



# UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

# Preliminary Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.11.2023

(Re-accredited by NAAC with 'A++' Grade)

Place of Meeting : University Buildings,

Thiruvananthapuram

Time : 02.00 PM

#### Members Present:

1. Dr. Mohanan Kunnumal (*In the Chair*) Vice–Chancellor

- 2. Adv.Muraleedhran Pillai G
- 3. Sri.R. Rajesh
- 4. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
- 5. Dr.S.Jayan
- 6. Dr.Shijukhan J.S.
- 7. Sri.Rajesh Kumar M., Additional Secretary,
  Electronics and Information Technology Department
- 8. Sri.Anilkumar V.S., Additional Secretary, Higher Education Department
- 9. Dr.P.M. Radhamany

Item No. 06.01 Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023-reg.

(Ac.A.I)

The Syndicate considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023 with the following modifications:

Item No.04.81 Name in the Agenda note and resolution be corrected as 'Dr.D. Latheesh' instead of 'Dr.B. Latheesh'

(Ac.FII)

Item No.04.115 2<sup>nd</sup> Resolution be modified as **FURTHER RESOLVED** that in future 'date of fine' be fixed in the Examination Notification.

(EF.V)

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Item No. 06.02 Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 12.10.2023-reg.

(Ac.A.I)

The Syndicate considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 12.10.2023 with the following modifications:

**Item No.05.51.D4 Recommendation be modified as** 'The committee considered the matter and recommended to constitute a subcommittee comprising of Dr. K.G. Gopchandran, '*Dr.J.S.Shijukhan and Dr.S.Jayan*', Dr. P.M. Radhamany, Members Syndicate, Director IQAC, Director Research to study the matter and submit a detailed report in this regard.

(Ac.E1/ Ac.EV)

Item No.05.51.D12 Recommendation be modified as 'The Committee considered the matter and recommended 'to grant three months of grace time for submitting thesis to' Sri. Anil Kumar R. after levying a fine of Rs 2000/- (Two thousand only) for every 30 days or part thereof with effect from 27/11/2020 i.e. from the date of issuance of U.O No. Ac.EII/3/2020 dated 27/11/2020.

(Ac.E1/Ac.EV(A))

Item No.05.51.E6 First Resolution be modified as 'The Syndicate noted that CPWD was entrusted to prepare the DPR for the establishment of Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics as per the decision of the Syndicate held on 20.05.2023. The CPWD was requested to provide the clarification regarding the willingness to execute the work of completion of DPR within a maximum period of five "weeks". CPWD informed that the work will be accepted only with the conditions of deposit as per CPWD Works Manual 2022. On the basis of the letter from the CPWD, the Syndicate RESOLVED to invite Expression of Interest on National Level for the preparation of the DPR for the establishment of Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics'.

(Ac.E1/Pl.F)

**Item No.05.51.E7 Resolution be added as "FURTHER RESOLVED** to approve the remarks of the Finance Officer on the request from M/s. PFMS to pay 12% over and above the rate quoted by the F5 sustainability consultants.

(Ac.E1/Pl.F)

Item No.05.52.30 Recommendation be modified as 'The Committee considered the above matter along with the Judgment of the Hon'ble High Court dated 23.11.2022 in WP(C) No.6815/2021 filed by Smt. G Shirmila Jose and observed that applications were invited under community quota for the appointment of Assistant Professor in Botany at All Saints' College, Trivandrum and College represents the Latin Catholic Community. As per the entries in the SSLC book of Dr. Pressy P. Prakasia, she belongs to the LC Anglo Indian.

As per G.O.(P)No.1/2021/PIE&MD dated 07/10/2021, entries regarding caste made in SSLC Book can be taken into consideration for verification, instead of caste certificate issued by the Revenue authorities .

In the light of the G.O mentioned above, the Committee recommended to regularise the provisional approval granted to Dr. Pressy P Prakasia as Assistant Professor in Botany w.e.f "01.06.2021," under community merit at All Saints' College, Trivandrum.

(Ac.BII/ Ac.F1)

Item No.05.52.50 Recommendation be modified as 'The committee considered the matter and recommended that the remuneration to the writers whose contributions are taken as textual contents of the study materials of the University shall be continued as Rs.1500/- (Rupees One thousand five hundred only) 'w.e.f. the expiry date of the existing orders'.

(Ad AVI/Ad Misc)

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Item No. 06.03

Appointments/ Career Advancement Promotion, if any – reg.

(Ad.H/Ad.D.II Section)

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

- I. Career Advancement Promotion
- 1. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.S.M.A. Shibli, from the post of Professor (Academic Level 14) to Senior Professor (Academic Level 15) in the Department of Chemistry, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 26.10.2023.

**RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.S.M.A. Shibli,** from the post of Professor (Academic Level 14) to Senior Professor (Academic Level 15) in the Department of Chemistry, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 16.06.2022 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.

- 2. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.Ramesh Kumar T., from the post of Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 10.11.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Ramesh Kumar T.**, from the post of Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 30.05.2022 held on 10.11.2023, be approved.
- 3. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.Shaji E., from the post of Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Geology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 10.11.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Shaji E.**, from the post of Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Geology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 13.03.2023 held on 10.11.2023, be approved.
- 4. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.C.S. Suchith from the post of Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 26.10.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.C.S. Suchith from the post of Associate Professor** (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 20.03.2023 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.
- 5. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.Herman P.J., from the post of Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 26.10.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Herman P.J.**, from the post of Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 13.03.2023 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.
- 6. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.S. Venumohan from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) to Associate Professor (Academic Level 13A) in the Department of History, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 26.10.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.S.Venumohan** from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) to Associate Professor (Academic Level 13A) in the Department of History, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 01.01.2022 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.
- 7. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.Indu K.G., from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) to Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 26.10.2023.

- **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Indu K.G., from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) to Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A)** in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 28.06.2022 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.
- 8. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.Bushara Beegom R.K., from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) to Associate Professor (Academic Level 13A) in the Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 26.10.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Bushara Beegom R.K.**, from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) to Associate Professor (Academic Level 13A) in the Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 29.11.2022 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.
- 9. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.Rajan T.K. from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 11) to Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 26.10.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Rajan T.K.** from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 11) to Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 28.05.2022 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.
- 10. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.Manju V.N., from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 11) to Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) in the Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 10.11.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Manju V.N.**, from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 11) to Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) in the Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 09.08.2023 held on 10.11.2023, be approved.
- 11. Minutes of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of Dr.M.S. Jayakumar, from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 11) to Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) in the Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme held on 10.11.2023.
  - **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.M.S. Jayakumar**, from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 11) to Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) in the Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 05.10.2021 held on 10.11.2023, be approved.

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Item No: 06.04

Shastri Indo Canadian Institute - Grant-in-Aid for Shastri Research Grant Project Proposal 2020-21 - Release of fund to Dr.Antony Palackal, Professor, Dept. of Sociology - Reporting of - reg.

(Ac.D)

Ref: - 1. U.O.No. Ac D/1/129/2021 dated 06.12.2021 2. U.O.No. Ac D/1/116/2023 dated 13.07.2023

Dr.Antony Palackal, Professor, Dept. of Sociology and Lead Applicant of Shastri Research Grant had requested to release an amount of Rs.2,33,702/- (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty-three Thousand Seven Hundred and Two only) received from Shastri Indo Candian Institute, Canada, being the 75% of the total Grant–in-Aid for the Shastri Research Grant Project Proposal 2020-21 and to endorse him

to transfer an amount of Rs.1,38,222/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty eight Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty two only) to Queen's University, Canada, the Co-applicant of the programme, as the financial nature of the project is that the sanctioned budget amount has to be shared between the two Universities.

The Finance has endorsed (Finance Endorsement No.FOS 2840/Finance II/2021-22 dated 22.09.2021) to release an amount of Rs.2,33,702/- (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty-three Thousand Seven Hundred and Two only) to Dr.Antony Palackal, Professor, Dept. of Sociology and Lead Applicant of Shastri Research Grant, being the 75% of the total Grant-in-Aid and to transfer an amount of Rs. 1,38,222/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty eight Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty two only) to Queen's University, Canada, the Co-applicant of the programme.

Sanction for the payment of Rs.2,33,702/- (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty-three Thousand Seven Hundred and Two only) to Dr.Antony Palackal, Professor, Dept. of Sociology and Lead Applicant of Shastri Research Grant and transfer of an amount of Rs.1,38,222/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty eight Thousand Two Hundred and Twenty two only) to Queen's University, Canada, the Co-applicant of the programme have been issued vide paper read as (1) above.

Dr.Antony Palackal, Professor, Dept. of Sociology and Lead Applicant of Shastri Research Grant, vide letter dated 30.05.2023, had requested to release the second & final instalment for an amount of Rs.76,775/- (Rupees Seventy Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Five only) received from Shastri Indo Candian Institute, Canada, being the remaining 25% of the total Grant—in-Aid for the Shastri Research Grant Project proposal 2020-21.

The Finance has endorsed (Finance Endorsement No.FOS 1304/Finance II/2023-24 dated 24.06.2023) to release an amount of Rs.76,775/- (Rupees Seventy Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Five only) to Dr.Antony Palackal, Professor, Dept. of Sociology and Applicant of Shastri Research Grant, being the remaining 25% of the total Grant-in-Aid for the Shastri Research Grant Project proposal 2020-21.

Sanction for the payment of Rs.76,775/- (Rupees Seventy Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Five only) to Dr.Antony Palackal, Professor, Dept. of Sociology and Lead Applicant of Shastri Research Grant has been issued vide paper read as (2) above.

The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in having approved the request for the release of Rs.2,33,702/- (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty-three Thousand Seven Hundred and Two only) vide U.O read as paper (1) above and Rs.76,775/- (Rupees Seventy Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy Five only) vide U.O read as paper (2) above, amounting to a total of Rs.3,10,477/- (Rupees Three Lakh Ten Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy Seven Only) as Grant-in-Aid for the Shastri Research Grant Project Proposal 2020 -21 is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

Item No:06.05 Dept. of Philosophy - Remuneration to Guest Faculty – Payment

Dept. of Philosophy - Remuneration to Guest Faculty — Payment sanctioned — Reporting of — Reg.

(Ad.D1)

The Head, Department of Philosophy hds forwarded the attendance statement & details of work done (offline) by Dr. G. Padmakumar, Guest Lecturer and requested to sanction the payment of ₹1,07,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seven Thousand only) towards the remuneration from November 2022 to March 2023.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, to the payment of an amount of Rs.1,07,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seven Thousand only) towards the remuneration to Dr. G Padmakumar, Guest Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy from November 2022 to March 2023, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. U.O No. 6103/2023/UOK dtd 10.07.2023. was issued accordingly.

The above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.06

Appointment to the Post of Professional Assistant Gr. II (Library) - Reporting of - reg.

(AdAV)

Kerala Public Service Commission vide letter dated 25.09.2023, advised 16 candidates for the post of Professional Assistants Gr. II (Library).

Sanction has been accorded by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to issue Appointment memo to 16 candidates who had been advised to the post of Professional Assistant Gr. II (Library) and to terminate the contract agreement of 16 Library Assistants on contract and to report the same to the Syndicate.

Appointment memo dated 29.09.2023 has been issued to 16 candidates for the post of Professional Assistant Gr. II (Library) subject to further orders in WP(c) nos 7914 and 30953 of 2023 filed before the Hon'ble High Court and 16 Library Assistants on contract has been terminated with effect from 29.09.2023 AN.

Following facts are submitted.

The Hon'ble High Court dismissed the WP(C) No.19991/2023 filed by Jayasree V and 15 others filed for regularization and closed as infructuous the WP(C) NO.40727/2022 filed by Najimi.N.A and 15 others. (Library Assistants on contract, who were terminated from contract with effect from 29.09.2023). The Hon'ble Division Bench dismissed the WA No. 1558/2023 and WA No. 1612/2023 filed against the judgment in WP(C) No.19991/2023 vide judgment dated 18-09-2023. In WP (C) No. 40727 of 2022 the Hon.ble High Court stayed the filling up of 16 vacancies. As WP (C) No. 40727 of 2022 was closed as per judgment dated 18.09.2023, KPSC advised 16 candidates for the post of Professional Assistant Gr. II (Library).

It is also reported that WP(C) No. 31574/2023 was filed by the above terminated contract employees on 25-09-2023 to stay the advice from KPSC as they are going to approach Supreme Court. This case is pending before High Court but there is no stay order in issuing Termination order to the contract employees. Another WP (C) No. 32443/2023 was filed by Smt. Najimi N A and others before the Hon'ble High Court against terminating them from contract. The Hon'ble High Court vide judgment dated 4-10-2023 has dismissed the Writ Petition.

WA No. 1467/2023 filed by some of the terminated contract Library Assistants against judgement in WP(c) No.25540/2020 for age relaxation is pending before Hon'ble High Court.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

Item No.06.07

Kerala University Departments Union- Regularization of Provisional Advance drawn towards grant for the year 2022-'23 & Release of provisional advance towards grant for the year 2023-'24-reporting of – reg.

(Ad BII)

An amount of Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh only) was released to Dr.P.M.Radhamany, Professor, Dept.of Botany, Staff Advisor & Hon.Treasurer, Kerala University Departments Union, as provisional advance towards grant to the Kerala University Departments Union for the year 2022- '23.

Dr.P.M.Radhamany, Professor, Dept.of Botany, Staff Advisor & Hon.Treasurer, Kerala University Departments Union had forwarded the relevant bills and vouchers and expenditure statement towards the utilization of the said amount and requested to regularize the provisional payment drawn for the year 2022-'23 and she had requested to release the grant for the year 2023-'24.

Further, the Budget Speech for the year 2023-2024 had allocated a financial assistance of Rs.6,00,000/- for the functioning of Kerala University Departments Union and the meeting of the Syndicate held on 20.05.2023 had resolved to approve the same.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to the following:

- 1. To regularise the provisional payment of Rs 3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh only) released to Dr.P.M.Radhamany, Professor, Dept.of Botany, Staff Advisor & Hon.Treasurer, Kerala University Departments Union, towards grant for the year 2022-'23,
- 2. To release an amount of Rs 3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh only) as the first installment of the provisional advance of Rs.6,00,000/-(Rupees Six Lakh Only) sanctioned to Dr.P.M.Radhamany, Professor, Dept.of Botany, Staff Advisor & Hon.Treasurer, Kerala University Departments Union towards grant for the year 2023-'24. The second installment of Rs.3,00,000/- will be released after submitting the bills and vouchers of first installment for regularisation.

U.O.No.Ad.B.II./1/40704/08/2023 dated:11.08.2023 was issued in this regard .

The above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.08

Setting up of Multimedia Classrooms & Multimedia Theatre Classrooms AV Equipment - Payment to Neuf Solutions and Re-appropriation of funds-Reporting of -reg.

(Ad.BII)

The Syndicate held on 01.02.2022 had resolved to purchase the component AV Equipment in connection with Setting up of Multimedia Classrooms & Multimedia Theatre Classrooms from the lowest rate quoted firm, M/s Neuf Solutions, Thiruvananthapuram at a total cost of Rs.1,80,00,000/-(Rupees One Crore Eighty Lakh only) excluding the item laptop and accessories.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.02.2023 has approved the recommendation of the technical Committee (AV Equipment) to release 70% of the adhoc payment against the bill submitted by the firm M/s Neuf Solutions, towards the supplied AV Equipment, after obtaining certification from the Instrumentation Engineer.

Further, M/s Neuf Solutions had submitted the invoice amounting to Rs.22,84,804/- for the various items delivered in the Multimedia Theatre classrooms and Multimedia Class rooms. The Instrumentation Engineer certified that the items are received in good condition and has also affixed passed for payment certification. Also, the Store Keeper (General Store) has furnished the stock entry certification.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor subject to reporting to the Syndicate to the following:

- 1. An amount of Rs.15,99,363/-(Rupees Fifteen Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Sixty Three Only) being released as 70% of the total admitted amount, to M/s Neuf Solutions, Thiruvananthapuram towards the supply of various items related to the setting up of AV Equipment in the Multimedia Theatre Classrooms and Multimedia Classrooms in the University Teaching Departments.
- 2. An amount of Rs.5,99,400/-(Rupees Five Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand and Four Hundred Only) being additionally provided under the h/a"Part-I-NP-MH:65-Works-10/5340-Chancellor's Award" by reappropriation from the "h/a Part-I-NP-MH:63-Miscellaneous-8/5948-Miscellaneous of the current years Budget Estimates of the University" U.O.No.Ad.BII/1/9929/07/6/2023 dated 01/07/2023 was issued in this regard. The above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No. 06.09

University Office - HT connection- Additional Cash Deposit to Kerala State Electricity Board -Payment- Reporting of -reg.

