three Year Degree Courses (B.A., B.Sc., B.Com., B.B.A., B.C.A.) completed in any of the following :
 - (a) Odd Semester Examination 2018
 - (b) Even Semester Examination 2019

Number of candidates admitted to various Degree and Diploma either in person or in absentia at 18th Convocation are as under :

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Bachelor of Arts	3053
Bachelor of Business Administration	04
Bachelor of Commerce	626
Bachelor of Science	693
B. Ed.	590
B. Pharma	35
Bachelor of Computer Applications	08
Bachelor of Science {Computer Science (Integrated)}	24
Master of Science - Computer Science (Integrated)	14
Bachelor of Social Work (Integrated)	41
Master of Social Work (Integrated)	26
Bachelor of Technology	67
Master of Technology	19
Bachelor of Visual Arts (Integrated)	31
Master of Visual Arts (Integrated)	15
LL. B. (College)	75
Bachelor of Arts (Honours)- LLB	35
B. Sc. B. Ed.	14
M. Phil/ Ph. D	259
D. Litt	01
Master of Arts	538
Master of Business Administration	41
Master of Commerce	75
Master of Education (M Ed)	07
Master of Law (LLM)	10
Master of Library & Information Science	18
Master of Mass communication	18
Master of Science	259
B.VOC March 2019	09
B.VOC July 2019	04
PGDBI (Dept. of Life Sc. & Bio-informatics)	06
PGDMM (Commerce)	09
PGDTM (Dept. of Ecology & Env. Sc)	01
PGDIT (Computer Science)	04
COP (French)	02
Total	6631

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The passing of grace of graduate for the 18th Convocation of Assam University was recommended by the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:86:01-20:49 and approved by the Executive Council vide resolution No. EC:134:05-20:41 in its 134th meeting.

It has also been resolved by the Organizing Committee for Convocation that Convocation programme shall be held from 25th December 2020 for 3-4 days as per requirement which shall include certificate distribution programme.

Resolution : The Controller of Examinations placed the matter related to passing of grace of graduate for the 18th Convocation scheduled to be held on 25th December 2020 with number of candidates admitted to various Degree and Diploma either in person or in absentia. It was also expressed that the Certificate distribution will take place on 26th, 27th & 28th December 2020 respectively keeping in view social distancing norms during the pandemic period. Also a minor correction in the above mentioned agenda was made in respect to number of candidates for BBA from 04 to 08 and for BCA from 08 to 04 alongwith inclusion of B.VOC course under point 2 of the said item. The members perused and approved the same.

However, the Court was in the opinion that for future Convocation in the University keeping in view the increasing number of students, physical presence in the Convocation shall be restricted. The Court authorized the Vice Chancellor to constitute a Committee to look into this issue of framing guidelines for the same.

Item No. 6 : Item from the Chair :


Court:21:12-20:6 : No item was placed from the Chair.

The Chairman on behalf of the University requested all members of the Court to join online in the 18th Convocation on 25th December 2020.

The meeting came to an end with vote of thanks from and to the Chair.



(Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath)
Registrar & Member-Secretary
Court
Assam University, Silchar



(Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath)
Vice-Chancellor & Chairman
Court
Assam University, Silchar