



MINUTES
OF
139TH MEETING
OF THE
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON
23rd FEBRUARY 2021 AT 11.30 A.M.
IN THE 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 139th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 23rd February 2021 at 11.30 A.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. Sivasish Biswas, Pro-Vice Chancellor, AUDC : Member
3. Prof. Manoj Kr. Sinha, Dean, School of Library Sciences : Member
4. Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar, Dean, School of Legal Studies : Member
5. Prof. Gopalji Mishra, Senior most Professor : Member
6. Dr. P. K. Deva Sarma, Senior most Associate Professor : Member
7. Dr. Debashish Roy, Principal, Radhamadab College, Silchar : Member
8. Dr. Baharul Islam Laskar, Principal, M.C.D. College, Sonai : Member
9. Dr. Subhadeep Dhar, Finance Officer i/c. : Permanent Invitee
10. Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Registrar : 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.
3. Dr. Anupam Mishra, Visitor's Nominee : Member
Vice-Chancellor, Central Agricultural University, Imphal.

Members absent :

1. Shri Jahnu Barua, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)
2. Dr. Devika Barman, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)
3. Smt. Drimsibon Kharkongor, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)

4. Dr. M. K. Sharma, Principal, Diphu Govt. College : Member
(Absent without intimation)
5. Dr. G Phukan, Director, Higher Education, Govt. of Assam : Member
(Absent without intimation)
6. Prof. G.P. Pandey, Dean of Creative Arts & Communication Studies: Member
(Absent with intimation)
7. Prof. Dipendu Das, Dean of English & Foreign Languages Studies : Member
(Absent with intimation)

At the outset the Vice-Chancellor and the Chairman welcomed all the members of the Executive Council.

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

(A) Agenda item for confirmation:

Item No. 1 : Confirmation of the minutes of the 138th Meeting of EC :

EC:139:02-21:01 : The minutes of the 138th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 18th December 2020 was placed for consideration and confirmation.

Resolution : The Council perused the minutes of the 138th Meeting of the Executive Council and there being no comment from any of the member the minutes considered to be confirmed.

(B) Agenda item for ratification by the Council:

Item No. 2 : Appointment of Heads of the Departments :

EC:139:02-21:02 : The competent authority has appointed the following faculty members as HODs or HOD in-charges which are placed for ratification by the Executive Council :

| Sl. No. | Name of the Faculty | Department | Effective Date | Order No. | Period |
|---------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------|
| 1. | Prof. Ajay Kumar Singh | Education | 21.01.2021 | 102/4/2020-Estt dated. 12.01.2021 | 3 years |
| 2. | Prof. Piyush Pandey | Microbiology | 22.01.2021 | 102/4/2020-Estt dated. 18.01.2021 | 3 years |
| 3. | Prof. Laxmi Narayan Sethi | Agricultural Engineering | 20.01.2021 | 102/4/2020-Estt dated. 19.01.2021 | 3 years |
| 4. | Prof. Parag Shil | Commerce | 01.02.2021 | 102/4/2020-Estt dated. 18.01.2021 | 3 years |

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 3 : Appointment of Deans of Schools

EC:139:02-21:03 : The competent authority has appointed the following faculty member as Dean which are placed for ratification by the Executive Council :

| Sl. No. | Name of the Faculty | School | Effective Date | Order No. | Period |
|---------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|---------|
| 1. | Prof. Laxmi Narayan Sethi | Triguna Sen School of Technology | 29.01.2021 | 102/3/2020-Estt dated 18.01.2021 | 3 Years |

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 4 : Acceptance of joining report of Prof Sankar Kumar Ghosh :

EC:139:02-21:04 : Subject to the ratification by the Executive Council the competent authority has accepted the joining report dated 19/12/2020 submitted by Prof Sankar Kumar Ghosh, Dept of Biotechnology before completion of lien granted to him w.e.f. 21/12/2016 to 20/12/2020. It may be noted that Dr. Ghosh was granted lien for a period of 4 years to enable him to join as Vice Chancellor, University of Kalyani.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the joining of Prof. Ghosh.