M/s Kerala State Electricity Board Ltd. had informed that according to regulations of electricity supply code, all HT /EHT consumers are required to furnish Security Deposit equal to two months probable amount of current charges and therefore demanded to remit an amount of Rs.1,94,985/- as Additional Cash Deposit for the HT connection of Senate House Campus, Palayam (Consumer Code 4/7009), as detailed below:

Security Deposit	Cash (Rs.)	Bank Guarantee (Rs.)	Total (Rs)
Available	6,01,975/-	4,17,810/-	10,19,785/-
Required	6,07,385/-	6,07,385/-	12,14,770/-
Additional Cash Payable	5,410/-	1,89,575/-	1,94,985/-

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor subject to reporting to the Syndicate to pay an amount of Rs.1,94,985/- (Rupees One Lakh Ninety Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Five only) to Kerala State Electricity Board in the form of RTGS/NEFT in favour of 'KSEBHT4C7009', virtual account provided to the University towards Additional Cash Deposit for the HT Connection of Senate House Campus, Palayam (Consumer Code 4/7009).

U.O.No.Ad.BII/15125/08/2023 dated18.08.2023 was issued in this regard.

The above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

#### Item No.06.10

ICM, Poojappura - Release of share amount for conducting IV semester of MBA 2021-23 batch -Reporting of- reg.

The Director, ICM, Poojappura, in accordance with the MoU signed with the University, requested to release the share amount due to them towards conducting the MBA programme in the University Institute of Management at ICM, Poojappura for the Fourth semester of 2021-23 batch of MBA course.

Vice-Chancellor accorded sanction to the Director, ICM, Poojappura, Thiruvananthapuram being paid a total amount of Rs.5,90,000/- (Rupees Five lakh Ninety Thousand only) inclusive of 18% GST, as share amount due to ICM, Poojappura, for conducting Fourth semester MBA course for 2021-2023 batch. University Order No. 7534/2023/UOK dated 07.09.2023 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned Rs.5,90,000/- (Rupees Five lakh Ninety Thousand only) inclusive of 18% GST, to the Director, ICM, Poojappura, Thiruvananthapuram as share amount due to ICM, Poojappura, for conducting Fourth semester MBA course of 2021-2023 batch, is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

Purchase of chemicals, biochemicals and consumables for the use in Item No: 06.11 the Department of Biochemistry -Reporting of-reg.

(Ad. BIV)

The Head, Department of Biochemistry forwarded the quotations along with the comparative statement for the purchase of various chemicals, biochemicals and consumables for the use in the Department. The Purchase Committee at its meeting held on 12/01/2023 recommended to purchase various chemicals, biochemicals and consumables from the lowest quoted firms. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 17/01/2023 resolved to approve the recommendations of the Purchase Committee.

Accordingly, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, letter No. 42959/Ad B IV A/ 2022/UOK dated 03/02/2023 was issued to the HOD, Dept. of Biochemistry, permitting the purchase of the chemicals, biochemicals and consumables.

The HOD, Department of Biochemistry, has forwarded the bills and vouchers for the paymentto various firms as detailed below on supply of the items in the Department.

Sl.No	Name of the firm	Amount
1	M/s Biovision, Kochi	Rs.1,41,144/-
2	M/s Biogene, Thiruvananthapuram	Rs.93,496/-
3	M/s SPM Biotech, New Delhi	Rs.2,07,774/-
	Total	Rs.4,42,414/-

The Vice Chancellor has approved the payment to the firms as detailed above, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

Accordingly, U.O.No.6955/2023/UOK dated 10/08/2023 was issued.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate herewith.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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#### Item No.06.12

Smt. Sobhanakumari.K, Joint Registrar (Retired) - Release of withheld portion of DCRG-reporting of-reg.

(Ad.AIII)

Smt. Sobhana Kumari K, Joint Registrar retired from University service on 31/05/2023. Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor to release the withheld portion of DCRG amounting to Rs.2,03,000/- (Rupees Two lakh and three thousand only) to Smt. Sobhana Kumari K, Joint Registrar (Retired) that has been withheld on account of liabilities as per University Order No. Ad.AIII.1/SP/25537/2023 dated 15/07/2023. On the strength of Non Liability Certificate dated 07/08/2023, University Order No.Ad.AIII.1/Rel.DCRG/ 25537/2023 dated 12/09/2023 towards release of withheld portion of DCRG was issued.

The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in having released the withheld portion of DCRG amounting to Rs.2,03,000/- (Rupees Two lakh and three thousand only) to Smt. Sobhana Kumari K, Joint Registrar (Retired on 31/05/2023), vide University Order dated 12/09/2023 is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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### Item No: 06.13 Approval of Panel of Examiners – Reporting of – reg.

(Ac.EV(A))

The Vice Chancellor in exercise of the powers vested upon him under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974 approved the Panel of Examiners of the following Scholars towards the evaluation of Ph.D Thesis during the period from 17/03/2023 to 11/10/2023 as detailed below:

Sl No.	Name	Subject	Supervising Teacher(s)		
1	Vinod K Joseph	History	Dr. Jaseem S.		
2	Jessy George	Music	Dr. Anuradha V. K.		
3	Shanu N. Nazar	Economics	Dr. Anitha V.		
4	Shency Mathew	IHCOnomics	Dr. Shijo Philip (Guide) Dr. V. Nagarajan Naidu (Co-guide)		
5	Ramaswamy N.	Economics	Dr. Christabell P.J.		
6	Sreeja R.	Economics	Dr. Jayasree S.		
7	Nithin Thomas	Economics	Dr. M.P. Abraham		
8	Madhu M.	Music	Dr. Anuradha V.K.		
9	Prasanth V.Kaimal	Music	Dr. Bindu K.		
10	Stalin P.C.	Economics	Dr. M.P. Abraham		
11	Arya S.	Economics	Dr. Pradeep Kumar B.		
12	Anil Kumar B.M.	Economics	Dr. M.K. Saralamma		

13	Godwin V.P.	Economics	Dr. Rony Thomas Rajan
14	Deepu Das N.	Economics	Dr. Jerry Alwin
15	Sindhu K.K.	History	Dr. Sinitha G.S.
16	Aswathy S.	History	Dr. Sinitha G.S.
17	Swapna Kumar K.	History	Dr. Vincent P.J.
18	Aswathi K.B.	Music	Dr. Bindu K.
19	Binil K.P.	Economics	Dr. Mothi George
20	Lalini M.	History	Dr. U.V. Shakkeela
21			Dr. Archa Arun (Guide)
21	Rini Rachel Abraham	Political Science	Dr. Rajeevan R. (Co-guide)
22	Saroop Roy B.R.	Tourism Management	Dr. K.S. Chandrasekar
23	Shilijas M	Sociology	Dr. Saji P. Jacob
24	Geethu Gopal	Management Studies	Dr.Ajitha S.
25	Shaan R.S.	Management Studies	Dr. Ajitha S.
26	Abdul Kareem T.B.	Islamic History	Dr. A.K. Ampotti
27	Subida M.D.	Islamic History	Dr. A.K. Ampotti
28	Sujith Prabhakar	Physical Education	Dr. Biju Kumar K.
29	Neenu Mathews	Social Work	Dr. Saji P. Jacob
30	Jan Elizabeth Joseph	Sociology	Dr. Antony Palackal
31	Lethi N.T.	Physical Education	Dr. N. Madhavan
32	Roufia A. Malik	Archaeology	Dr. Preeta Nayar
33	Rumla Beegum S.	Islamic History	Dr. A.K. Ampotti
34	Amjith S.	Physical Education	Dr. A. Shershah
35	Praveena Krishnan I.	Management Studies	Dr. Prakash Pillai R.
36	Aswani Thampi P.R.	Management Studies	Dr. Ambeesh Mon S.
37	Gayathry S.S.	Management Studies	Dr. Ajit Prabhu V.
38	Indira Bai N.T.	Management Studies	Dr. K.S. Chandrasekar
39	Uma Thankachi S.	Management Studies	Dr. Ajit Prabhu V.
40	Veena P.K.	Management Studies	Dr. R. Vasanthagopal

The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.14

Department of Political Science-Infrastructural facilities for starting Four Year Under Graduate Programme (FYUP) - Release of Provisional Payment - Reporting of-reg.

(Ac.D)

# Ref: Letter No. POL/629/208/2023 dated 25.08.2023 from the Head, Department of Political Science.

Dr. Girish Kumar R, Professor and Head, Department of Political Science, under reference cited above has submitted a request to provide with a provisional grant of an amount Rs. 5,00,000/-(Rs.Five Lakh Only) for infrastructure development of Department of Political Science for starting the programme, BA Hons.(Politics and International Relations/ Economics/History) with Research.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, to start Four Year UG Programme, **BA Hons.** (Politics and International Relations/ Economics/History) with Research in the Academic Year 2023-24 initially at the Department of Political Science and shall be shifted to Centre for Under Graduate Studies, University of Kerala, Kariavattom Campus from the Academic Year 2024-'25 onwards, vide UO No. Ac.D/04/196/2023 dated 26.08.2023.

The Syndicate, held on 24.08.2023 vide item no. 03.13 considered the recommendation of the meeting of the Committee, held on 17.08.2023, in connection with commencement of Four-year Undergraduate Honours programme with Research and resolved the recommendation so as, to provide necessary infrastructure to the Department of Political Science for starting the programme.

As per the request of the Head, Department of Political Science, the Finance has endorsed for releasing an amount of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rs.Five Lakh Only) as provisional advance to Dr. Girish Kumar R, Professor and Head, Department of Political Science for setting up of new class room for the conduct of Four Year Under Graduate Programme in the Department of Political Science.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the payment of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs Only) as provisional advance to Dr. Girish Kumar R, Professor and Head, Department of Political Science for setting up of new classroom for the conduct of Four Year Undergraduate Programme in the Department of Political Science, subject to reporting to the Syndicate and the order was issued vide UO.No.Ac.D/4/205/2023 dated 06.10.2023.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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# Item No:06.15

# Ph.D research - Requested for extension of research period for submission of thesis -Reporting of-reg.

(Ac.EVI)

The candidates who had already availed the extension for submission of thesis up to 20/09/2023 and were granted UO of conducting pre-submission seminar had requested for a further extension of grace time for submission of thesis as they could not complete the process as the Deans of faculty concerned had completed their term of office and new Deans were not nominated. The details of the candidate are as follows.

Sl.	Name	Subject	Mode	Session	w.e.f	Date of	Extension
No.						issuance of	granted
						UO for	For
						Presubmission	
						seminar	
1	Annie Placid	English	PT	July 2014	23/03/2015	19/07/2023	3 months
2	Anila G V	Statistics	PT	January 2016	09/09/2016	19/07/2023	
3	Ajinza A	Biochemistry	PT	January 2015	15/06/2015	14/07/2023	
4	Asa P S	Chemistry	PT	July 2014	16/12/2014	26/07/2023	
5	Jiju K R	Chemistry	PT	January 2014	17/06/2014	20/07/2023	
6	Manoj Mohan	Physics	FT	July 2016	27/02/2017	21/07/2023	
7	Harikrishnan M	Botany	PT	January 2016	30/08/2016	13/07/2023	
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8	Najeeb S	Zoology	FT	January 2016	19/05/2016	08/08/2023	

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, subject to report to Syndicate, further extension of three months for submission of thesis was granted to the above mentioned research scholars whose maximum research period expired and were issued UO for conducting pre submission seminar as they could not complete the process since the term of office of the Deansof faculty concerned had expired. The extension granted was intimated to them, vide memo no. Ac EVI(4)/50684/2023/UOK dated 07/10/2023.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.16

# University Vehicle KL 01 BP 7946 (Mahindra Bolero) - Repair and Maintenance - Issuance of work order - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad.A IV)

The Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) submitted a proposal for the repair and maintenance of the University vehicle KL 01 BP 7946 (Mahindra Bolero) with estimates from three workshops: M/s Ki Mobility Solutions Private Limited, M/s TVS Mobility Private Limited and M/s A R Agencies, Thirumala. Among these estimates, the rate quoted by M/s Ki Mobility Solutions Private Limited is the lowest compared to the other two workshops. As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the

Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) was entrusted to arrange a negotiation with the firm to finalize the repair and maintenance charges for the aforementioned vehicle. As a result of the negotiation, the firm reduced their rates from ₹1,33,633/- to ₹1,29,911/-. The Finance has agreed to the repair works being carried out at the negotiated rate of Rs.1,29,911/-.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, has ordered to issue a work order to M/s Ki Mobility Solutions Private Limited, for the repair and maintenance of the University vehicle KL 01 BP 7946 (Mahindra Bolero), at the negotiated cost of ₹1,29,911/- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Eleven only). Work Order No. 41416/Admn A IV/2023/UOK dated 17.10.2023 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction to carryout the repair and maintenance of the University vehicle KL 01 BP 7946 (Mahindra Bolero) at the negotiated cost of ₹1,29,911/- is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No: 06.17

Department of Botany - Establishment of Germplasm Conservatory for economically important plant species of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands - Regularization of provisional advance drawn by Dr.S.Suhara Beevy, Former Head - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad.DIII)

An amount of Rs. 6,00,000/- (Rupees Six lakh only) was sanctioned as provisional payment to Dr. S. Suhara Beevy, Professor, Department of Botany, towards the establishment of Germplasm Conservatory for economically important plant species of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands, vide U.O. No.Ad A.VI/027754/2018 dated 14.11.2018. The HoD, vide letter dated 30.05.2023, had forwarded the bills/vouchers in this regard, along-with the expenditure statement for an amount of Rs.5,01,818/- and requested to regularize the provisional payment. The unspent balance of Rs.98,182/- and the interest accrued of Rs 56,534/- (after deducting TDS Rs759/-) have been refunded to KUF and the credits verified. The Audit Section has verified the bills/vouchers and admitted the regularization. The Finance, has endorsed the same and sanction has been accorded by the Vice - Chancellor, to the said provisional advance being regularized. U.O. No. 7962/2023/UOK dtd. 22.09.2023 was issued in this regard.

As per orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the aforesaid matter is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No: 06.18

Setting up of Multimedia Theatre Classrooms and Multimedia Classrooms – Purchase of Server Rack - Payment to M/s StarOne IT Solutions -Reappropriation of Funds-Reporting of-reg.

(Ad.BII)

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 11.05.2022 vide item No: 41.113.01.Additional Item 3, resolved to purchase server rack from the lowest rate quoted firm M/s Star One IT Solutions, Thiruvananthapuram for an amount of Rs.86,000/-. Supply order was placed with M/s.Star One IT Solutions India Pvt. Ltd for the purchase of the '42 U Server Rack' in connection with Setting up of Multimedia Theatre Class rooms & Multimedia Classrooms in the University Teaching Departments for a cost of Rs.86,000/-(Rupees Eighty Six Thousand only).

M/s Star One IT Solutions India Pvt. Ltd had submitted a bill towards the same for effecting payment. The Scientific Officer, Computer Centre had remarked that the 42 U Server Rack in connection with Setting up of Multimedia Theatre Class rooms & Multimedia Classrooms was working satisfactorily and had forwarded the bills with passed for payment certification on the same.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor subject to reporting to the Syndicate to the following;

- 1. To provide an amount of Rs.86,000/- under the h/a "Part-I-NP-MH:65-Works-10/5340-Chancellor's Award" by reappropriation from the h/a "Part-I-NP-MH:63-Miscellaneous-8/5948-Miscellaneous" of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.
- 2. To release an amount of Rs.86,000/- (Rupees Eighty Six Thousand only) to M/s Star One IT Solutions India Pvt. Ltd towards the supply of '42 U Server Rack' in connection with the Setting up of Multimedia Theatre Class rooms and Multimedia Class rooms in the University Teaching Departments.

U.O.No.Ad.BII/1/26113/06/2023 dated 27.06.2023 was issued in this regard.

The above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No: 06.19

Sweeping and Cleaning of Buildings and Premises of Senate House Campus—Payment of charges to the Contractor, M/s Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Workers Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd No: T.2245 for the month of August 2023 - Reporting of – Reg.

(Ad.BI)

The contract for Sweeping and Cleaning the buildings and premises of Senate House Campus was awarded to M/s. Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Workers Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd.No: T.2245 on contract basis for a period of 11 months with effect from 01.10.2022 @ Rs.4,11,230/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty only) per month inclusive of wages of Employees, applicable GST, cost of cleaning materials and all charges levied by Government, vide U.O No.Ad.AVIII.SH/Campus/Sw.&Cl./2021/001 dated 01.12.2022.

