



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
Preliminary Minutes of the Meeting of the
Special Syndicate held on 13.01.2021

Place of Meeting : University Buildings
 Thiruvananthapuram
 Time : 04.30 PM

Members present:

1. Prof.(Dr.) V.P.Mahadevan Pillai (*In the Chair*)
 Vice-Chancellor
2. Prof.(Dr.) P.P.Ajayakumar
 Pro-Vice-Chancellor
3. Adv.G.Muralidharan Pillai
4. Sri.Jairaj.J
5. Adv.B.Balachandran
6. Sri.Bijukumar.G
7. Dr.M.Vijayan Pillai
8. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
9. Dr.S.Nazeeb
10. Adv.K.H.Babujan
11. Sri.B.P.Murali
12. Adv.A.Ajikumar
13. Prof.K.Lalitha
14. Smt.Renju Suresh

Online presence

1. Sri.Arunkumar R
2. Dr.K.B.Manoj

Spl. Syn.Item No.01 Meeting of the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development – Minutes - approval of-reg.

(Pl. G)

The minutes of the meeting of the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held at 12.01.2021(COPY APPENDED), is placed before the Syndicate for approval.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE
ON PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Date and Time : 04.00 P.M; 12.01.2021.

Venue : Senate Chamber, Senate House Campus, Palayam

Members

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| Adv.A.Ajikumar, Member, Syndicate [Convener] | Sd/- |
| Adv.K.H.Babujan, Member, Syndicate | Sd/- |
| Dr.S.Nazeeb, Member, Syndicate | Sd/- |
| Dr.K.B.Manoj, Member, Syndicate | --- |
| Sri.B.P.Murali, Member, Syndicate | --- |
| Adv.Muralidharan Pillai.G, Member, Syndicate | --- |
| Sri.Bijukumar. G, Member, Syndicate | --- |
| Sri.Jairaj. J, Member, Syndicate | --- |
| Dr.K.G. Gopchandran, Member, Syndicate | Sd/- |
| Dr. Vijayan Pillai. M, Member, Syndicate | ---- |
| Sri.Viswan Padanilam, Member, Syndicate | ---- |
| Sri.Arun Kumar. R, Member, Syndicate | ---- |

The Director (Planning and Development), the University Engineer, Deputy Registrar (P&D), Smt. Bindu A, AE, Sri. R.S Padmakumar, AEE (Ele.), Sri. Mohan P, SE (Rtd) PWD, Sri. Baby John.J, CE (Rtd.) PWD also attended the meeting. The meeting began at 5.15 P.M.

Spl. Syn.Item No.01.01 Setting up of Theatre Classrooms in the departments of the University – Approval of Estimates – reg.

[Ad. B II]

The Syndicate, at its meeting held on 15.05.2020, resolved to approve the proposal towards the modernization of 43 departments utilizing the Chancellor's Award/2014-15 Prize Money and to initiate immediate steps for implementing the same. Accordingly, an Expert Committee was constituted for finalizing the specifications for Theatre Classrooms and Smart Classrooms in the teaching departments of the University. An Expert Committee was constituted vide U.O. No. AdBII/1/21682/07/2020 dated 15.07.2020. As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Balu John, Associate Professor, Dept of Computer Science, Govt Engineering College, Palakkad was nominated as external expert in the Expert Committee vide U.O. No. Ad.BII/1/21682/07/2020 dated 01.12.2020.

The Syndicate, at its meeting held on 01.10.2020, resolved to invite Expression of Interest for implementation of Theatre Classrooms and Smart Classrooms in the teaching departments of the University and EoI notice dated 04.11.2020 was issued.

The Syndicate, at its meeting, held on 30.11.2020, resolved to constitute a sub-committee consisting of the Registrar, Vice-Chairman (CSS), IQAC Director, Campus Director, Kariavattom, Computer Centre Director, Dr. Aji S. (Associate Professor, Dept of Computer Science), Dr. G.Suresh Singh (Professor & Head, Dept of Mathematics), Dr. Manju S. Nair (Professor, Dept of Economics) & University Engineer to evaluate the bids received and submit a detailed report before the Syndicate. Accordingly, U.O. No. AdBII/1/21682/12/2020 dated 02.12.2020 was issued.