Item No. 5 : Acceptance of joining report of Dr Habibur Rahman Laskar :

EC:139:02-21:05 : Subject to the ratification by the Executive Council the competent authority has accepted the joining report dated 1/1/2021 submitted by Dr Habibur Rahman Laskar, Dept of Business Administration before completion of extra ordinary leave. It may be noted that Dr Laskar was granted extra ordinary leave for a period of one year initially w.e.f. 9/1/2018 to 8/1/2019 to enable him to join as Asstt Professor at Al Baha University, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Later on he was granted extension of extra ordinary leave w.e.f. 9/1/2019 to 8/1/2020 and 9/1/2020 to 8/1/2021.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the joining of Dr Habibur Rahman Laskar.

Item No. 6 : Termination of lien of Dr Ajoy Kumar Khan :

EC:139:02-21:06 : Subject to the ratification of the Executive Council the competent authority has terminated the lien granted to Dr Ajoy Kumar Khan, Asstt Professor, Dept of Computer Science & Engineering vide order dated 5/1/2021. It may be noted that Dr

Khan was granted lien for a period of one year w.e.f. 18/11/2019 to 17/11/2020 to enable him to join as Associate Professor at Mizoram University. Since no specific order of extension of probation period in respect of Dr Khan has been received from Mizoram University, the lien has been terminated as per UGC Regulation 2018 and the decisions of the Executive Council vide resolution no. EC:138:12-20:14.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the item.

Item No. 7 : Termination of lien of Dr Hilloljyoti Singha :

EC:139:02-21:07 : Subject to the ratification of the Executive Council the competent authority has terminated the lien granted to Dr Hilloljyoti Singha, Asstt Professor, CBNRC, Dept of Ecology & Environmental Science vide order dated 3/2/2021. It may be noted that Dr Singha was granted lien for a period of one year w.e.f. 23/12/2019 to 22/12/2020 to enable him to join as Professor, Dept of Zoology at Bodoland University. Since no specific order of extension of probation period in respect of Dr Singha has been received from Bodoland University, the lien has been terminated as per UGC Regulation 2018 and the decisions of the Executive Council vide resolution no. EC:138:12-20:14.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 8 : Termination of lien of Dr Priya Ranjan Kumar :

EC:139:02-21:08 : Subject to the ratification of the Executive Council the competent authority has terminated the lien granted to Dr Priya Ranjan Kumar, Asstt Professor, Dept of Law vide order dated 3/2/2021. It may be noted that Dr Kumar was granted lien for a period of one year w.e.f. 12/12/2019 to 11/12/2020 to enable him to join as Associate Professor, Dept of Law at Tezpur University. Since no specific order of extension of probation period in respect of Dr Kumar has been received from Tezpur University, the lien has been terminated as per UGC Regulation 2018 and the decisions of the Executive Council vide resolution no. EC:138:12-20:14.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

**Item No. 9 : Appointment of Head in the various department of Assam University
Diphu Campus, Diphu.**

EC:139:02-21:09 : The term of headship of various department of Assam University, Diphu Campus, Diphu as mentioned below are likely to be expired soon. The detail of Professor / Associate Professor in the department is given below:-

| Sl. No | Name of the Dept. | Name of the Prof/Asso. Prof/Asstt Prof. being present Head/Head Incharge/Head of Centre | Date of appointment as Professor/ Asso. Professor /Asstt. Prof. | Date of expiry of term of Head | Remarks |
|--------|-------------------|---|--|--------------------------------|--|
| 1 | English | Dr. Anup Kumar Dey | 14.03.2011 (Appointed as Assistant Professor now Associate Professor) | 1.7.2021 | There are two Professors in the Dept. viz Prof. Sivasish Biswash and Prof. Bishnu Charan Dash. It is mentioned here that Prof. Sivasish Biswas is functioning to the post of Pro Vice Chancellor, AUDC. Since Prof. B.C.Dash has been suffering ill health for a long period, Dr. Anup Kumar Dey may be given HOD for a second term. |
| 6 | Political Science | Dr. Khokan Chandra Das | 28.3.2009 (Appointed as Reader now Associate Professor) | 25.06.2021 | There is no other Professor/Associate Professor in the Dept. Hence Dr. K. C. Das may be allowed to continue as HOD. |

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the item.