The firm has submitted full wage payment certificate for the month of August 2023, vide Invoice No: SWEC/ A2005/2023-24 dated: 25.09.2023. The attendance statement and pre-receipt towards the payment of wages for the month of August 2023 have been verified and found in order.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to M/s. Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Workers Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd.No: T.2245 (PAN:AAKAT3405H) (GSTIN:32AAKAT3405HIZP), being paid an amount of Rs.4,11,230/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty only) including 18% GST towards the charges for sweeping and cleaning the buildings and premises of the Senate House Campus for the month of August 2023, after deducting GST-TDS & IT-TDS @ 2% each, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, from the head of account "Part I NP- MH 1(a) General Direction- 4/1220-Office Expenses and Miscellaneous" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

U.O.No.8862/2023/UOK dated: 26.10.2023 was issued in this regard.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

Item No: 06.20

Budget Speech 2021-22 \_ Research Grant to Research Centres of Affiliated Colleges for publishing Academic Journals – Payment to Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram - Sanctioned – Reporting of –reg.

(Ad.Misc)

The Budget Speech 2021-22 of the University of Kerala allocated an amount of Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh only) as Research Grant to the Research Centres in affiliated colleges, for publishing academic journals.

The Syndicate held on 25.02.2022 vide item no 37.112.D3 considered the Norms/Guidelines submitted by Director, IQAC regarding Research Grant to Research Centres of Affiliated Colleges for publishing Academic journals and resolved to invite applications from the Research Centres of Affiliated colleges for publishing Academic journals and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research. U.O No Ac.E1/A3/16614/2022 dated 18.03.2022 was issued in this regard and applications were invited from Research Centres of affiliated colleges.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research held on 05.05.2022 considered the applications and recommended to constitute a subcommittee chaired by Pro Vice – Chancellor to examine the received applications and submit a report before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research. The Syndicate held on 10.05.2022 and 11.05.2022 vide item no 41.82.D6 resolved to approve the same. Accordingly, the sub committee at its meeting held on 21.10.2022 after examining the 8 received applications recommended to allocate an amount of Rs.2.5 lakh each to the UGC CARE listed journals having ISSN numbers and an amount of Rs.50,000/- to other journals, by fixing the criteria of one journal from one college.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research held on 2.12.2022 considered the minutes of the subcommittee and recommended to approve the minutes. Further recommended to collect the list of journals from those eight colleges who submitted application for Research Grant. Also recommended to obtain clarification on whether those journals submitted are in UGC CARE list or not. The Syndicate held on 8.12.2022, vide item no 49.66.D19 resolved to approve the recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research held on 2.12.2022.

The Principal, Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram has forwarded 3 journals "Chetana", "Innovatus" and "Verbum" and IQAC after verifying the journals has remarked that the said journals are not UGC CARE listed.

The Finance has remarked that finance endorsement is required only for expenditure exceeding Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) on the strength of UO no Ad.AV/6968/2022 dated 25.06.2022.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to Syndicate, to release an amount of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) to the Principal, Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram by way of cheque, towards Research Grant to Research Centres of affiliated colleges for publishing Research Journals as envisaged in the Budget Speech 2021-22, item no 129 by meeting the expenditure from the h/a "Part I – NP – MH: 63 Miscellaneous – 8/6028 – New Development Programmes" of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University. U.O No Ad.Misc.1/BS - RG/2021-22/2023 dated 10.10.2023 was issued in this regard.

The matter is thus reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No: 06.21

Department of Botany- Implementation of the Innovative Project titled "Establishment of Translational Research Facility in Plant Cell Culture Technology- Phase III'- "Purchase of "Chemicals, Glasswares & Plastic wares and repair/ maintenance of various equipments"- Provisional Advance – Regularization - Sanctioned - Orders issued - Reporting of – reg. (Pl. A1)

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice- Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to regularize the provisional advance of Rs.12,00,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs only), sanctioned to Dr.Suhara Beevy.S, Associate Professor & Former Head, Department of Botany, vide U. O. No. Pl.A1/3051/Bot/18 dated 05.01.2019, towards the purchase of Chemicals, Glasswares & Plastic wares and repair / maintenance of various equipments in connection with the implementation of the Innovative Project titled 'Establishment of Translational Research Facility in Plant Cell Culture Technology- Phase III' under the Department from the State Plan Grant for the year 2018-19.

U. O. No. Pl.A1/8671/2023/UOK dated 18.10.2023 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the regularization of the provisional advance of Rs.12,00,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs only), sanctioned to Dr.Suhara Beevy.S, Associate Professor & Former Head, Department of Botany, vide U.O No. Pl.A1/8671/2023/UOK dated 18.10.2023 is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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#### Item No.06.22

# Foreign Students Liaison Office-Purchase of two number each of Sofa sets and Teapoy – Payment - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad.BIV)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, to the payment of an amount of Rs.1,27,958/-(Rupees One Lakh Twenty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Eight only) including GST, to M/s. RUBCO, Kannur towards the purchase of two number each of Sofa sets and Teapoy for use in the Foreign Students Liaison Office in the Student's Amenity Centre, meeting the expenditure from h/a "Part I-NP-MH:1(a) - General Direction-4/2105-Purchase of Furniture" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University. U.O.No.8608/2023/UOK dated 16.10.2023 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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#### Item No.06.23

# Repair of Server in the Finance IT Cell-Payment - Sanctioned - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad.BIV)

The Finance Officer has forwarded the proposal for entrusting the repair work of the Server in the Finance IT Cell with M/s KELTRON, Thiruvananthapuram, for an amount of Rs.68735/- (Rupees Sixty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Five only). Considering the exigency, the Vice-Chancellor has granted permission for repairing works of the Server being entrusted with M/s.KELTRON, Thiruvananthapuram, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. The firm has submitted the Invoice, after executing the work.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to M/s KELTRON, Thiruvananthapuram being paid an amount of Rs.68,735/- (Rupees Sixty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Five only) including GST towards the purchase of the spares for the repair of Server in the Finance IT Cell; by meeting the expenditure from the h/a "Part I - NP - MH:1(a) General Direction-4/3020-Maintenance of Equipment" of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

Accordingly U.O No.9037/2023/UOK dated 31.10.2023 has been issued.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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#### Item No.06.24

# Pay of Contract staff - Re - appropriation of Funds -Reporting of - Reg.

(Ad B II)

The Audit VI Section has requested for additional provision of funds under the subhead "4/1215 - pay of contract staff" of the various heads to meet the expenses towards the disbursement of salary to the contract staff for the remaining months of the current financial year.

The Finance has endorsed the proposal to provide an additional amount of Rs.46,65,000/-(Rupees Forty Six Lakh Sixty Five Thousand only) may be provided under the below mentioned heads of account by re-appropriation from the head of account "Part I Non plan MH 1(a) General Direction-4/1218 - wages of contingent employees/ guest lecturers".

No.	Head of Account to which reappropriation is	Amount	Head of Account from which	
NO.	done	in (Rs)	reappropriation is done	
1	Part 1 –NP - MH 67-10 - UIT Yeroor 4/1215	1,25,000	Part I Non plan MH 1(a)	
	– Pay of Contract Staff	1,23,000	General Direction - 4/1218 -	
2	Part 1 –NP - MH 67-19 UIT Vellarada -	1,00,000	wages of contingent	

	4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff		employees/guest lecturers
3	Part 1 –NP - MH 67-20 UIT Kallara - 4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff	4,60,000	
4	Part 1 –NP - MH 67-22 UIT Ittiva - 4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff	25,000	
5	Part 1 –NP MH 67- 32 UIT Paravur - 4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff	6,75,000	
6	Part 1 –NP - MH 67-8 UIT Pirappancode - 4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff	2,00,000	
7	Part 1 –NP - MH 67- 36 UIT Kattayikkonam - 4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff	1,30,000	
8	Part 1 –NP MH 67 - 33 UIT Aroor - 4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff	50,000	
9	Part 1 –NP - MH 1(a) General Direction - 4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff	9,00,000	
10	Part 1 –NP - MH 53 - Computer Centre 4/1215 - Pay of Contract Staff	20,00,000	
	Total	46,65,000/- Five Thousa	(Rupees Forty Six Lakh Sixty and only)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the aforesaid re-appropriation proposal, subject to report to the Syndicate and U.O.No. Ad B II/1735/2023/UOK dated 17.02.2023 was issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate, herewith.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

# Item No.06.25

SN College, Chempazhanthy - Appointment of the Drawing and Disbursing Officer - Sixth Term - Approval granted - Reporting of - reg.

(Ac.FIII)

The Manager, SN Trusts, Kollam has forwarded the proposal for the approval of the appointment of Dr. Raakhee A S, Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, SN College, Chempazhanthy as the Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the College, for the sixth term, w.e.f 01.10.2023 FN.

The University had already granted approval to the appointment of Dr. Raakhee A S as the Drawing and Disbursing Officer of SN College, Chempazhanthy, for five consecutive terms comprising of three months, and the fifth term of her appointment expired on 30.09.2023.

Meanwhile the College authorities had informed that they have to urgently process the pension arrears of a retired teacher viz, Dr. Abhilasha in connection with WP(C) No. 27135 of 2023 at Hon'ble High Court of Kerala and as the term of appointment of the DDO of the College has expired, they are unable to process bills in SPARK.

The Vice-Chancellor, taking into consideration the urgency of the matter, accorded sanction for the approval of appointment of Dr. Raakhee A S, Associate Professor, Department of Psychology, SN College, Chempazhanthy as the Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the College for the sixth term, w.e.f 01.10.2023 FN, for a period of three months or till a till a regular Principal is appointed in the College, whichever is earlier subject to reporting to the Syndicate. Accordingly University Order No. Ac.F III/8902/2023 dated 29.10.2023 was issued.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

Item No:06.26 Promotion (provisional) to the post of Office Superintendent – Smt.Anaswara R V and 8 others - Reporting of -reg.

(Ad.A1)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the following Promotion (provisional) to the post of Office Superintendent / Transfer and Posting / Relief of additional charge of Officers with immediate effect;

- 1. **Smt.Anaswara R V**(**6328**), Computer Assistant (Sel.Gr), Dept of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, Kariavattom, with additional duty on work arragement basis at Advanced Centre for Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research in Cutaneous Biology (Ac.REM Stem), being promoted to act as 1 Office Superintendent in the scale of pay of Rs.51400-110300/-and is posted as Office Superintendent, Department of Zoology. She is retained with the additional duty on work arragement basis at AcREM Stem until further orders.
- 2. **Sri.Aneesh M V** (**6327**), Computer Assistant (Sel.Gr), EB V Section being promoted to act as Office Superintendent in the scale of pay of Rs.51400-110300/- and is posted as Office Superintendent, CD Unit.
- 3. **Sri.Mathew Sam** (**6318**), Computer Assistant (Sel.Gr), Registrar's Tapal being promoted to act as oSuperintendent, PCVC-T Section
  - a) **Smt.Snym Chandran** (6237), Office Superintendent, PCVC-T Section being transferred and Oposted under Joint Registrar, Academic.
- 4. **Smt.Suji V** (**6317**), Computer Assistant (Sel.Gr), PG Semester being promoted to act as Office Superintendent in the scale of pay of Rs.51400-110300/- and is posted as Office Superintendent, General Despatch I.
- a) **Smt.Manjusha Mohan K** (**6232**), Office Superintendent, General Despatch II being relieved of the additional charge of General Despatch I.
- 5. **Smt.Sheeja A S** (**6323**), Computer Assistant (Sel.Gr), Central Tapal being promoted to act as Office Superintendent in the scale of pay of Rs.51400-110300/- and is posted as Office Superintendent, Department of Music.
- 6. **Sri.Sankar S** (6321), Computer Assistant(Sel.Gr), posted under DR (Admn III) with additionalduty under AR, PG Non Semester being promoted to act as Office Superintendent in the scale of pay of Rs.51400-110300/- and is posted as Office Superintendent, Institute of Management in Kerala (IMK). He is relieved of the additional duty under AR, PG Non Semester.
- 7. **Smt.Daya P S** (**6316**), Computer Assistant (Sel.Gr), Hologram Section being promoted to act as Office Superintendent in the scale of pay of Rs.51400-110300/- and is posted as Office Superintendent, Department of Political Science.
- 8. **Sri.Abhilash A S(6319**), Computer Assistant (Sel.Gr), posted under JR Finance being promoted to act as Office Superintendent in the scale of pay of Rs.51400-110300/- and is posted as Office Superintendent, Department of Linguistics.
  - a) Smt.Bijusha U B (6262), Office Superintendent, Department of Hindi being relieved of the additional charge of Department of Linguistics.
- 9. **Sri.Shinu P L** (**6320**), Computer Assistant(Sel.Gr), CDPU Section being promoted to act as Office Superintendent in the scale of pay of Rs.51400-110300/- and is posted as Office Superintendent, Department of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology.
  - a) Smt.Divya Dinesh (5011), Administrative Officer, Department of Biotechnology being relieved from the additional charge of Department of Nanoscience and Nanotechnology.
- 10. **Smt.Sheena P.S** (6233), Office Superintendent, University General Help Desk being transferred and posted at Form Stock Section.
  - U.O. No. Ad.AI/8205/2023/UOK dated 03.10.2023 has been issued accordingly. As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.27

Department of Physics - Purchase of materials in connection with the setting up of Microwave Materials Lab Building - Payment sanctioned - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad.BIVA)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 20.05.2023 vide item no.57.28.01.13 resolved to purchase the following furniture items, for use in the Department of Physics, in connection with the setting up of Microwave Materials Lab Building, meeting the expenditure from the fund envisaged in the Budget Speech 2022-23 – (Item no.22), as detailed below:

# FROM M/S. KADCO

Firm	Description of item	Unit Price	Qty	Gross value	Gst @18%	Total
M/s. KADCO,	Steel Cabinet with 4	9,391	5			46,955 8,451.90
Kesavadasapuram	fixed shelves	,				55,406.90
Thiruvananthapuram	78"x36x19"(20G)					,
1	[Steel RC.No 02]					
	Steel Cabinet with 3	6,503	5	32,515	5,852.70	38,367.70
	fixed shelves					
	50"x30x17"(20G)					
	[Steel RC.No 05]					
	Steel table with 3	8,146	5	40,730	7,331.40	40,730
	drawer on right side					7,331.48,061.40
	& cupboard on left					
	side with Novapan					
	top 60"x30x30"					
	(20G) CR Sheet 1"					
	square pipe 6 Mtr					
	[Steel RC.No 11]					
Gross Total				1,20,200	2,1636	1,41,836
Transporting charges				2,400	432.00	2,832.00
Total				1,22,600	22,068	1,44,668

# FROM M/s. SIDCO

Firm	Description of item	HSN/	Qty	Rate	Amount
		SAC		( <b>Rs.</b> )	( <b>Rs.</b> )
M/s. SIDCO,	Jefferson Chair Cushioned Seat and	9403	10	1 3,625	36,250
Kadavanthara Back with Armrest (Annex-IV, Sl					
Kochi	No-41)				
	Steel Visitors Chair with Cushion	9403	10	3,132	10 3,13
	Seat and Back With Arm Rest				31,320 31,320
	(Annex-IV, RC 46)				
	Steel Computer Table with Metal	9403	4	5873	45,873 23,492
	CPU Provision				
	Size 120x60x75cm (Annex-V, Sl	9403	4	5,873	23,492
	No 12)				
	Delivery char	ges			1,820
	Gross Tota	92,882			
	GST@18%	19718.76			
	Total (Round	off)			1,09,601

The firms supplied the items and the Head, Department of Physics vide letter dated 14.08.2023 forwarded the certified bills (1. Invoice No. KADCO\HO\052 dated 10.07.2023 from M/s.KADCO, Thiruvananthapuram. 2. Invoice No.TVM/23-24/98 dated 01.08.2023 from M/s. SIDCO, Kochi) for releasing the payment.

The Finance vide endorsement No.Endt.FOS.2242/Finance I/2023-2024 dated 08.09.2023 provided concurrence for the payment.