Seven quotations were received in response to the EoI notice dated 04.11.2020. The sub-committee recommended not to consider the EoI bids received from M/s Sai Tech, M/s Digital Media has not fulfill the financial criteria & M/s QCS as technically not qualified. Therefore, the other four firms (viz, M/s Godrej, M/s Macro Enterprises, M/s Keltron & M/s ITI, Palakkad) were invited for technical discussion session/presentation on 28.12.2020. The feedback and suggestions from the four eligible firms received after the presentation were forwarded to the University Engineer as well as to Dr. Aji and Instrumentation Engineer to confirm the requirements of the University and to prepare a detailed estimate for Civil, Electrical, Hardware & Networking of the proposed Theatre class room. Subsequently the University Engineer has submitted a detailed estimate for the Civil & Electrical works for a total amount of Rs. 8.5 Crores for 40 numbers of theatre class room. Instrumentation engineer has submitted an estimate amounting to Rs.31,75,000/- for networking. Dr. Aji reported that hardware components for each class room comes around Rs.25 lakh amounting to Rs. 10 crore. The special Syndicate held on 04.01.2021 considered the estimate and resolved to revise the estimate limiting the same to the proposed provision, after conducting detailed discussion in the expert committee, and to place the same before the next Syndicate. Syndicate further resolved to obtain expert opinion from Shri. Joy Sebastian, CEO Techgentia, regarding the hardware components. The Expert Committee meeting held on 05.01.2021 has reconsidered the proposal with the suggestions of outside experts Shri. Joy Sebastian & Shri. Balu John and recommended to provide 10 Theatre class rooms in the Departments of SDE, Aquatic Biology and Fisheries, Physics, Malayalam, Environmental Sciences, Political Science, Bio- Chemistry, Computer Science, Zoology and Institute of Management in Kerala and full fledged Smart Class rooms to the other 33 departments in the University. Also recommended to avoid video sharing and auto detected cameras in smart class rooms. The Expert Committee suggested to revise the estimate according to the suggestions of the experts.

The estimate of Rs. 1 Crore for installing Server and Storage which may also be used as a secondary storage of the University was forwarded by Director, KUCC. Rs.15 Lakh which was offered in the budget speech of F.Y. 2020-2021 for installing Transformer and an additional Rs.25 lakh for the enhancement of cabling and electrification of Theatre Class Rooms and Smart Class Rooms, was forwarded by Assistant Executive Engineer, Electrical.

Subsequently the estimate was revised and the details are as follows.

| Sl.No. | Nature of Work | Amount in Rs. | Submitted by |
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| 1 | Civil Work | Rs.4,80,00,000/- (including 12% GST) | University Engineer on 08.01.2020 vide letter no DB2/4050/Theatre class/2020 |
| 2 | Electrical | Rs.1,68,60,000/- (including 12% GST) | |
| 3 | Equipments | Rs.2,21,00,000/- | KUCC Director vide E mail on 08.01.2020 |
| 4 | Networking | Rs.21,50,000/- | Instrumentation Engineer vide E mail on 08.01.2020 |
| 5 | Server and Storage | Rs. 1,00,00,000/- | |
| Total | | 9,91,10,000/- | |

Additional Requirement

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| Transformer and Electric Cabling | Rs. 40,00,000/- |
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The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 08.01.2021 recommended to approve the estimate submitted as above. Further the Expert Committee held on 11.01.2021 has recommended to place the proposal and estimates before the Syndicate.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 12.01.2021 has resolved to place the estimate of Civil works/ Electrical works before the Technical Committee. As per the orders of the Vice- Chancellor the estimate of Civil/Electrical works is placed before the Standing Committee of Syndicate on Planning and Development to which the Technical Committee members are invited for consideration and recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION:

Hold discussions with the experts in the technical committee wherein the experts pointed out that the height of certain class rooms are far below the range at which it can be considered for fixing false ceiling and also suggested to consider suitable alternatives by obtaining an architectural design of false ceiling for the theatre/ smart class rooms.

•To approve the revised estimates for a total amount of Rs.9,91,10,000/- (Rupees Nine crore Ninety one lakh and ten thousand only) in respect of Civil and Electrical work submitted by University Engineer vide letter no DB2/ 4050/ Theatre class/ 2020 dated 08.01.2021, Equipments Server and Storage submitted by KUCC Director and that of Networking submitted by Instrumentation Engineer, vide e-mails dated 08.01.2021 and to grant administrative sanction accordingly, as per norms.

•To take necessary steps to obtain the service of an Architect from CET, preferably Prof. Jinoj M, CET who is associating with University in connection with the project for beautification of SH Campus, for providing the architectural design of suitable false ceiling and acoustics for the theatre / smart class rooms.