Item No. 10 : Matter Pertaining to Promotions Under Career Advancement Scheme of Faculties as per UGC Regulations :

EC:139:02-21:10 : The duly constituted committee has recommended the following promotion/ placement under CAS in respect of the following faculties.

| Sl. No | Department | Name of Faculty | Promotion / Placement | Date of effect |
|--------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1. | Life Sc & Bioinformatics | Dr Shubhadeep Roy Choudhury * | Asstt Professor Stage-II to Stage III | 22.06.2019 |
| 2. | -Do- | Dr Anupom Borah | -Do- | 28.10.2018 |
| 3. | -Do- (Diphu Campus) | Dr N. L. Raju | -Do- | 26.03.2019 |
| 4. | Physics | Dr A. Seniorita Devi | -Do- | 22.07.2019 |

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| 5. | -Do- | Dr Bidhan Mohanta | -Do | 09.07.2019 |
| 6. | -Do- | Dr P. K. Shukla | -Do- | 22.03.2019 |
| 7. | Commerce | Dr. Kingshuk Adhikari | -Do- | 17.03.2019 |
| 8. | -Do- | Dr. A. S. Yarso | -Do- | 23.03.2019 |
| 9. | -Do- | Dr Soma Roy Dey Choudhury | -Do- | 22.03.2019 |
| 10. | -Do- (Diphu Campus) | Dr Joyjit Sanyal | Asstt Professor Stage-I to Stage II | 20.03.2019 |
| 11. | Business Administration | Dr H. R. Laskar | -Do- | 17.09.2014 |
| 12. | -Do- | Dr Juthika Konwar | Asstt Professor Stage-II to Stage III | 20.11.2019 |
| 13. | Visual Arts | Dr Nilam Kumari | Asstt Professor Stage-I to Stage II | 24.02.2017 |
| 14. | Computer Science | Sri Biswa Ranjan Roy | -Do- | 23.01.2020 |
| 15. | -Do- | Sri Bhagwan S Meena | Asstt Professor Stage-II to Stage III | 04.03.2020 |
| 16. | -Do- | Dr Indrani Das | - Do - | 14.02.2018 |
| 17. | -Do- | Dr Rakesh Kumar | - Do - | 23.02.2019 |
| 18. | -Do- | Sri Saptarshi Paul | - Do - | 01.04.2020 |

* Subject to submission of Equivalence Certificate.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the item.

Item No. 11 : Grant of Lien to Dr. Robindra Teron, Assistant Professor, Department of Life Science & Bioinformatics, AUDC :

EC:139:02-21:11 : This is to mention here that consequent upon the appointment of Dr. Robindra Teron, Assistant Professor, Department of Life Science & Bioinformatics, Assam University, Diphu Campus, Diphu to join as Director, North Eastern Institute of Folk Medicine (NEIFM), Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh in the Pay Level 13 of Pay Matrix, (PB-4) Rs. 37400-67000+Grade Pay of Rs. 8700/- (Pre-revised) as per offer of appointment letter issued by the Under Secretary to the Govt. Of India, Ministry of AYUSH, (Ayurveda Section), AYUSH Bhawan, Block "B", GPO Complex, INA, New Delhi-110023 vide No. Y-12011/2/2020-AS dtd. 23.12.2020 and as per approval accorded by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, AUS vide dtd. 6/1/2021 subject to ratification by the Executive Council, AUS.

Dr. Robindra Teron, Asstt. Prof was released from the duties of the Assam University, Diphu Campus w.e.f. 13.01.2021 (Afternoon) with grant of Lien for a period of five years w.e.f. 14.01.2021 (Forenoon) to 13.01.2026 (Afternoon) to join as Director, North Eastern Institute of Folk Medicine (NEIFM), Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : Matter ratified by the Council.