The Vice Chancellor accorded sanction for the payment of an amount of Rs.2,54,269/-(Rupees Two Lakh Fifty Four Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Nine Only) including GST as detailed below to M/s. KADCO, Kesavadasapuram Thiruvananthapuram and M/s. SIDCO, Kadavanthara, Kochi towards the cost of Furniture supplied by them for the setting up of Microwave Materials Lab Building for the Department of Physics, from the Head of Account "Part 1-NP - MH:63 Miscellaneous - 8/6028 - New Development Programmes" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

Accordingly, the University Order No.Ad.BIV CP (A)/7971/2023/UOK dated 21.09.2023has been issued in this regard.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No: 06.28 Centre for Cultural Studies - Budget Speech-2022-23 - Purchase of Mac Book Pro and LED Smart TV - Payment sanctioned - reporting of - reg.

(Ad.BIV)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 25.05.2022 vide item no.42.46.04 resolved to approve the proposal in principle, forwarded by Dr. Meena. T. Pillai, Director, Centre for Cultural Studies, for the infrastructure development of the Centre for Cultural Studies for an amount of Rs.5,00,000/-(Rupees Five Lakhs only) as per the Budget Speech of 2022-23.

Accordingly, vide this Office letter dated 12.02.2023, the Director, Centre for Cultural Studies was permitted to invite open Quotation for the purchase of One number of Mac Book Pro and One number of LED Smart TV and the Director submitted the Quotations, verification report of the quotations by the Instrumentation Engineer, CLIF and the comparative statement.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.06.2023 vide item no.58.46.02. Additional item no.07 resolved to purchase the following towards the infrastructure development of the Centre for Cultural Studies.

Sl.No.	Item	Firm	Qty	QtTotal
				amAmount (Rs.)
1	Mac Book Pro	Quinze Technologies Pvt. Ltd.,	1	1,26,400/-
		Padivattom, Kochi		
2	LED Smart TV	Ideal Systems, Pazhoor plaza,	1	76,800/-
		Tvpm		
	TOTAL			2,03,200/-

Accordingly, the items were purchased and the Director, Centre for Cultural Studies forwarded the certified invoice for releasing the payment.

The Vice Chancellor sanctioned the Payment of a total amount of ₹ 2,03,200/- (Rupees Two Lakh Three Thousand and Two Hundred Only) to the following firms towards the cost of Mac Book Pro and LED Smart TV supplied by them for the infrastructure development of the Centre for Cultural Studies, from the Head of Account "Part I-NP-MH:63-Miscellaneous-8/6028-New Development Programmes" of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

Sl.No.	Firm	Amount (Rs.)
1	Quinze Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Padivattom, Kochi	1,26,400/-
2	Ideal Systems, Pazhoor plaza, Tvpm	76,800/-
	TOTAL	2,03,200/-

The Finance endorsed the same vide Endorsement No.Endt.FOS.2415/Finance I/2023- 2024 dated 25.09.2023.

Accordingly, University Order No.Ad.BIV A/8688/2023/UOK dated 19.10.2023 has been issued in this regard.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

Item No. 06.29

Admission of Foreign Student to UG Programme at SN College, Chempazhanhty – ICCR Scholar- 2023-24 - Reporting of-reg.

(CGA)

Mr.Sakhile Sibongiseni Khanyile from South Africa with passport No A08288328, who got ICCR scholarship to pursue UG programme in Psychology under University of Kerala for the AY 2023-24 has reported the University for admission. Mahatma Gandhi College, Thiruvananthapuram was allotted to the Student for pursuing UG Programme Psychology based on the directives of the Syndicate held on 14.08.2023 vide Item No.02.109.05.

The Student vide letter dated 10.10.2023 has informed that he has reported at the college on 06.10.2023, but was not admitted to the college. Further, reported that he has submitted all his documents and remitted an amount of Rs.360 as college fees and received the student card from the college but, later,the college authorities told him the application is kept pending and returned all his documents and took back the receipt. Hence, he requested the Registrar to admit him in the college as soon as possible for initiating further proceedings with FRRO Registration.

Meanwhile, the Principal i/c, MG College vide letter dated 10/10/2023 has reported that the Department and College have not adequate facilities to admit a foreign student. Also reported that the student has failed to produce Conduct Certificate and Transfer Certificate, which are mandatory for UG courses under University of Kerala.

In this regard the Registrar vide letter dated 12.10.2023 has directed the Principal, MG College to adhere strictly to the directives issued by the Syndicate of the University concerning the admission of foreign students.

The Principal, MG College vide letter dated 13.10.2023, has again reported that as part of the procedures of the admission the student was interviewed by the admission committee and was noticed that his age is much higher than the age of the student they admit in the first year degree courses and their college has no hostel facilities to accommodate the student. Further reported that the admission committee came to understand that the nature of the student was much different from the native student. Hence they requested to accommodate the student to a near by college where they provided the hostel facilities.

In these context, the Director,CGA, vide email dated 13.10.2023 has recommended to admit Mr.Sakhile Sibongiseni Khanyile from South Africa to BSc Psychology programme at S.N.College, Chembazhanthy subject to the approval of Syndicate. The Vice-Chancellor has approved the above subject to reporting to the Syndicate. Accordingly, S.N.College, Chempazhanthy was allotted to Mr.Sakhile Sibongiseni Khanyile from South Africa for pursuing UG Programme B.Sc.Psychology.

Hence, the above action taken by the Vice-Chancellor is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No: 06.30

Oriental Research Institute & Manuscripts Library- Printing and Publication of books -Provisional advance sanctioned- Reporting of -Reg.

(Ad.Misc)

The Head, Dept of Oriental Research Institute & Manuscripts Library has been permitted to print the Departmental publications listed below from Kerala University press by providing typesetted matter in PDF format, the designed cover and the cost of required materials to the University press vide Letter no.28807/Ad Misc/2023/UOK dated 13.07.2023 and Letter no.28807/Ad Misc/2023/UOK dated 16.08.2023.

- ഭാഷാ സ്തോത്രമാലിക :സമ്പാദനവും പഠനവും:-Dr. R.B Sreekala
- ഹസ് തലിഖിതപാഠഗവേഷണം ഇന്നലെകളിൽ:സമ്പാദനവും പഠനവും.:-Dr. R.B Sreekala
- വ്യവഹാരമാല :പാഠവം പഠനവം-Dr.Naushad.S

- സർവ്വവിനോദ നാടകം Dr. J.P. Prajith
- പ്രതിഷ്ഠാ തന്ത്രം Dr.J.P.Prajith

Dr. R.B.Sreekala, Professor & Head, Oriental Research Institute & Manuscripts Library, Kariavattom Campus vide letter no.ORI&MSSL/2023 dated 01.08.2023 has requested to sanction an amount of Rs. 1,65,000/-(Rupees One lakh sixty five thousand only) as provisional advance for the printing and finishing of the aforementioned books including Typesetting and Cover Designing Charges.

The Finance, vide Endorsement no.Endt.FOS.2309/Finance I/2023-24 dated 18.09.2023 has endorsed the payment of Rs.1,65,000/- (Rupees One lakh sixty five thousand only) as provisional advance for the said purpose, subject to administrative sanction.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, has accorded sanction to release an amount of Rs.1,65,000/-(Rupees One lakh sixty five thousand only) as provisional advance to Dr. R.B.Sreekala, Professor & Head, Oriental Research Institute & Manuscripts Library, Kariavattom Campus for meeting the expenses in connection with printing and typesetting works of the books detailed above. UO No. Ad Misc/9026/2023/UOK dated 30.10.2023 was issued in this regard.

The matter is thus reported to Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.31 CLIF - Purchase of Consumables for CHN Analyser and TGDTA/DSC system - Payment sanctioned - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad BIV A)

Dr. G.M. Nair, Hon. Director, CLIF vide Letter No.CLIF/Purchase/209/2022 dated 05.08.2022 forwarded the Quotation along with the Proprietary certificates received from M/s Perkin Elmer (India) Pvt Ltd, Maharashtra, and informed that the following consumables are urgently needed to be purchased for the smooth running of CHN Analyser and TGDTA/DSC system installed 1 at CLIF.

- 1. CHNS Oxidation /Reduction Tube
- 2. Filter Disks
- 3. STA 6000/TGA4000 Ceramic Pan Kit
- 4. Silver Gauze Strip
- 5. Quartz Tube Insert

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 07.11.2022, item no.48.71.11 considered the proposal and resolved to purchase the consumables for the CHN Analyser and TGDTA/DSC system installed at CLIF, from M/s Perkin Elmer (India) Pvt Ltd., Maharashtra for an amount of Rs.2,69,325/- (Rupees Two Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Five Only) inclusive of GST, as Edetailed below.

	Item Material	Description	Qty	UoM	Unit Price (Rs.)	Discount (Rs.)	Total (without discount) (Rs.)	Total (After discount) (Rs.)
1	N2410693	CHNS Oxidation/ Reduction Tube HSN:84213990 Sales Discount Integrated GST 18%: 27860.40	2	EA	85,733	16,686	1,71,466	1,54,780
2	02400137	Fiiter Disks, Pkg. 12 HSN: 84219900 Sales Discount Integrated GST 18%: 1148.22	1	PC	7,067	688	7,067	6,379
3	N5200040	STA6000/TGA4000 Ceramic Pan Kit, Pkg.3 HSN: 69091990 Sales	2	PC	18,133	3,530	36,266	32,736

		Discount Integrated GST 18% :5892.48						
4	N2410145	Silver Gauze Strip HSN: 38229090 Sales Discount Integrated GST 12%: 1,603.20	1		PC 14,800	1,440	14,800	13,360
5	N2411401	Quartz Tube Insert HSN: 70179090 Sales Discount Integrated GST @18%: 3,899.88	3	PC	8,000	2,334	24,000	21,666
		Gross Goods Value					2,53,599.00	
		Discount		•			24678.00	
		Total Sales Item 2			2,28,921.00			
		Total Integrated GST 404				40404.18		
		Total				2,69,325.18		
		Total (Rounded off)					Rs. 2,69,325/-	

Accordingly, the firm supplied the same and the Director, CLIF vide letter dated R 25.02.2023 has forwarded the certified bills for releasing the payment.

The Vice Chancellor sanctioned the payment of an amount of ₹ 2,69,325/- (Rupees Two Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Five Only) to M/s.Perkin Elmer (India) Pvt. Ltd, Maharashtra towards the cost of consumables for the CHN Analyser and TGDTA/DSC system installed in CLIF, Kariavattom, supplied by them, from the Head of Account "Part I - NP - MH:59(e) - Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF)- 4/3020 - Maintenance of Equipment" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

The Finance endorsed the same vide endorsement no.Endt.FOS.700/Finance I/2023-24 dated 12.05.2023.

Accordingly, the University Order No.Ad. BIV A/5831/2023/UOK dated 06.07.2023 has been issued in this regard.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

# Item No:06.32 CLIF- Purchase of Consumables for ESCALAB XI - Payment sanctioned – Reporting of - reg.

(Ad BIV A)

Dr. G M Nair, Director, CLIF submitted a proposal for the purchase of the consumables of ESCALAB Xi S-ray Photoelectron Spectrometer (XPS) and submitted the quotation for the purchase of the same from the Sole proprietary firm M/s. Thermo Fisher Scientific India Pvt Ltd for an amount of Rs.9,57,328/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Fifty Seven thousand Three hundred and Twenty Eight only) inclusive of 18% GST.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 28.02.2023 vide item no.52.72.11.45 considered the proposal and resolved to purchase the following consumables of ESCALAB Xi X-ray Photoelectron Spectrometer (XPS) installed in the CLIF, Kariavattom, from M/s. Thermo Fisher Scientific India Pvt Ltd, Kolkatta, the manufacturer and sole proprietor of the equipment, for a total amount of Rs.9,57,328/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Fifty Seven thousand Three hundred and Twenty Eight only) inclusive of GST, meeting the expenditure from the head of account 'Part I-NP- MH 59(e)-CLIF-4-3020-Maintenance of Equipment' provided in the current year's Budget estimate of the University, as detailed below:

Item No	Part No	Description	Qty	Unit Price	Total Price
1	PM143451T	Operating Fluid (Turbo Pump oil	2	30948	61896
		Cartridge			
2	BF04	Filter Cartridge	5	3415	17075

3	1261929	Water filter 100 micron	1	17609	17609
4	PTR21261	Cold Cathode Gauge	1	185157	185157
5	PTR27002	Gauge, Combination DN40	1	145244	145244
6	1251000	KIT, TSP Filament, FRU	5	12273	61365
7	CM235051SFXVO	Valve, Leak Argon	1	188999	188999
8	28692	Alumina activ 0.5 LB Trap	2	21850	43700
9	CRYSTAL 03 B	Silicon Sample AG Coated	1	11205	11205
10	831-05-130	Phosphor Sample	1	12806	12806
11	99041	Pump, T1, 5HP, 115-230/50-60	1	66240	66240
	All Total 8,11,295/-				
	18% GST 1,46,033/-				
	Grand Total – 9,57,328/-				

The Director, CLIF forwarded the certified Invoice for an amount of Rs.9,57,328/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Eight Only) for releasing the payment.

The Vice Chancellor sanctioned the payment of an amount of Rs.9,57,328/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Fifty Seven Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Eight Only) to M/s. Thermo Fisher Scientific India Pvt Ltd, Mumbai (H.O. Kolkatta) towards the cost of consumables of ESCALAB Xi X-ray Photoelectron Spectrometer (XPS) installed at CLIF, from the Head of Account, 'Part I - NP MH - 59(e) - CLIF - 4 - 3020 - Maintenance of Equipment' provided in the current year's Budget estimate of the University.

The Finance endorsed the same vide endorsement no.Endt.FOS.2267/Finance I/2023- 24 dated 15.09.2023.

Accordingly, the University Order No.Ad.BIV A/8707/2023/UOK dated 19.10.2023 has been issued in this regard.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No. 06.33

UGC JRF -Request for Relinquishment of UGC JRF in respect of Sri.Sajan P Sam, Research Scholar in Commerce- Approved SRS - Reporting of -reg.

(Ac EIV)

Sri. Sajan P Sam, Research Scholar in Commerce, S.G College, Kottarakkara, has applied for **Relinquishment of UGC JRF w.e.f 31.01.2023 AN.** He had joined for research on 10.02.2022 at S.G College, Kottarakkara and was awarded UGC JRF w.e.f 10.02.2022. He was relieved from the Research Centre on 31.01.2023AN and thereafter joined as Accountant at Kerala Tourism Development Corporation Limited, Thiruvananthapuram w.e.f 01.02.2023 FN.

Sri. Sajan P Sam has received fellowship and HRA upto 31.12.2022(Except 01.01.2023 to 31.01.2023), & Contingent grant upto 31.12.2022(Except 10.02.2022 to 31.03.2022 & 01.01.2023 to 31.01.2023). He relieved from the Research Centre on 31.01.2023 AN. He has also stated that he will refund to UGC, if there is any excess amount transferred to his account.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor considered the above matter and accorded sanction to Sri. Sajan P Sam, Research Scholar in Commerce, S.G College, Kottarakkara, to relinquish the UGC JRF w.e.f 31.01.2023 AN as he was relieved from the Research Centre on 31.01.2023 AN and thereafter joined as Accountant at Kerala Tourism Development Corporation Limited, Thiruvananthapuram w.e.f 01.02.2023 FN, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

Accordingly University Order No. Ac.E.IV/8021/2023/UOK dated 25.09.2023 (File Ref. No.46033/Ac E IV/2023/UOK) has been issued.

The above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.34

Purchase of Pulp Card (White) for printing Consolidated Mark Sheets for use in various Sections of the Examination Wing –Reporting of- reg.

(Ad BIV A)

The Examination Store informed about the unavailability of the Pulp Card for printing Grade Card (Consolidated Mark Sheet) for use in various Sections of the Examination wing. Upon consolidating the requirement of the Pulp Card in various Section of the Examination wing, there was a need for 15,000 numbers of Pulp Cards.

Accordingly, Quotation was issued for the purchase of 15,000 numbers of pulp card (white) 185GSM of size 56 x 71 for printing Grade Cards for various Sections of the Examination wing.

M/s Hare ram Agencies & Suppliers, Thiruvananthapuram, quoted the least amount of Rs.2,10,000/- (Rupees Two lakh ten thousand only) towards the supply of 15,000 numbers of Pulp Card, which was recommended by the Purchase Committee. The purchase of the same was approved by the Vice Chancellor.

Accordingly, Purchase Order No.4252/Ad B IV A.2023/UOK dated 19/07/2023 was issued to M/s Hare Tam Agencies & Suppliers, Thiruvananthapuram, to supply 15,000 numbers of Pulp Card. The firm had supplied the items.