•On the basis of the architectural design thus made, steps be taken by the University Engineer to modify the estimate of false ceiling of theatre / smart class rooms accordingly, limiting it within the amount for which administrative sanction is granted.

•To entrust the Registrar for getting financial bid from the four firms shortlisted (viz, M/s Godrej, M/s Macro Enterprises, M/s Keltron & M/s ITI, Palakkad)

•To invite the lowest bidder to make presentation including lighting arrangements of false ceiling for the theatre / smart class rooms before the meeting of the Expert committee / Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.

•To entrust the University Engineer to finalize the estimates for Transformer and Electric Cabling not exceeding the cost expected as per the discussions with the University Engineer, ie; Rs. 40,00,000/- (Rupees Fourty lakhs only) and on submission of the same, administrative sanction shall be granted, as per norms.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendations of the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 12.01.2021, be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED to entrust the University Engineer to place the final estimate (incorporating with the modified estimate prepared based on the architectural design of false ceiling theatre/ classrooms) for Civil and Electrical works for setting up of theatre classroom in various teaching departments of the University before the next Syndicate.

Spl. Syn.Item No.01.02 University press at SH Campus – Construction of new building- approval of revised plan - reg.

[Ad. B I]

The University Engineer, vide letter No.DB1/New Press/999/2020 dated 12.01.2021, has informed that, as per the Syndicate resolution, the soil investigation works were carried out by the College of Engineering, Trivandrum towards the construction of new building for University press. A site lay out plan was also prepared and it may bring to the notice that the original plan was to construct a two storied building in another shape. But on conducting the soil investigation after site clearing, it was convinced that the building may come very close to the faculty guest house building which will cause disturbances to the occupants of the guest house due to heavy sound expected from the machineries. Hence, the plan is modified to another shape which is most suitable for the site and not hampering the normal functioning of the guest house. Also, the University Engineer has requested to place the matter to the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate decision.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the above matter and the revised plan for the said work is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION:

Noted the possibility of heavy sound from the machineries of the press and the close proximity of the present proposal to the faculty guest house building which will cause disturbances to the occupants.

•To approve the revised plan for the construction of new building for University press at Senate house campus submitted by the University Engineer, vide letter No.DB1/New Press/999/2020 dated 12.01.2021 modifying it to suit the site and not hampering the normal functioning of the guest house.

The meeting came to an end at 6.15 P.M

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendations of the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 12.01.2021, be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED to entrust the University Engineer to prepare the estimate for the construction of new building for University press at Senate house campus and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development

Spl. Syn. Additional Item No.1

Interaction Programme of Hon'ble Chief Minister with Students - “നവകേരളം - യുവകേരളം - മുഖ്യമന്ത്രിയും വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുമായി ആശയ വിനിമയം - Financial assistance - consideration of-reg.

(Ad.B1)

The Syndicate considered the matter and **RESOLVED** to authorize the Finance Officer to provide an amount of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rs.Ten lakhs only) in the budget allocation for organizing the Interaction programme of Hon'ble Chief Minister with Students

FURTHER RESOLVED to sanction an amount of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rs.Ten lakhs only) to Dr.P.Raghavan, Joint Registrar (Admn.) as provisional advance for meeting the expenses in connection with the above programme.

ALSO RESOLVED to initiate necessary steps to meet the fund through sponsorship from various agencies.

Spl. Syn. Additional Item No.2

Appointment of Registrar, University of Kerala – fixing of Registration fee – consideration of - reg.

(Ad.A1)

The Syndicate **RESOLVED** to fix an amount of Rs.5,000/- (Rs.Five thousand only) as registration fee for the appointment of Registrar, University of Kerala

Registrar i/c

Pro-Vice-Chancellor

Vice-Chancellor

University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram,
13.01.2021



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
Preliminary Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the
Syndicate held on 27.01.2021

Place of Meeting : University Buildings
Thiruvananthapuram
Time : 10.00 AM

Members present:

1. Prof.(Dr.) V.P.Mahadevan Pillai (*In the Chair*)
Vice-Chancellor
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Pro-Vice-Chancellor
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12. Dr.B.Unnikrishnan Nair
13. Prof.K.Lalitha
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Online presence

15. Sri.Arunkumar R
16. Dr.V.Mathew
17. Adv.A.Ajikumar
18. Sri.B.P.Murali
19. Sri.Vijayakumar.R, Additional Secretary, Higher Education Department.

Item No. 22.03. Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Syndicate held on 13.01.2021 -reg.

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The Syndicate considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Syndicate held on 13.01.2021.

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