Item No. 12 : Grant of Lien to Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Joint Registrar :

EC:139:02-21:12 : Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Joint Registrar has been appointed for the post of Registrar, Assam University, Silchar vide offer of appointment no.102/2/2019/Rect /934 dated 18-12-2020 and was released from the post of Joint Registrar on 18-12-2020 by granting lien of a period of five (05) years to enable him to join in this new assignment vide order No. 103/787/2010-Estt/5025-28 dated 18-12-2020.

The matter was placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the item with minor correction on date of joining of Dr. P. K. Nath to the post of Registrar as 19-12-2020 in place of 18-12-2020.

Item No. 13 : Ratification of combine seniority in respect of Technical Employees of the University :

EC:139:02-21:13 : Considering the very less opportunities/scope of promotion of Technical Cadres and in absence of grant of new posts for a long period, the University authority has decided for combined seniority and inter-departmental seniority simultaneously in respect of Technical Employees of the University. However, determination of seniority shall be considered as per GOI guidelines/approved Recruitment and Promotion Policy of Non-Teaching staff in force. In case of Technical employees, there shall be both department wise seniority as well as combined seniority of the concerned employees of the cadre. Where there are no eligible departmental candidates for promotion to the concerned post of the department, then promotion shall be considered on the basis of combined seniority list provided that the candidate is found fit in respect to qualification and provision of Roster for non-teaching staff. On the basis of posts earmarked as per Roster, the University has already taken steps and by which some of the non-teaching technical staff were promoted to higher post through Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) held on 22-09-2017 and in next DPC held on 20-09-2018. As such, the combined seniority of Technical Cadre/intra-departmental seniority among the Non-Teaching employees may be considered for the cases where qualification & Roster is maintained in letter & spirit. The matter was placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council discussed on the issue in detail and ratified the action taken by the University Administration.

Item No. 14 : Promotion of Dr. Shuvasish Choudhury from Stage-I to Stage-II :

EC:139:02-21:14 : Executive Council vide resolution No. EC:123:11-18:07 dated 27th November 2018 has deferred the promotion of Dr. Shuvasish Choudhury, Assistant Professor from Stage-I to Stage-II w.e.f. 16-11-2014 and asked for administrative scrutiny of the same. The matter has been thereafter examined administratively and it has been found that the sanction letter of the post and the offer of appointment letter to Dr. Shuvasish Choudhury is for the post of Assistant Professor. Accordingly, the administrative view is that the promotion of Dr. Choudhury will be regulated by UGC Regulation on minimum qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic

staff in Universities and Colleges and other measures for the maintenance of standards in higher education in force.

Therefore, his promotion recommended in tune with UGC Regulation in force is valid.

The matter was placed before the Council for perusal and ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 15 : Eligibility of Skilled Daily Wagers of AUS in respect to their application for employment in the University :

EC:139:02-21:15 : A good number of Skilled Daily Wagers have applied for different posts in Assam University w.r.t. Employment Notification No. 2/20202 dtd. 28-05-2020 and 3/2020 dtd. 21-9-2020. These candidates are over aged as per advertisement made by the University. However, similar cases were considered for appearing into Written Test for various posts in early occasions. The list of the candidates under such category shall be placed by the Recruitment Cell in the meeting for relaxation of age and the Screening Committee has already screened these applications positively.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

(C) Agenda item for approval/decision by the Council:

Item No. 16 : Continuation/Completion of ongoing Recruitment process of AU in view of forthcoming election in the state :

EC:139:02-21:16 : Process of recruitment in Assam University is going on against Employment Notification No. (i) 2020 dtd. 01-01-2020, (ii) 2020 dtd. 28-05-2020, (iii) 2020 dtd. 21-09-2020, (iv) 2020 dtd. 03-11-2020 and (v) 2020 dtd. 15-12-2020 for teaching & non-teaching posts. Keeping in view the forthcoming election in the state of Assam, the University administration has sought permission from the Chief Election Commissioner of India vide letter No. AUR/15-1/2021 dtd. 4th February 2021. The matter is placed before the Executive Council for information that the permission as said is necessary to complete the recruitment process by March 15, 2021 in view of the end of tenure of present Vice Chancellor by May 15, 2021. The University is in hope that necessary permission will be accorded by the Election Commission of India as the University is a Central Autonomous Body. However, to continue teaching and learning process without interruption selection of faculties and support staff stands essential. Therefore, until a response is received from the Election Commission of India, the Vice Chancellor of the University may be authorized to carry on with the ongoing process of recruitment which is in advanced stage now and to issue offer of appointment letters on due recommendations of the duly constituted Selection Committee.