The payment for an amount of Rs 2,10,000/- (Rupees two lakh ten thousand only) was issued to the firm M/s Hare Ram Agecies & Suppliers, Thiruvananthapuram, vide U.O.No. 7858/2023/UOK dated 18/09/2023.

The expenditure in this regard was met from the head of account "Part 1-NP-MH-2-Examinations 4/2915-Stationery and Printing" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate herewith.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.35

Loading of Franking Machine installed in the Examination General Despatch Section with Postage Stamps worth Rupees Fifteen Lakh – Reporting of- reg.

(Ad BIV A)

The Franking Machine installed in the Examination General Despatch (EGD) Section was recharged with Stamps worth Rs.15,00,000/- vide U.O.No.1718/2023/UOK dated 15/02/2023.

Since the Stamp loaded in the Franking Machine installed in the Section was depleting, the Vice Chancellor has accorded sanction to load the Franking Machine with Postage Stamp worth Rs.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen lakh only), subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

Accordingly, the U.O.No.8376/2023/UOK dated 05/10/2023 was issued.

The Expenditure in this regard was met from the head of account "Part 1-NP-MH 2- CExams 4/1300-Postage" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate herewith.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.36 Approval

Approval of Finance Endorsement dated 25/09/2023 of provisional advance for the conduct of Ph.D Entrance Examination -reporting of -reg.

(Ac.B1)

The notification for the conduct of Ph.D Entrance Examination was issued on 20.08.2023 with the exam date fixed on 21.10.2023.

Last year, a provisional advance of Rs.1,50,000/- was paid to Deputy Registrar Acad I for meeting the expenses involved in the conduct of Ph.D Entrance Examination. Total amountincurred as expenses for the conduct of Ph. D Entrance Examination 2022 was Rs.1,24,034/-. The unspent amount of Rs. 25,966/- has been remitted to KUF vide chalan No. 23452482 dated 24/04/2023.

For this year Finance Endorsement has been obtained for an amount of Rs.1,50,000/- (One Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) as provisional advance to Sri. Roy R.R, Deputy Registrar (Acad I) for the conduct of Ph.D Entrance Examination, 2023.

The Vice Chancellor has approved the Finance Endorsement subject to reporting to the Syndicate. U.O No. 8495/2023/UOK dated 11.10.2023 has been issued in this regard, sanctioning a provisional advance of Rs.1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousand only) to Sri.Roy.R.R. (Copy of U.O appended).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.37

Department of Political Science - Salary of the Emeritus Professor - Opening of new subhead and Re-appropriation of funds - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad B II)

The Ad D III section has requested for funds to release the salary to Dr. Shaji Varkey, Emeritus Professor in the Department of Political Science who was appointed as Emeritus Professor vide U.O.No.Ad D III/9309/2022/UOK dated 14.12.2022.

The Finance has endorsed the proposal to open a new subhead "4/4095-Emeritus Professors" under the Major head "Part I-NP-MH: 11 (a) Department of Political Science" and to provide an amount of Rs.4,65,000/- (Rupees Four lakh Sixty Five Thousand only) under the new sub head by reappropriation from the h/a "Part I-NP-MH-63-Miscellaneous-8/5948-Miscellaneous" of the current year's B.E of the University towards releasing the salary of Dr.Shaji Varkey, Emeritus Professor in the Department of Political Science.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the aforesaid re-appropriation proposal, subject to reporting to the Syndicate and U.O.No.Ad B II/6407/2023/UOK Dated: 20.07.2023 was issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate, herewith.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.38

Department of Botany - Remuneration of the Emeritus Professor- Reappropriation of funds - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad.BII)

The Professor and Head, Department of Botany, has requested to release an amount of Rs.3,00,000/- towards the payment of remuneration to Dr. Suhara Beevy S., Emeritus Professor, Department of Botany, for the period from June 2023 to March 2024.

The Finance had endorsed the proposal to provide an additional amount of ₹3,00,000/-(Rupees Three Lakh only) under the head of account "Part 1- Non Plan MH- 17- Department of Botany-4/4095- Emeritus Professor" by re-appropriation from the head of account "Part 1-NP-MH 63-Miscellaneous -8/5948 Miscellaneous" provided under the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the aforesaid re-appropriation proposal, subject to reporting to the Syndicate and U.O.No.Ad B II/8368/2023/UOK dated: 06.10.2023 was issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate, herewith.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.39

Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre -Payment of Provisional advance to Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director for the establishment & connected activities of the Centre – Reporting of – reg.

(Ac.D)

Ref: - 1. U.O.No. Ac D/1/80/2023 dated 28.04.2023

2. U.O.No. Ac D/1/80/2023 dated 02.11.2023

3. U.O.No. Ac D/2/133/2023 dated 14.08.2023

Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre vide Letter No. Nil dated 24/03/2023,had requested to sanction an amount of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh only) allocated in the budget speech of 2022-'23 of the University of Kerala for the establishment and connected activities of the centre.

The Finance Section, vide Endorsement No. Endt.FOS 155/Finance I dated 08/04/2023, endorsed the release of an amount of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh only) in two equal instalments of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) each as provisional advance to Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre for the above purpose. It was also remarked that the second instalment shall be released after submitting the bills & vouchers of first instalment for regularization.

Sanction for the payment of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) as first instalment of provisional advance to Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre for the establishment of the Centre, has been issued vide paper read as (1) above, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre, vide Letter No. Nil dated 30/09/2023, has submitted the bills & vouchers for the regularisation of first instalment of Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Only) & requested to sanction balance amount of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) as second instalment of provisional advance towards the expenditure related to the establishment and connected activities of the centre.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate for the payment of an amount of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) as second instalment of provisional advance to Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre towards the expenditure related to the establishment and connected activities of the centre, Vide U.O read as paper (2) above.

The Budget Speech 2023 - 2024 of the University of Kerala, vide item no. 69, earmarkd an amount of Rs.8,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh only) for the conduct of seminars, workshops and invited lectures in the Mahatma Ayyankali International Study and Research Centre.

Dr. Shaji A, Professor & Head, Department of History, vide Letter No.Nil dated 21/06/2023, had requested to release an amount of Rs.8,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh only) for providing financial assistance for organizing Seminars, Workshops and Invited Lectures under Mahatma Ayyankali International Study and Research Centre.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate for the payment of an amount of Rs.8,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh only) as provisional advance to Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre towards the expenditure for the conduct of Seminars, Workshops & Invited Lectures at the Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre, vide U.O read as paper (3) above, in accordance with the Endorsement of the Finance: Endt.FOS 1413/Finance I/2023-'24 dated 01/07/2023.

The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in having approved the requests for the release of the following provisional payments:

- 1. Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) vide U.O.No.Ac D/1/80/2023 dated 28.04.2023
- 2. Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) vide U.O.No. Ac D/1/80/2023 dated 02.11.2023
- 3. Rs. 8,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh only) vide U.O.No. Ac D/2/133/2023 dated 14.08.2023

amounting to a total of Rs. 18,00,000/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh only) as provisional advance for the expenditure related to the establishment of the Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre and for the conduct of Seminars, Workshops & Invited Lectures at the Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre are reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.40

ഓപ്പറേഷൻ സമൃദ്ധം കാര്യവട്ടം/ ഹരിതാലയം പദ്ധതി - പാഴ് മരങ്ങൾ വെട്ടിമാറ്റുന്നതിനു മോഡൽ അഗ്രോ സർവീസ് സെന്റർ, പാറശാലക്കു 2,25,000/-രൂപ അനുവദിച്ചതു സിന് ഡിക്കേറ്റിലേക്കുള്ള റിപ്പോർട്ട് ചെയ്യുന്നത് സംബന്ധിച്ച്.

(Ad.Misc)

കേരള സർവകലാശാലയും കേരള സംസ്ഥാന കാർഷിക വികസന കർഷക ക്ഷേമ വകപ്പിന്റെ കീഴിൽ പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്ന മോഡൽ അഗ്രോ സർവീസ് സെന്റർ, പാറശാലയെ പ്രതിനിധീകരിച്ചു പ്രസ്തുത കാർഷിക സേവന കേന്ദ്രത്തിന്റെ ഫെസിലിറ്റേറ്ററും തമ്മിലുള്ള 06.10.2020 തീയതിയിലെ കരാർ പ്രകാരം ഓപ്പറേഷൻ സമ്മദ്ധം കാര്യവട്ടം/ ഹരിതാലയം പദ്ധതിക്കു വേണ്ടി പാടത്തേക്കു ചരിഞ്ഞു നിൽക്കുന്ന പാഴ്മരങ്ങൾ വെട്ടിമാറ്റുന്നതിനു ഒരു ഏക്കറിന് അൻപതിനായിരം രൂപ വെച്ച് നല്ലുന്നതാണെന്ന് വ്യവസ്ഥയായിട്ടുള്ളതാണ്. പ്രസ്തുത സ്ഥാപനത്തിന്റെ ഫെസിലിറ്റേറ്റർ ഒരേക്കറിന് 50,000/-രൂപ (അൻപതിനായിരം രൂപ) വെച്ച് 6 ഏക്കറിന് 3 ലക്ഷം രൂപ അനുവദിക്കണമെന്ന് 20.02.2021 തീയതിയിലെ കത്തിലൂടെ അപേക്ഷിച്ചിരുന്നു. കൃഷി സ്ഥലം 4.68ഏക്കർ ആണെന്ന് യൂണിവേഴ്ലിറ്റി എൻജിനിയർ റിപ്പോർട്ട് നൽകകയുണ്ടായി.

പ്രസ്തുത സ്ഥാപനത്തിന്റെ ഫെസിലിറ്റേറ്റർ നാലര ഏക്കറിന്റെ തുകയായ 2,25,000/-രൂപ (രണ്ടു ലക്ഷത്തി ഇരുപത്തയ്യായിരം രൂപ) ഇപ്പോൾ അനുവദിച്ചു നൽകണമെന്നും, ബാക്കി ഒന്നര ഏക്കറിന്റെത് മൽസൃക്കളമുൾപ്പടെ അളന്നു തിട്ടപ്പെടുത്തി അതിന്റെ തുക കൂടി അനുവദിക്കണമെന്നും അപേക്ഷിച്ചുകൊണ്ടു 23.08.2022 തീയതിയിൽ ഒരു കത്ത് നൽകകയുണ്ടായി. ടി അപേക്ഷ 14.10.2022 ൽ കൂടിയ സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റ് പരിഗണിക്കുകയും ഭരണവിഭാഗം ജോയിന്റ് രജിസ്മാർ ടി വിഷയത്തിൽ റിപ്പോർട്ട് സമർപ്പിക്കണമെന്ന് തീരുമാനമാവുകയും ചെയ്തു. അതിൻ പ്രകാരം ഭരണവിഭാഗം ജോയിന്റ് രജിസ്മാറുടെ റിപ്പോർട്ട് അനുസരിച്ചു. കരാർ പ്രകാരം നാലര ഏക്കറിനുള്ള തുക ടി സ്ഥാപനത്തിന് അനുവദിക്കുവാനും, പദ്ധതിയുടെ ശേഷിക്കുന്ന പ്രദേശം കൂടി അളന്നു തിട്ടപ്പെടുത്തി ടി സ്ഥാപനത്തിന് നൽകുവാനുള്ള ബാക്കി തുകയുടെ കാര്യത്തിൽ വ്യക്തത വരുത്തുന്നതിനു യൂണിവേഴ്ലിറ്റി എൻജിനീയറെ ചുമതലപ്പെടുത്തുവാനും 09.06.2023തീയതിയിൽ കൂടിയ സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റ് തീരുമാനമാനിച്ചു.

ഫിനാൻസ് വിഭാഗം പ്രസ്തുത സ്ഥാപനത്തിനു ഓപ്പറേഷൻ സമൃദ്ധം കാര്യവട്ടം/ ഹരിതാലയം പദ്ധതിക്കുവേണ്ടി പാഴ്മരങ്ങൾ വെട്ടിമാറ്റുന്നതിനു നാലര ഏക്കറിന്റെ ഇകയായ 2,25,000/-രൂപ (രണ്ടു ലക്ഷത്തി ഇരുപത്തയ്യായിരം രൂപ) അനുവദിക്കുന്നതിനു ഭരണാനുമതിക്കു വിധേയമായി യോജിപ്പ് രേഖപ്പെടുത്തുകയും, കാർഷിക പ്രവർത്തനങ്ങളായതിനാൽ ജി.എസ്.ടി അടയ്ക്കുന്നതിൽ നിന്നും ഒഴിവാക്കി പരിഗണിക്കാമെന്നും, ഭാവിയിൽ എന്തെങ്കിലും ജി.എസ്.ടി ആവശ്യപ്പെടുകയാണെങ്കിൽ, അനുവദിച്ച ഇകയ്ക്കുള്ള ജി എസ് ടി സ്ഥാപനം നൽകുമെന്ന് പ്രസ്താവിക്കുന്ന ഒരു സമ്മതപത്രത്തിനു വിധേയമായി പേയ്യെന്റ് നടപ്പിലാക്കാമെന്നും അറിയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. അതനുസരിച്ച പ്രസ്തര സ്ഥാപനം സമ്മതപത്രം നൽകിയിട്ടുണ്ട്.

സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റ് എൻഡോഴ്സ് മെന്റിന്റെയും തീരുമാനത്തിന്റെയും, ഫിനാൻസ് പ്രസ്തത അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ ഓപ്പറേഷൻ സമ്മദ്ധം കാരുവട്ടം/ ഹരിതാലയം പദ്ധതിയുടെ ഭാഗമായി പാഴ് മരങ്ങൾ വെട്ടിമാറ്റിയതിനു മോഡൽ അഗ്രോ സർവീസ് സെന്റർ, പാറശാലക്കു ഒരേക്കറിന് അൻപതിനായിരം ര്രപ വെച്ച് നാലര ഏക്കറിന് രണ്ടു ലക്ഷത്തി ഇരുപത്തയ്യായിരം രൂപ സിന്ഡിക്കേറ്റിലേക്കു റിപ്പോർട്ട് ചെയ്യന്നതിനു വിധേയമായി ചാൻസിലർ അനവദിച്ചകൊണ്ട് ബഇമാനപ്പെട്ട വൈസ് ഉത്തരവ് (mം..എ.ഡി.മിസ്./1/ഹരിതാലയം/ജെസിബി/37896/2023 തീയതി 03.11.2023) പുറപ്പെടുവിച്ചു. പ്രസ്തത വിഷയം സിന് ഡിക്കേറ്റിലേക്കു റിപ്പോർട്ട് ചെയ്യുന്നു.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed

above, be noted.

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Item No.06.41

Repair, Retrofitting and Miscellaneous Civil Works in the Additional Men's Hostel at Kariavattom Campus- Re-appropriation of Fund-Sanctioned-Orders Issued-Reporting of-Reg.

(Pl.C)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to an additional amount of Rs.13,62,000/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh and Sixty Two Thousand only) being provided under the head of account "Part 1– NP- MH: 65- Works- 10/5310– Construction and Maintenance of Hostels" by re-appropriation from the sub head "10/5302– Infrastructure support" under the same major head provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University. The additional expenditure on Construction and Maintenance of Hostels shall be met from the provision provided above. The University Engineer may ensure that the expenditure under the sub head "10/5302- Infrastructure support" shall be limited to the remaining budget provision available. U.O No. 9044/2023/UOK dated. 01.11.2023 has been issued in this regard.

Action taken by the Vice-Chancellor as detailed above is reported to the Syndicate.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.42

Payment of TA/ DA and Risk allowance to the Convener and members of the Malpractice Prevention Squad-3, Alappuzha/ Pathanamthitta districts - Reporting of – reg.

(M&CI)

In order to take stringent measures against malpractices during University Examinations, Malpractice Prevention squad for Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam and Alappuzha/Pathanamthitta districts were formed for a period from 05.05.2023 to 18.06.2023 vide UO No. 1/2023/UOK-CE dated 04.05.2023.