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

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Item No. 17 : Matter Pertaining to Promotions Under Career Advancement Scheme of Faculties as per UGC Regulations :

EC:139:02-21:17 : The duly constituted committee has recommended the following promotion/ placement under CAS in respect of the following faculties.

| Sl No | Department | Name of Faculty | Promotion / Placement | Date of effect |
|-------|---------------|------------------------|--|----------------|
| 1 | Earth Science | Dr. M. Faruque Hussain | Associate Professor to Professor | 14.03.2019 |
| 2 | Physics | Dr. Himadri Sekhar Das | Assistant Professor Stage III to Associate Professor | 03.10.2019 |
| 3 | CIL | Dr. S. S. Nath | Associate Professor to Professor | 15.10.2015 |
| 4 | Sports & PE | Dr. L. Dibamani Singh | Deputy Director Stage III to Stage IV | 17.05.2013 |

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the above CAS cases.

Item No. 18 : Delegation of administrative power to dispose of files :

EC:139:02-21:18 : In recent times with increase in activities and employees of the University, the numbers of files have increased significantly. As all these files are ultimately sent to Vice Chancellor for approval of any concerned matter; the time taken in disposal of files has also increased. In matter of urgent routine issues also, concerned dept/employees has to wait for considerable time to get their issue addressed. It is therefore desired that file concerning policy matter or decision other than routine matter are only placed before Registrar/Vice Chancellor. Routine files like application for Refresher/Orientation Course, outside employment etc may be disposed of at the section level so that processing is expedited. A detailed classification of tasks to be addressed/disposed of at various levels shall be placed in meeting for discussion and decision.

Resolution : The matter approved. The Council advised the University to constitute a committee headed by Prof. Gopalji Mishra, Registrar's representative, FO's representative and the rest members of the committee to be nominated by the Registrar.

Item No. 19 : Recruitment to Government (Assam) departments through Universities in the state of Assam :

EC:139:02-21:19 : Government of Assam vide meeting on 5th October 2020 with representatives of various Universities of the State resolved to entrust recruitment of various Government Departments of Assam through Universities of Assam. Accordingly, Assam University has been entrusted to hold examination for Social Welfare and Social Conservation Departments. The responsibility of holding examination from advertisement to declaration of result shall lie with the University. The cost of holding examination shall be borne by the Assam State Government and

accordingly Assam University has already submitted tentative budget as per the format provided by the State Government. The entire process has to be completed latest by February 2021. The University is in the process of getting into an Agreement in this regard with the State Government. Matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the item.

Item No. 20 : Matter related to term of AUSU Membership :

EC:139:02-21:20 : In pursuance of the Clause 6.5.8 of the recommendations of the Lyndoh Committee accepted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide order dtd. 2nd December 2005 and UGC directives vide D. O. No. F.9-6/2005 dtd. November 2006 for compliance, only regular full time student; i.e, Bonafide student can take part in Student Election. In other words, students who are not required to pay tuition fees/attend regular classes shall cease the right of taking part in Student Election or retaining AUSU Membership even if they were members earlier.

The matter was placed before the Council for perusal and approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the item as placed and the same needs to be notified for information of all concerned.

Item No. 21 : Amendment of ORDINANCE 26, "On the notification of vacancies and preliminary selection" :

EC:139:02-21:21 : The University has already adopted "Web Based Recruitment Framework" during 2020 like many other Universities of the country and the Executive Council vide its resolution EC: 136:09-20:06 ratified the decision and action taken in this regard.

The University has already begun the process of selection in the new web based framework, and so far the web based framework is running smoothly, however this shift from offline process to online process of notification of vacancies and preliminary selection of both teaching/academic and non-teaching positions; some minor modification /amendment on the Ordinance cited above is required due to specific procedural purpose and technical needs.

In view of above it is proposed that a four member committee is to be constituted by the Vice Chancellor for submission of recommendations of required amendments within a period of ten days for reporting and approval of the Council.

Resolution : The item as placed was approved by the Council and a 03 members committee to be constituted headed by Prof. Nagendra Pandey, Prof. Jayoti Bhattacharyya , Prof. Prodip Paul whereas the Assistant Registrar, Recruitment shall be the member convenor of the committee.

Item No. 22 : Matter relating to complaint under PIDR against official of Assam University & inquiry thereupon :

EC:139:02-21:22 : As per the directives of the Ministry of Education, Assam University conducted a detailed inquiry into the charges and submitted final report for 2nd stage advice to the Ministry on 5th November 2019 along with the comments of CVO, Executive Council & the Charged Officers. But till date 2nd stage advice has not been conveyed to Assam University by Ministry instead of repeated reminders. The charged officials have also made several representations during intervening period to issue final order as they are denied their legitimate rights to career opportunities due to delay in the process. As per CVC guidelines, inquiry is supposed to be completed within 18 months but in instant case already more than 3 & ½ years as of now has lapsed. In view of the above, University has requested JS and CVO, DHE, Ministry of Education to kindly look into the matter and provide 2nd stage advice at the earliest for passing final order by the University. It has also been intimated that in case a response to this effect is not received within one month (30 days) time, we will presume that the Ministry has accepted the report as it is and the University will issue final order.

The matter was placed before the Council for perusal and for authorizing the Vice Chancellor to issue an order to this effect, if required.

Resolution : Correction in the agenda items was made as follows :

“As per the directives of the Ministry of Education, Assam University conducted a detailed inquiry into the charges and submitted final report for 2nd stage advice to the Ministry on 26-03-2019 vide letter No. AUR/11-1-2019. Further, as per the requirement of the Ministry, the comments of the Charged Officers, CVO and the Executive Council were sent on 5th November 2019”.

Thereafter, the Council discussed the issue in detail, and the members expressed concern over the inordinate delay in disposal of the matter. The Council perused all relevant reports related to the matter placed before the members. The Council took cognizance of the latest communication to the Ministry on the subject requesting a timely response on the matter within 30 days. The Council thus authorized the Vice Chancellor to take appropriate decision as deem fit after the expiry of the 30 days period. Besides, the Council also resolved that the Vice Chancellor may seek the legal views of the Standing Counsel of the University as has been suggested by the CVO prior to a final decision on the matter.

Item No. 23 : Matter relating to Disciplinary Proceedings against Dr. Sudipto Sarkar & payment of salary :

EC:139:02-21:23 : The Council vide EC resolution No. EC:138:12-20:20(1) authorized the Vice Chancellor to send the inquiry report back to the Inquiry Officer in order that the inquiry is completed following the extant rules for Disciplinary Proceedings as there are certain procedural lapses.

Meanwhile the Inquiry Officer has superannuated from service of the University.

Further, it has been observed in context of the resolution mentioned above the Dr. Sudipto Sarkar has submitted information of online joining in Assam University but there is no report of joining in AUDC.

Therefore the matter was placed before the Council to discuss & deliberate on inquiry on the charges and payment of Pay & Allowances of Dr. Sudipto Sarkar.

Resolution : The issue was discussed in detail and on being heard the same the Council was in the opinion that the salary of the incumbent concerned may be released upto 18-02-2021 as the University vide order No. 120/01/2015/3117-217 dtd. 18-02-2021 has made it mandatory for all staff to attend office regularly. Further, salary to be released on report of physical/offline joining at Assam University Diphu Campus. A joining report to be submitted to PVC, AUDC.

It was also decided that the inquiry of alleged sexual harassment by Dr. Sarkar is to be referred to a new Inquiry Officer in view of superannuation of the Inquiry Officer already appointed. Vice Chancellor is authorized to appoint new Inquiry Officer accordingly.