Sanction has been accorded by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for effecting payment of Rs.1,00,488/- (Rupees One Lakh Four Hundred and Eighty Eight only) towards TA/DA and Risk Allowance to Dr.Anilkumar K.M., Convener and Dr.Mumthas S. and Sri.Joseph Libin K.L., Members of the Malpractice Prevention Squad-3, Alappuzha/Pathanamthitta districts, on the basis that the bills and vouchers submitted by the Convener have been duly audited by the audit section as detailed below, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

Sl.No.	Name	TA	DA+RA	Total	
1	Dr. Anilkumar K.M.,	38,388/-	21,600/-	59,988/-	
	Assistant Professor,				
	Department of Physics,				
	MSM College, Kayamkulam				
2	Dr. Mumthas S.,	-	21,600/-	21,600/-	
	Assistant Professor,				
	Peet Memorial Training College,				
	Mavelikkara				
3	Sri. Joseph Libin K.L.,	-	18,900/-	18,900/-	
	Assistant Professor,				
	Department of Chemistry				
	St. Michael's College, Cherthala				
	Total	38,388/-	62,100/-	1,00,488/-	
Rupees One Lakh Four Hundred and Eighty Eight Only					

Accordingly, payment has been effected vide U.O.No.M&C.I.3/1/2023/UOK-CE dated 28.10.2023. Hence the matter is reported.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed

above, be noted.

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Item No:06.43

Dr. Rakhi Raghavan Baby, UGC- former Assistant Professor(UGC-FRP), Dept. of Physics- Recoupment of Rs.24,58,371/- to KUF -Sanctioned from UGC Reporting of- reg.

(Pl.B)

The UGC vide Letter No.F.4-5(20-FRP)/(IV-cycle)2017(BSR) dated 17.08.2023, intimated the sanction of an amount of Rs.24,58,371/- (Rupees Twenty four lakh Fifty eight thousand Three hundred Seventy one only), towards the Arrear of Salary for the period from 25.06.2019 to 02.08.2021 in respect of Dr. Rakhi Raghavan Baby, former Assistant Professor under UGC's scheme of FRP, Dept. of Physics, University of Kerala. The Planning C Section acknowledged the receipt of an amount of Rs.24,58,371/- (Rupees Twenty four lakh Fifty eight thousand Three hundred Seventy one Only) in the UGC RBI TSA account (Account No. 10671301169) with sanction order number: F.4-5(20-FRP)/(IV-cycle)2017(BSR)GEN-36 dated 17.08.2023 under the UGC scheme with scheme code:0875 in respect of Dr. Rakhi Raghavan Baby, Assistant Professor under UGC's scheme of FRP, Dept. of Physics, University of Kerala.

It may be noted that, sanction was accorded by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor vide U.O No.Pl.F/5122(2)/2017 dated 18.03.2022 to disburse the eligible salary and allowances to Dr. Rakhi Raghavan Baby, former Assistant Professor under UGC Scheme of FRP, for the period from 25.06.2019 to 02.08.2021, by advancing funds from KUF, as per the approved pay slip and to recoup the same on receipt of actual funds from the UGC. The Audit Wing Kariavattom, vide note dated 25.03.2022 informed that an amount of Rs.21,13,533/- (Rupees Twenty one lakh Thirteen thousand Five hundred and Thirty three only) was paid as salary to Dr. Rakhi Raghavan Baby,Assistant Professor under UGC's scheme of FRP, Dept. of Physics, University of Kerala for the period from 25.06.2019 to 02.08.2021 (vide C.B No: 21/21-22 with KC 1503, dated 30.03.2022). The Arrear Calculation Report (Arrear Calculation Report for the period from 25.06.2019 to 03.08.2021 is Rs.24,68,633/-) was forwarded to the UGC vide letter No.Pl.F/5122(2)/2017 dated 05/12/2022.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, has ordered to transfer the amount Rs.24,58,371/- (Rupees Twenty four lakh Fifty eight thousand Three hundred Seventy one only) received from the UGC towards the arrear of Salary for the period from 25.06.2019 to 02.08.2021 in respect of Dr. Rakhi Raghavan Baby, Assistant Professor under UGC's scheme of FRP, Dept. of Physics to KUF. Accordingly, an amount of Rs.24,58,371/- (Rupees Twenty four lakh Fifty eight thousand Three hundred Seventy one only) received in the UGC RBI TSA account (Account No. 10671301169) was transferred to the KUF account (Account No:57002315676) on 13/10/2023 through PFMS portal by e-payment using digital signature.

The above action taken by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor is hereby reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.44

Self Financing Engineering College - Musaliar College of Engineering, Chirayinkeezhu, TVPM - IA 1374/2020 - compliance of - FD Receipt released after receipt of remarks from Finance Officer-Reporting of- reg

(Ac.BII)

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023 considering the matter of release of the FD Receipt furnished by Musaliar Education Trust, the educational Agency of Musaliar College of Engineering, Chirayinkeezhu, TVPM, vide item No.04.83 resolved in the light of the direction from the Hon'ble High Court in W.A. No.1374/2020, to release the FD receipt if there is no dues or liabilities pending against the college, based on the report of the Finance officer.

It was further resolved to seek an urgent report from the Finance Officer regarding the pending dues/liabilities against the college and to place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

It was also resolved to intimate the decision of the Syndicate to the Hon'ble High Court with immediate effect.

On the basis of the resolution of the Syndicate, the same was communicated to Legal section by email dated 06.10.2023, and further a Note to Legal section intimating of the Syndicate resolution was forwarded to the section on 07.10.2023 and the Note to FO along with the file was forwarded to the FO section for remarks.

The Finance Officer confirmed no dues in special fee in respect of the college for the period from 2011-'12 to 2017-'18. The tabulation section had also earlier confirmed no dues/liabilities in respect of the college.

As already informed to the Syndicate, WA No.1374/2020 case came up for hearing on 11.10.2023 and the Registrar has ordered that the decision to release the FD Receipt based on the report from the Finance Officer be intimated to the Hon'ble High Court. The office of the Standing Counsel has intimated that, on making submission as ordered by the Registrar, the Hon'ble High Court has directed to file an affidavit in this regard and posted the case to 27.10.2023.

Due to exigency, the Registrar ordered to return FD Receipt to the depositor after releasing the lien marked in favour of the Registrar, University of Kerala and to intimate the same to the Bank and Educational Agency.

Accordingly a letter intimating the same was forwarded to the Branch Manager of the bank wherein the FD was drawn with a lien marked in favour of the Registrar was forwarded to the Manager, Bank of India, Pathanamthitta branch bank along with the original of the FD Receipt under intimation to the Educational Agency.

Also an affidavit stating the above actions taken by the University was filed in WA No.1374/2020.

In the light of the resolution of the Syndicate in its meeting held on 04.10.2023, item No.04.83, the action taken by the University in releasing of the receipt of the Fixed Deposit (drawn with a lien marked to the Registrar and furnished to the University as financial guarantee), in the light of the WA 1374/2020 is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.45

G20 University Connect- RIS- Interaction with the Hon'ble Prime Minister- Held on 26th September 2023 at New Delhi- Nomination of Faculty Members and Students- U.O. issued-Reporting of- reg.

(IQAC)

Prof. Sachin Chaturvedi, Director General, Research and Information System for Developing Countries (RIS), New Delhi vide an email dated 21.09.2023 had invited the Vice-Chancellor, Faculty Members and Students of the University to an Interaction with the Hon'ble Prime Minister held at New Delhi on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023. In consultation with Dr. Josukutty C.A, Professor, Department of Political Science, the Registrar has nominated the following Faculty Members & Students to attend the programme on behalf of University of Kerala:

- 1. Abi. T. Suresh, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science
- 2. Amina Reem, Research Scholar, Department of Political Science
- 3. Meenu B. Nair, Research Scholar, Department of Political Science
- 4. Thejaswini M. C., P.G. Student, Department of Sociology

Sanction had been accorded by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor by invoking provisions under section 10 (13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974:

- 1. to permit the above listed Faculty Members & Students to attend the Interaction program with the Hon'ble Prime Minister held at 26th September 2023 at New Delhi
- 2. to permit Air Travel to the Teacher and Students attending the programme on behalf of the University
- 3. to entrust Dr. Josukutty C.A., Professor, Department of Political Science to coordinate the entire programme
- 4. to meet expenses incurred in connection with attending the programme from IQAC funds by recouping with original bills and vouchers.

Accordingly, U.O. No. 8350/2023/UOK dated 06.10.2023 (Appendix) has been issued. The

aforesaid action taken by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is hereby reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.46

Department of Political Science - Publishing of Speeches made by renowned Chief Ministers of Kerala - Provisional Advance of Rs. One lakh sanctioned - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad.DIII)

Dr. K.M. Sajad Ibrahim, Head, Department of Political Science, Kariavattom was paid an amount of Rs.5,60,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Sixty Thousand only) as provisional advance towards the first installment of total grant of Rs.10 lakh for the project "publishing of speeches made by renowned Chief Ministers of Kerala" as envisaged in Budget Speech 2018-19 and as per the proposal submitted by Dr. Joseph Antony, former HoD. Further, a provisional advance of Rs.4,40,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh Forty Thousand only) was released as second installment and the project duration was extended up to 30th June 2021.

On verification of the bills/vouchers submitted by Dr. Sajad Ibrahim, the Audit remarked that the provisional advance sanctioned was not utilized for the purpose envisaged. The clarification submitted by Dr. K.M. Sajad Ibrahim in this regard, was considered by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research. The committee discussed the matter with Dr. K.M. Sajad Ibrahim and recommended to grant extension of six months, by alloting Rupees One Lakh only, to implement the proposal in toto, as submitted by Dr. Joseph Antony, former Head, Dept. of Political Science, and the Syndicate held on 28.02.2023, vide Item No.52.107.D17, approved this recommendation.

As per the request from Dr. K.M. Sajad Ibrahim, to release the grant as provisional advance, an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh only) was sanctioned to be released as provisional advance to Dr. K.M. Sajad Ibrahim to implement the proposal of "Publishing the Speeches made by renowned Chief Ministers of Kerala". U.O.No.Ad.DIII/2/28741/2023/UoK dated 13.10.2023 was issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No. 06.47

Reporting the Minutes of the Meeting of the Organizing Committee in connection with the conduct of Keraleeyam 2023 Programme held on 09.10.2023-Reporting of-reg.

(PRO Section)

The Government of Kerala has officially announced 'Keraleeyam 2023, scheduled from November 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023. This event aims to showcase Kerala's achievements across various sectors. Various government departments have been assigned specific responsibilities to ensure the success of the event.

As per the orders of the Registrar, first meeting of the Organizing Committee in connection with the conduct of Keraleeyam 2023 programme was held on 09.10.2023 at 3.30pm in Senate Chamber, Palayam. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has approved the minutes subject to reporting to the Syndicate. As per orders, the minutes of the meeting is hereby reported to the Syndicate for consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Organizing Committee in connection with the conduct of Keraleeyam 2023 Programme held on 09.10.2023, be noted.

# Meeting of the Organizing Committee in connection with the conduct of Keraleeyam 2023 Programme

Place : Senate Chamber, Palayalam Campus

Date : 09.10.2023 03.30AM

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

- 1. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G., Member Syndicate (Chairman)
- 2. Dr. Shijukhan J. S., Member Syndicate & Vice Chairman
- 3. Prof. Radhamany P. M., Member Syndicate & Vice Chairperson
- 4. Dr. K.G. Gopchandran, Member Syndicate
- 5. Prof. (Dr.) Gabriel Simon Thattil, Co-ordinator, Organizing Committee, Keraleeyam
- 6. Dr. Bindu T.V., Member, Senate & HoD, Dept. of Education
- 7. Dr. Manju S. Nair, Member, Senate & Professor, Dept. of Economics
- 8. Prof. (Dr.) K. S. Anil Kumar, Registrar
- 9. Dr. Sajad Ibrahim K.M., Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences
- 10. Dr. Manoj Changat, Professor & Head, Dept. of Futures Studies
- 11. Dr. Seema Jerome, Professor & Head, Dept. of Malayalam
- 12. Dr. Shaji A., Professor & Head, Dept. of History & NSS Co-ordinator
- 13. Dr. Sheeja S.R., Professor & Head, Dept. of Economics
- 14. Sri. Asharaf A., Assistant Professor & Head, Dept. of Islamic & West Asian Studies
- 15. Dr. Sherly Williams E., Associate Professor & Head, Dept. of Environmental Sciences
- 16. Dr. Binu G. Bheemnath, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Philosophy
- 17. Dr. Ajitha S., Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science
- 18. Shri. R. Mahadevan, Finance Officer
- 19. Dr. Sabu Joseph, Professor, Environmental Sciences & Director, CGA
- 20. Dr. Viji Vijayan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Biochemistry & Joint Director, TRIC
- 21. Dr. T.K. Santhoshkumar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Malayalam, PRO (i/c)
- 22. Dr. P. Sreejith, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Zoology
- 23. Dr. Sunitha, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computational Biology & Bioinformatics
- 24. Dr. Pramod Kiran R.B., President, Kerala University Teachers Association
- 25. Shri. Sajithkhan A.S., General Secretary, Kerala University Employees Union
- 26. Sri. Santhosh G. Nair, President, Kerala University Employees Union
- 27. Shri. Vebhin D., Secretary, Kerala University Recreation Club
- 28. Smt. Kamala K., President, Kerala University Women's Club
- 29. Smt. Remya P. T., Treasurer, Kerala University Women's Club
- 30. Shri. Maneesh R., Kerala University Staff Association
- 31. Smt. Thejaswini M.C., Chairman, Kerala University Departments Union

The meeting has been started with a small introduction by Adv. G. Muraleedharan Pillai, Member Syndicate. Prof. (Dr.) Gabriel Simon Thattil, Director, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) briefed the outcome of the Keraleeyam meeting held on 05.10.2023. The aim of the programme is to showcase achievements of Kerala for the past years and to make Kerala as a knowledge hub. Around 30 institutions will be participating in the programme. One of the venue of the Keraleeyam programme will be focused on Higher Education, being organized at University College named 'Sapiens'. The venue will be organized as a whole display of spaces based on focus topics such as Science & Technology, Live Workshops, Tribal and Indigenous Knowledge, Cultural Programmes , and not as individual institution.

A special event of Foreign Students will be hosted as a part of the event. This event shall consist of an interaction programme of the Foreign Students with the Hon'ble Chief Minister in which selected students out of 160 students will be allowed to interact with the Hon'ble Chief Minister. A decision to incorporate traditional cultural performances by the international students within the event's agenda was made. It would pose an excellent opportunity for the students to showcase their cultural heritage through various forms of artistic expression such as traditional dances, music, and other culturally significant presentations. To enhance the cultural experience, all participating students may be requested to attend the event dressed in their respective traditional attire. A Mega Quiz Mela will also be hosted as a part of this programme including 5 lakh participants.

#### **SUGGESTIONS**

1. Short videos may be made including the students from vulnerable countries to express their experiences after reaching Kerala.

- 2. The University Senate Hall Building and the Library buildings and its surroundings shall be illuminated from November 1-7, 2023.
- 3. Senate Hall may be the venue for 'Nadakavedi' being hosted from November 1-7, 2023. In such case suitable substitute space may be found out.

#### **DECISIONS**

- 1. All the Members of the Syndicate will be ex-officio members of the Organizing Committee.
- 2. Two Sub- committees the Exhibition Committee and a Cultural Committee has been constituted with the following members

#### **EXHIBITION COMMITTEE:**

- 1. Dr. K.G. Gopchandran, Member Syndicate (Chairman)
- 2. Dr. Viji Vijayan, Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry & Director, TRIC KU (Convenor)
- 3. Dr. E. Shaji, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Geology
- 4. Dr. Manoj Changat, Professor & Head, Department of Futures Studies
- 5. Dr. Rajesh S.V., Assistant Professor, Department of Archaeology
- 6. Dr. R.B. Sreekala, Professor & Head, Department of Oriental Research Institute & Manuscripts Library
- 7. Dr. Shaji A., NSS Co-ordinator
- 8. Dr. R.B. Binoj Kumar, Director, Research
- 9. Dr. Sam Solomon, Professor & Head, Department of Optoelectronics
- 10. Dr. Pramod Kiran R.B., Assistant Professor, Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries
- 11. Dr. Ajitha S., Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science
- 12. Dr. Josukutty C.A., Campus Director
- 13. Sri. Naveen P. M., Chairman, Kerala University Research Students' Union
- 14. Smt. Thejaswini M.C., Chairman, Kerala University Departments Union

#### **CULTURAL PROGRAMME COMMITTEE:**

- 1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S, Member, Syndicate (Chairman)
- 2. Shri. Siddik R., Director Department of Student Services (Convenor)
- 3. Dr. C.R. Prasad, Professor and Head of the Department (In Charge), Department of Kerala Studies
- 4. Dr. Seema Jerome, Professor and Head of the Department, Department of Malayalam
- 5. Dr. Sandhya R.S., Professor and Head of the Department, Department of Sociology
- 6. Dr. Unnikrishnan A. M., Senior Professor, School of Distance Education
- 7. Sri. Vijay Vimal, Chairman, Kerala University Union
- 8. Sri. Meenakshi P.R, General Secretary, Kerala University Union
- 9. Shri. Vebhin D., Secretary, Kerala University Recreation Club
- 10. Sri. Giriprasad. S, Recreation Club
- 11. Sri. Shijo I Thomas, Recreation Club
- 12. Sri. Manu Satheesh, Recreation Club
- 13. Smt. Vineetha I, Recreation Club
- 14. Sri. Saju. S, Recreation Club
- 15. Smt. Vidya S, Recreation Club
- 16. Smt. Aruna Gopalakrishnan, Dhamani
- 17. Sri. Santhosh G. Nair, Dhamani
- 18. Sri. Nithin. N.S, Dhamani
- 19. Smt. Sheena P.S, Dhamani
- 20. Smt. Femin. J, Dhamani
- 21. Smt. Elisha Devassy, Dhamani
- 22. Sri. Vaun Krishnan, Dhamani
- 23. Smt. Sona Rani, Dhamani
- 24. Sri. Vivek. R, Dhamani,
- 25. Sri. Kiran. S, Dhamani
- 26. Sri. Aromal Vijayan, Dhamani
- 27. Smt. Akhila V.S, Dhamani

- 28. Sri. Ajith Kumar. V.S, Dhamani
- 29. Smt. Deeparani. I, Dhamani
- 30. Smt. Anupama, Dhanus
- 31. Smt. Joshna K.R, Dhanus
- 32. Smt. Parvathy, Dhanus
- 33. Sri. Maneesh, Dhanus
- 34. Sri. Sooraj, Dhanus
- 35. Smt. Aswathy, Dhanus
- 36. Smt. Sandhyarani V.S, Secretary, Women's Club
- 37. Smt. Kamala K, President, Women's Club
- 38. Smt. Remya, Women's Club
- 39. Smt. Bushra F, Women's Club
- 40. Smt. Santhi, Women's Club
- 41. Smt. Anitha M.S. Women's Club
- 42. Smt. Kumari Mini, Women's Club
- 43. Smt. Shilpa, Women's Club
- 44. Smt. Gopika, Women's Club
- 45. Smt. Reshmi, Women's Club
- 46. Smt. Viji, Women's Club
- 47. Smt. Fazeela, Women's Club
- 48. Smt. Hima, Women's Club

The meeting came to an end by 04.30PM.

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# Item No.06.48 Approval of panel of examiners - Report to Syndicate - reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Vice Chancellor in exercise of the powers vested upon him under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974 approved the Panel of Examiners of the following Scholars towards the evaluation of Ph.DThesis during the period from 14/03/2023 to 10/10/2023 as detailed below:

evaluation of Fig. 11.15 Thesis during the		period from 14/03/2023 to 10/10/2023 as detailed below	
Sl No.	Name	Subject	Supervising Teacher(s)
1	Pramod L S	English	Dr. Lal C A
2	Jusin Raj	Russian	Dr. Krishna kumar R S
3	Rinu Krishna	English	Dr. Vidya Rajagopal
4	Subha Sree V	Philosophy	Dr. R Lekshmi
5	Anu Lekshmi U G	English	Dr. B Hariharan
6	Renjith R	Communication &	Dr. Lalmohan P
		Journalism	Dr. Subash K (Co-Guide)
7	Diana V Prakash	English	Dr. Kavitha N
8	Padma Chandran	English	Dr. R Sushil Kumar
9	Habin H	English	Dr. E Krishnan Namboothiri
10	Amala A K	Commerce	Dr. K Anil Kumar
11	Shyni K S	Commerce	Dr. S. Priya
12	Sunitha Nair A	Commerce	Dr. Resia Beegam S
13	Aswathy U	Commerce	Dr. kumari V K Shyni
14	Gopika C G	Commerce	Dr.Biju A V
15	Prageeth P	Commerce	Dr. Anzer R N
16	Kavya Shabu	Commerce	Dr. R Vasanthagopal
17	Ria Idicula	Commerce	Dr. S Jayadev
18	Rakhi M R	Commerce	Dr. Vinod A S
19	Sofia Ahmed Sait	Commerce	Dr. Shehnaz S R
20	Aseem R	Commerce	Dr. Biju S K
21	Nima Chandran	Commerce	Dr. Gabriel Simon Thattil

22	Naseera Beevi N	Commerce	Dr. Kalarani T G
23	Sumesh S P	Commerce	Dr. Vinod A S
24	Anjaly H	Commerce	Dr. S Jayadev
25	Sandhya K	Commerce	Prof. Dr. B Gopakumar
26	Dayana S	Commerce	Dr. Ruby S
27	Amala A	Commerce	Prof. Dr. B Gopakumar
28	Archa S NAir	Commerce	Dr. Jayaraju V
29	Vishnu Govindan	Commerce	Dr. Suleena V S
30	Hrishi Raj R	Commerce	Dr. V M Purushothaman
31	Manesh S	Commerce	Dr. S Jayadev
32	Ann Mary Alexander	Commerce	Dr. Resia Beegam S
33	Athira G J	Commerce	Dr. Resia Beegam S
34	Anoop P R	Commerce	Prof. Dr. U Abdul Khalam
35	Remya Surendran	Commerce	Dr.Sumi Alex
36	Soumya G S	Commerce	Dr. Daisy Samuel
37	Rahul R Kurup	Commerce	Dr. K Anil Kumar
38	Lekha K	Commerce	Dr. P S Devakumar
39	Ratheesh R J	Commerce	Dr. Balu B
40	Janu M S	Education	Dr. Giby Geevarghese
41	Divya Sasidharan Nair	Education	Dr.Geetha Janet Vitus
42	Aria Mol S	Education	Dr.Geetha Janet Vitus
43	Subina Beegum	Education	Dr. Bindu T V
44	Anju Krishna K S	Education	Dr. Sheeba P
45	Surya Chandra Mohan	Education	Dr. Tharamma George
46	Joby Thomas	Education	Dr. Smitha S
47	Liji T L	Hindi	Dr. Manju Ramachandran
48	Rajeswary S	Hindi	Dr. T Sreedevi
49	Saranya S S	Hindi	Dr. T Sreedevi
50	Annie Feba Varghese	Education	Dr. Divya C Senan
51	Parvathy Sudhakar S	Education	Dr. V K Sobha
52	Sikha V R	Education	Dr. V K Sobha
53	Roy G	Education	Dr. Reena George
54	Rajeswari V S	Education	Dr. Divya C Senan
55	Shiba T C	Education	Dr. V K Sobha
56	Pradeep R V	Education	Dr. Bindu D
57	Selvamari S	Education	Dr. Divya C Senan
58	Elizabeth Baby	Education	Dr. Sreekala L
59	Radhika R	Hindi	Dr. S R Jayasree
60	Rahul V R	Education	Dr. Sam Daniel
61	Maya Bindhu P B	Malayalam	Dr. Jyothish Kumar K
62	Shereena P H	Linguistics	Dr. S. Prema
63	Rekha S	Malayalam	Dr. B.S.Binu
64	Murali S	Malayalam	Dr. S.Nazeeb
65	Sithara V	Malayalam	Dr. Sajith Kumar S
66	Roshni K Lal	Malayalam	Dr. Vandana B
67	Sreekala M S	Malayalam	Dr. Rajesh R
68	Arya S	Malayalam	Dr. M S Suchithra
69	Mahalakshmi P T	Malayalam	Dr. M S Suchithra
70	Beena S	Malayalam	Dr. H Sabu
71	P L Shibu Kumar	Malayalam	Dr. A M Unnikrishnan
72	Siva Kumar R P	Malayalam	Dr. S Nazeeb
73	Jayakumar R	Malayalam	Dr. Kumar J

74	Varghese Paul	Malayalam	Dr. Dominic J Kattoor
75	Renju Devi R	Malayalam	Dr. R Sunil Kumar
76	Ajesh V V	Linguistics	Dr.S Kunjamma
77	Geethakumari C S	Malayalam	Dr. R Sunilkumar
78	Roshni K Lal	Malayalam	Dr. Vandana B

The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.49

Remuneration to Examiners of various CV Camps-UO issued-Reporting of - reg.

(M&CIII)

Placed below are the details of UOs regarding payment of Remuneration to Examiners of various CV Camps. The Vice-Chancellor has approved the payment of remuneration to the Examiners of various CV Camps, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. Hence the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

<u>List of University Orders issued for Payment to Remuneration to</u>

Examiners of various CV Camps

Sl.	U.O. No. & Date	Camp/Venue/Administrative Officer	Amount
No		_	
1.	M&C.III/1/1114/KLM/	Fourth Semester	₹ 3,09,954/-
	2021/ Remn/Exmnrs,	MA/M.Sc./M.Com/MSW/MPA/MMCJ/MA HRM	
	Dtd:22/05/2023	(Regular/ Supplementary/ Improvement) Degree	
		Examination - June - July 2021 - CV Camp held at	
		KUCTE, Kollam/ Smt.Jayalekshmi B., (Section	
		Officer, EG VI Section)	
2.	M&C.III/1/1136/TVM	Second Semester M.Com/ MA HRM & MSW	₹2,23,426/-
	03/2022/Remn/ Exmnrs	(Regular/ Supplementary/ Mercy Chance) Degree	
	Dtd:21/06/2023	Examinations, November 2021 – CV Camp held at	
		S.H.Campus, Thiruvananthapuram/	
		Sri.Girish.R.G. (Section Officer, M&C III Section)	
3.		First Semester M.Sc./ M.Com/ MSW/ MA HRM	₹ 5,15,134/-
		(Regular/ Supplementary/ Improvement) Degree	
	M&C.III/1/1126/TVM	Examinations, August 2021 – CV Camp held at S.H.	
	02/2021/Remn/Exmnrs	Campus, Thiruvananthapuram/	
	Dtd:22/06/2023	Smt. Tintu S. (Section Officer, Institute of English)	
4.	M&C.III/1/1082/Alp/2	Fourth Semester MA / M.Sc. /M.Com / MSW/ MPA/	₹ 1,28,419/-
	020/ Remn/Exmnrs	MMCJ/ MA HRM (Regular / Supplementary/ Mercy	
	Dtd:	Chance) Degree Examinations July- September 2020	
	26/07/2023	- CV Camp held at DOIC Alappuzha/	
		Smt. Jayamma K.K. (Section Officer, DOIC	
		Alappuzha)	
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Sd/-

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# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.50

Payment of Legal Charges to Adv. Thomas Abraham, Standing Counsel, High Court of Kerala – Reporting of – reg.

(Legal Section)

The Vice-Chancellor has sanctioned the payment to Adv. Thomas Abraham, Standing Counsel, High Court of Kerala amounting to Rs.1,39,250/- [Rupees One lakh thirty nine thousand two hundred

and fifty only] + GST @ 18% towards Legal Charges incurred for 25 disposed cases, which were filed before Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, from the Head of Account "Part I – NP-MH I (a) – General Direction- 4/1320-Legal Expenses" provided in the Budget Estimates for the financial year 2023-2024. U.O.No.L.S.9075/2023 dated 16.10.2023 was issued accordingly. The details are given below:

The amount admitted	Rs.1,39,250/- (Rupees One lakh thirty nine thousand		
	two hundred and fifty only)+ 18 % GST		
Tax Deducted at Source @ 10%	Rs. 13,925/- (Rupees Thirteen thousand nine hundred		
	and twenty five only)		
GST beingpaid by the University @ 18%	Rs. 25,065/- (Rupees Twenty five thousand and sixty		
	five only)		
Net amount payable	Rs. 1,25,325/- (Rupees One lakh twenty five		
	thousand three hundred and twenty five only)		

As ordered by the Vice Chancellor the above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No:06.51 Minutes of the meetings of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023 and 30.10.2023 –Approval of – reg.

(SDC)

The minutes of the meetings of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023 and 30.10.2023 are placed before the Syndicate for consideration and approval.

Considering the urgency, the Vice-Chancellor has approved the recommendations on the item no.01 and sub-item no.03(b) [under the item no.03] of the said minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 30.10.2023, exercising the powers vested on him under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, as recommended by the said Committee:

Item no.01: ONV Memorial School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom Campus- Landscape and Development work- Request of the University Engineer- Consideration of -reg.[Pl.C] (Ref.No.64453/PLANNING G/2023/UOK)

Sub-item no.03(b) [Under the Item no.03]: Alleged malpractice reported in the Third

Semester M.Com-Finance (SDE) Degree Examination, December 2021 related to the revaluation memo of the candidate Sruthi.S.S. - As reported by the EG V tabulation section – Placing the report of the enquiry conducted by the Controller of Examinations - reg.

(Ref.No. SDC/S6132/2023)

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the recommendations on the said item no.01 and sub-item no.03(b) [under the item no.03] of the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023 is reported to the Syndicate, and, the recommendations on the remaining items in the said minutes of the meetings of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023 and 30.10.2023 are placed before the Syndicate for consideration and approval.

### 01. Minutes of the Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28/10/2023

Date: 28.10.2023

Time: 11.00 am to 5.45 pm Venue: University Senate Hall

### **Members Present**

Adv.Muralidharan Pillai G (Convenor)
 Dr.Shijukhan J S
 Sri.R.Rajesh
 Sd/-

#### **Members Absent**

1. Prof.(Dr.)P.M.Radhamony

- 2. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
- 3. Dr.S.Jayan

# Agenda of the meeting:

# Matters related to Alleged Malpractice Reported in University Examinations (SDC Section):

- a) To hear the 72 candidates called for the personal hearing before the Committee in connection with the alleged malpractice reported in the various University examinations,
- b) To consider other issues related to malpractice in the University examinations, and,
- c) To discuss and recommend the punitive actions to be imposed, and/or, to recommend the other actions to be taken.

# <u>Details of the items in the agenda and the discussion held on the same and the recommendations of the Committee therein are given below:</u>

Out of the **72** candidates called for personal hearing, 57 candidates were present. One of the candidates, namely Vaishakh.C.R (Reg.No.15019165046) who was called for the hearing on 30.10.2023 submitted a request expressing his inability to attend the hearing on that date and requested to attend the same on this day and was permitted by the committee for the same. Thus the total candidates who attended the hearing became **58**. The committee heard all the candidates present for the hearing and took appropriate decisions on their malpractice cases. The candidates submitted written statements before the committee. The committee recommended to cancel the examination/s written by those candidates who were found to have involved in malpractice. The Committee further recommended (*unless otherwise stated separately*) to take action on the malpractice reported against the candidates who remained absent for the hearing, as and when these candidates appear before the Committee.

Item No.06.51.01.01 The details related to the alleged malpractice reported in the university examinations against 30 candidates (out of the total 58 candidates present for the hearing) including their personal hearings and the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given below:—reg.