Item No. 24 : Unwanted postings on Social Media by University officials :

EC:139:02-21:24 : Several complaints have been received by the University administration in respect to derogatory and unwanted comments posted in social media by some of the University employees which badly hampered the work culture of the University by maligning the image of the employees in particular against whom the comments are made and University in general. To stop such unwanted postings/comments on social media by any employee of the University, the appropriate authority may issue circular to create awareness amongst employees to refrain from posting controversial issues in social media hurting religions/cultural/linguistic sentiments of people and passing critical views on administrative issues of the University or role of the Government or any adverse remark on officers/teachers of the University failing which Disciplinary action may be initiated against the faltering employees/Group Administrators.

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council expressed its grave concern over the issue and instructed the University Administration to take immediate action to stop such unwanted use of Social Media of various forms which results tarnishing the image of the University as well as its employees too. While approving the proposal of the University Administration, the Council advised the University to take appropriate disciplinary action against the faltering employee(s)/ Group Administrator(s).

Item No. 25 : Naming of buildings in the University :

EC:139:02-21:25 : A number of buildings have been constructed in recent times and still more are under construction. As per the convention, the University names the

building. Accordingly, a list of buildings has been identified for naming. The same shall be placed in the meeting. The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : Proposal of the University Administration for naming the buildings which are not yet named and under construction in Silchar and in Diphu Campus was approved by the Council. Accordingly, following buildings taken into consideration:

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| 1. | 100 Bedded Boys' Hostel, AUDC | - Khorsing Terang Boys' Hostel |
| 2. | 100 Bedded Girls' Hostel, AUDC | - Rongpharpi Rongbe Girls' Hostel |
| 3. | Laboratory Building, AUDC | - Meghnad Saha Laboratory Building |
| 4. | Pharmaceutical Science Building, AUS | - Moulana Abul Kalam Azad Pharmaceutical Science Building |
| 5. | 100 Bedded Boys' Hostel, AUS | - } Vice Chancellor is authorized - } to finalize the names |
| 6. | 100 Bedded Girls' Hostel, AUDC | |
| 7. | Examination Building, AUS | - Rajmohan Nath Examination Building |

Item No. 26 : Item from the Chair :

EC:139:02-21:26.1 : The Council ratified the name of Prof. Geetika Bagchi as nominee in the Selection Committee. Thereafter, the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the post of Assistant Registrar in Silchar as well as for the Diphu Campus of the University was placed before the Council and the Council approved the said recommendation as:

- A. AR (OBC) for Silchar HQ:**
1. Navajyoti Nath, Selected
 2. Rajdeep Ghosh, (Wait list-1)
 3. Vikash Kumar, (Wait list-2)
- B. AR (UR) for AUDC:**
1. Hrishikesh Bordoloi, Selected
 2. T N Kumar Reddy, (Wait list-1)
 3. Navajyoti Nath, (Wait list-2)

EC:139:02-21:26.2 : The Search Committee Members in respect to matter related to selection of Vice Chancellor for Assam University as proposed below is approved by the Council.

1. Prof. A P Dash, Former Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Central University
2. Prof. R P Tiwary, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Punjab.
3. Prof. Gopa Kumar, Former Vice Chancellor, Central University of Kerala

The Council advised the University to forward two names (Sl. No. 1 & 2) to the Ministry of Education and only in case any of the proposed members is unable to participate and if the Ministry requires further names the name at Sl No. 3 shall be forwarded.

EC:139:02-21:26.3 : The Chairman proposed for posting of Security Personnel at the residence of the Registrar of the University to minimize the disturbances created by strangers/visitors. The Council approved the same.

EC:139:02-21:26.4 : The Chairman appraised the Council that three months extension to comply with the directives of the Hon'ble High Court dtd. 25-11-2020 with regard to conversion of 12 nos. of cases from CPF to GPF cum pension scheme as required by the Ministry of Education is going to end on 24-02-2021. However, the Ministry is yet to finalize the matter and release grants for compliance of the order of the Court. The Council observed that the release of grants for the same by the MoE is essential for abiding by the High Court order by the University. Accordingly the Council directed the University Administration to take up the matter once again on urgent basis with the concerned Ministry for implementation of the same in time bound manner.

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



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