Alleged malpractice was reported by the Additional Examiner from the valuation camp for the Third Semester B.Com Degree Examination, January 2023, having found wide spread similarities in the wordings of answers and their sequencing, especially in the answers to the questions in sections A, B & C, in thirty answerscripts with false no.s.536141 to 536170 of the subject 'CO 1343-Company Administration'. The said report has been endorsed by the Chief Examiner as well as the Deputy Chairman of the said valuation camp. These answerscripts belong to thirty candidates who had appeared for the said examination at the centre S.N.College, Chengannur, and, the details of these thirty candidates are as given in the below table:

Sl No.	Name & File Number	Candidate Code
1	Anagha V.S.	
	S6521/2023	Cand.Code.15921128003
2	Anarkha V Pillai	
	S6522/2023	Cand.Code.15921128004
3	Aswin R Chandran	
	S6523/2023	Cand.Code.15921128005
4	Megha Murali	
	S6524/2023	Cand.Code.15921128007
5	Milen S.	
	S6525/2023	Cand.Code.15921128008
6	Nandhana S.	
	S6526/2023	Cand.Code.15921128009
7	Nandini K.S.	
	S6527/2023	Cand.Code.15921128010
8	Nikhil Babu A.	
	S6528/2023	Cand.Code.15921128011
9	Subin Subhash	

	S6529/2023	Cand.Code.15921128012			
10	Vishakh R				
	S6530/2023	Cand.Code.15921128013			
11	Vivek P.				
	S6531/2023	Cand.Code.15921128014			
12	Adithya A.K.				
	S6532/2023	Cand.Code.15921128015			
13	Adithya L.				
	S6533/2023	Cand.Code.15921128016			
14	Akhil R.				
	S6534/2023	Cand.Code.15921128017			
15	Amal Krishna				
	S6535/2023	Cand.Code.15921128018			
16	Ananda Kumar P.				
	S6536/2023	Cand.Code.15921128019			
17	Anoop M.				
	S6537/2023	Cand.Code.15921128020			
18	Aparna R				
	S6538/2023	Cand.Code.15921128021			
19	Aravind Dhyan				
	S6539/2023	Cand.Code.15921128022			
20	Arjun A.J.				
	S6540/2023	Cand.Code.15921128023			
21	Aromal Rajesh				
	S6541/2023	Cand.Code.15921128024			
22	Athulya L.				
	S6542/2023	Cand.Code.15921128026			
23	Avanthika S. Sajeev				
	S6543/2023	Cand.Code.15921128027			
24	Bhadra B.P.				
	S6544/2023	Cand.Code.15921128028			
25	Hridya S. Jyothish				
	S6545/2023	Cand.Code.15921128029			
26	Jesna J.				
	S6546/2023	Cand.Code.15921128030			
27	Jishnu Jayan				
	S6547/2023	Cand.Code.15921128031			
28	John P. Raju				
	S6548/2023	Cand.Code.15921128032			
29	Lekshmi G.				
	S6549/2023	Cand.Code.15921128033			
30	Noora Fathima T.				
	S6550/2023	Cand.Code.15921128034			
mention	mentioned 30 candidates were called for the personal hearing before				

The above mentioned 30 candidates were called for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and all of them were present for the same and were heard by the Committee. Except the 3 candidates namely Anagha V.S., Avanthika S. Sajeev and Noora Fathima T., all the other 27 candidates accepted having resorted to malpractice by copying the answers from each other in the said examination. The three candidates namely Anagha V.S., Avanthika S. Sajeev and Noora Fathima T. denied the charges of malpractice. All the candidates submitted written statements before the Committee. The Committee also noted the facts stated about the said mass copying as noted in the said report of the additional examiner that is endorsed by the Chief Examiner as well as the Deputy Chairman of the said valuation camp. After considering all these facts, the Committee felt convinced about the guilt of malpractice of these candidates.

#### Recommendations of the Committee:

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts including the report of the valuation camp additional examiner (that has been duly endorsed by the Chief Examiner as well as the Chairman of the said valuation camp) alleging the malpractice, the statements of the thirty candidates of S.N.College, Chengannur (wherein 27 candidates have accepted the charges while 3 candidates denied it), and, having felt convinced about the mass copying having occurred in this case, made the following recommendations:

- 1) To cancel the examination of the particular paper of the subject 'CO 1343-Company Administration', in which these candidates have resorted to malpractice,
- 2) All other papers (of any semester of the course of study undertaken by these candidate corresponding to the details specified above) written prior or after the date on which the examination of the particular paper (in which the alleged malpractice was reported) was held, be not affected and that the valuation/results of such other papers if withheld (owing to the said charges of malpractice) be undertaken/published, and,
- 3) These candidates be permitted to write any semester examination in the next available chance,
- 4) These candidates be also allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late, and,
- 5) As there has occurred a serious lapse on duty (considering that so many students have resorted to mass copying in the university examinations and there has been no attempt to prevent occurrence of such an incident) on the part of the invigilator/s (in the examination hall/s in which these candidates wrote the said examination) and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations of S.N.College, Chengannur, hence the Committee further recommended to summon the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at that institution, to appear for a personal hearing in the next meeting of the Committee.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.51.01.02 The details related to the alleged malpractice reported in the university examinations against another 16 candidates (out of the total 58 candidates present for the hearing, and, other than the 30 candidates stated in the previous item) including their personal hearings and the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given below:—reg.

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Sl	Name & File	Exam & Register Number	Centre of Exam	Gist of case			
No	Number						
1	Alphonsa.T. D.	II MA Malayalam, January 2023	M.G.College,	Writings on back			
		(Betterment/ Supplementary)	Thiruvananthapuram	side of Hall			
	A8977/2023	Reg. No.232601		Ticket			
2	Lakshmi	II MA Malayalam, January 2023	M.G.College,	Writings on back			
	Thankappan	(Betterment/ Supplementary)	Thiruvananthapuram	side of Hall			
	A8978/2023	Reg. No.232602		Ticket			
3	Muhammed	I BA Arabic, April 2023	Iqbal College, Peringamala	Possession of			
	Thaufeeq.S.		(Main Centre: Govt.	written piece of			
	A8984/2023	Reg. No.3042221042	College, Nedumangad)	paper			
4	Santaphan	II BA Philosophy, April 2023	TKMM College,	Possession of 5			
	Murmu		Nangiarkulangara (Original	bits of Written			
	A8989/2023	Reg. No.3042144179	Centre: MSM College,	paper			
			Kayamkulam)				
5	Godwin B	II BA Philosophy, April 2023	TKMM College,	Used smartwatch			
	A8990/2023	Reg. No.3042144176	Nangiarkulangara (Original	in examination			
			Centre: MSM College,	hall			
			Kayamkulam)				
6	Sethu Sanal	II BA History, April 2023	TKMM College,	Possession of			
	A8999/2023	Reg. No.3042180021	Nangiarkulangara	Handwritten Bit			

7	Nadiya.N A9002/2023	II BA History, April 2023	B.J.M.Govt. College,	Answers written
	A9002/2023	Reg. No.3042129041	Chavara (Main Centre: S.N.College, Kollam)	on backside of hall ticket with
			Sir (redinege, 11emain)	pencil
8	Akshay.M.	II BA Sociology, April 2023	St.Michaels College,	Possession of
	A9003/2023	Reg. No.3042149004	Cherthala	Photocopy and Manuscript
9	Abhimanyu	II BA History, April 2023	S.N.College, Cherthala	Possession of
	Santhosh	3, 1	(Sub-centre for	Handwritten Bit
	A9006/2023	Reg. No.3042146002	S.D.College, Alappuzha)	
10	Krishna.U.	II BA History, April 2023	St.Joseph's College for	Possession of
	A9007/2023	Reg. No.3042146049	Women, Alappuzha (Sub-	Handwritten Bits
			centre for S.D.College,	of Paper
11	CI II A C	H DA E 1:1 I	Alappuzha)	ъ : с
11	Shihana.A.S.	II BA English Language &	KTCT College of Arts & Science, Kallambalam	Possession of Photostat Papers
	A9008/2023	Literature, April 2023 Reg. No.3042124034	(Sub- centre for S.N.	Photostat Papers
	A9000/2023	Reg. 110.3042124034	College, Varkala)	
12	Adithya M S	S6 B.Sc Zoology, April 2023	VTMNSS College,	Possession of
	S6358/2023	Reg.No. 25020145020	Dhanuvachapuram	Handwritten
	(IInd Call)			Manuscript
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13	Fathima Swalih	III BA Arabic, April 2023	TKMM College,	Possession of
13	A8933/2023	Reg.No. 3042044319	Nangiarkulangara	photostat of
13			Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM	photostat of handwritten
13	A8933/2023	Reg.No. 3042044319	Nangiarkulangara	photostat of
-	A8933/2023 (IInd Call)		Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM College, Kayamkulam)	photostat of handwritten script
-	A8933/2023 (IInd Call)	Reg.No. 3042044319  III B.Com, April 2023	Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM College, Kayamkulam) B.J.M.Govt. College, Chavara (Sub Centre: Christian College,	photostat of handwritten script  Possession of
14	A8933/2023 ( <i>Hnd Call</i> )  Anandh.S  A8939/2023 ( <i>Hnd Call</i> )	Reg.No. 3042044319  III B.Com, April 2023  Reg.No. 3031933002	Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM College, Kayamkulam) B.J.M.Govt. College, Chavara (Sub Centre: Christian College, Chenganoor)	photostat of handwritten script  Possession of manuscript
-	A8933/2023 (IInd Call)  Anandh.S  A8939/2023 (IInd Call)  Manu.M	Reg.No. 3042044319  III B.Com, April 2023  Reg.No. 3031933002  III B.Com, April 2023	Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM College, Kayamkulam)  B.J.M.Govt. College, Chavara (Sub Centre: Christian College, Chenganoor)  Christian College,	photostat of handwritten script  Possession of manuscript  Possession of
14	A8933/2023 (IInd Call)  Anandh.S  A8939/2023 (IInd Call)  Manu.M  A8942/2023	Reg.No. 3042044319  III B.Com, April 2023  Reg.No. 3031933002	Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM College, Kayamkulam)  B.J.M.Govt. College, Chavara (Sub Centre: Christian College, Chenganoor)  Christian College, Chengannur (Sub Centre of	photostat of handwritten script  Possession of manuscript
14	A8933/2023 (IInd Call)  Anandh.S  A8939/2023 (IInd Call)  Manu.M	Reg.No. 3042044319  III B.Com, April 2023  Reg.No. 3031933002  III B.Com, April 2023	Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM College, Kayamkulam)  B.J.M.Govt. College, Chavara (Sub Centre: Christian College, Chenganoor)  Christian College, Chengannur (Sub Centre of MSM College,	photostat of handwritten script  Possession of manuscript  Possession of
14	A8933/2023 (IInd Call)  Anandh.S  A8939/2023 (IInd Call)  Manu.M  A8942/2023 (IInd Call)	Reg.No. 3042044319  III B.Com, April 2023  Reg.No. 3031933002  III B.Com, April 2023  Reg.No. 3031944108	Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM College, Kayamkulam)  B.J.M.Govt. College, Chavara (Sub Centre: Christian College, Chenganoor)  Christian College, Chengannur (Sub Centre of MSM College, Kayamkulam)	photostat of handwritten script  Possession of manuscript  Possession of manuscript
14	A8933/2023 (IInd Call)  Anandh.S  A8939/2023 (IInd Call)  Manu.M  A8942/2023	Reg.No. 3042044319  III B.Com, April 2023  Reg.No. 3031933002  III B.Com, April 2023	Nangiarkulangara (Original Centre: MSM College, Kayamkulam)  B.J.M.Govt. College, Chavara (Sub Centre: Christian College, Chenganoor)  Christian College, Chengannur (Sub Centre of MSM College,	photostat of handwritten script  Possession of manuscript  Possession of

The above mentioned candidates were present for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and were heard by the Committee, and, the corresponding documents pertaining to the malpractice reported against each of them were viewed by the Committee. All the candidates submitted written statements before the Committee. After considering all these facts, the Committee felt convinced about the guilt of malpractice of these candidates.

#### Recommendations of the Committee:

- 1) All papers of the semester/annual scheme degree examination (specified against each candidate in the table given above and in the paper/s of which these candidates respectively resorted to malpractice) attended by these candidates, be cancelled,
- 2) The paper/s of the other semester/annual scheme degree examination/s (i.e. the semester/annual scheme examinations other than those specified in the recommendation in sl.no.1 above) if any, attended by these candidates since the date of committing malpractice be cancelled,
- 3) The paper/s of the other semester/annual scheme degree examination/s (i.e. the semester/annual scheme examination/s other than those specified in the recommendation in sl.no.1 above) attended by these candidates prior to the date of committing malpractice be not affected,
- 4) These candidates be permitted to write any semester/annual scheme degree examination/s in the next available chance, and,
- 5) These candidates be allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late.

Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.51.01.03

The details related to the alleged malpractice reported in the university examinations against another 11 candidates (out of the total 58 candidates present for the hearing, and, other than the 30 and 16 candidates respectively stated in the previous two items) including their personal hearings and the recommendations of the Committee therein

are as given below:- reg.

SI No.	Name & File Number	Exam & Register Number	Centre of Exam	Gist of case
1	Ajmi.B.	III BA Arabic, April 2023	St.Johns College, Anchal	Possession of
	A8946/2023	Reg.No. 3041938158		Handwritten Copy
2	Manu.D	I BA History, April 2023	M.G.College,	Possession of
	A8980/2023	Reg. No.3042108012	Thiruvananthapuram	reduced photostat
3	Vaishnavi.S. R.	II BA History, April 2023	Iqbal College, Peringamala	Answers written
	A8993/2023	Reg. No.3042021056	(Main Centre: Govt.College, Nedumangad)	on hall ticket
4	Kishore.M.	I B.Com, April 2023	NSS College, Cherthala	Possession of
	A8996/2023	Reg. No.3031948106	(Main centre : S.N.College, Cherthala)	Reduced Xerox Copy
5	Devika.S.	II BA English Language & Literature, April 2023	B.J.M.Govt College, Chavara	Answers written on back side of
	A8997/2023	Reg. No.3042181011		hall ticket using pencil
6	Biju Cherian	II BA Hindi-Sahityacharya Cleared, April 2023	Christian College, Chengannur	Possession of Handwritten Bit
	A8998/2023	Reg. No.3042180052		
7	Samson Stephen	II BA English, July 2023	S.N.College, Kollam	Answers written
	A9000/2023	Reg. No.16501		on backside of hall ticket with pen and pencil
8	Muhammed	II BA English Language &	S.N.College, Cherthala	Possession of
	Thanzil	Literature, April 2023	(Sub-centre for	Switched On
	A9005/2023	Reg. No.3042146075	S.D.College, Alappuzha)	Mobile Phone
9	Aiswarya.S	S1 BA History, March 2023	KSMDB College,	Possession of
	\$6378/2023 ( <b>IInd Call</b> )	Reg.No. 14022104017	Sasthamcottah	Manuscript
10	Ajmal.S	I BA Arabic, April 2021	N.S.S.College, Nilamel	Possession of
	A8798/2021 (IInd Call)	Reg.No.3041838148	(Subcentre : S.N.College, Punalur)	Manuscript
11	Thankam	III BA History, April 2022	UIT, Mulamkadakam	Possession of
	Maria.A		,	Xerox Copy
	A8886/2022 (IIIrd Call)	Reg.No.3041929076		

The above mentioned candidates were present for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and were heard by the Committee, and, the corresponding documents pertaining to the malpractice reported against each of them were viewed by the Committee. All the candidates submitted written statements before the Committee. After considering all these facts, the Committee felt convinced about the guilt of malpractice of these candidates.

#### Recommendations of the Committee:

- 1) The particular paper in which these candidates respectively resorted to malpractice be cancelled (Considering the minor nature of the offense),
- 2) The other paper/s of any semester/annual scheme degree examination/s, if any, attended by these candidates since the date of committing malpractice be cancelled,

- 3) The other paper/s of any semester/annual scheme degree examination/s attended by these candidates prior to the date of committing malpractice be not affected, and,
- 4) These candidates be permitted to write any semester/annual scheme degree examination/s in the next available chance, and,
- 5) These candidates be allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.51.01.04

The details related to the alleged malpractice reported in the university examination against the balance 1 candidate (out of the total 58 candidates present for the hearing, and, other than the 30, 16 and 11 candidates respectively stated in the previous three items) and the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given below:— reg.

Name &		Centre	Gist of case	
File	Number	of Exam		
Number				
Sujanandan	III BA History	MMNSS	Written Register number at different places in the answer	
Pillai.S.	Additional	Kottiyam	script apart from the place designated for the same in the	
	Degree, May		two answerscripts with serial no.s.106259 (false	
	2023		no.755335) and 106351 (false no.760017) of the subjects	
A9009/2023	Reg. No.2422		'Historiography with special reference to Indian	
			Historiography' & 'International relations from 1900 to the	
			present' (As reported by PCVC Section)	

The candidate Sujanandan Pillai.S. was called for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and he was present for the same and was heard by the Committee. The candidate stated that he had written his register number in the two answer scripts at places apart from the places designated for the same, out of his ignorance of the university examination rules, and, requested to be pardoned. The candidate submitted written statement before the Committee. The Committee observed that the secrecy of the answerscripts for valuation has been lost due to the act of the candidate.

# Recommendations of the Committee:

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and statement and made the following recommendation on the said malpractice reported against the candidate Sujanandan Pillai.S.(Reg. No.2422):

- 1) To cancel the two particular papers of the subjects 'Historiography with special reference to Indian Historiography' and 'International relations from 1900 to the present', in which the candidate was reported for malpractice,
- 2) All other papers (of any annual scheme of the course of study undertaken by this candidate corresponding to the details specified above) written other than the examinations of the particular two papers (in which malpractice was reported), be not affected and that the valuation/ results of such other papers if withheld (owing to the said charges of malpractice) be undertaken/published, and,
- 3) The candidate be permitted to write any annual scheme examination in the next available chance, and,
- 4) The candidate be also allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late.

The details related to the other two matters of alleged malpractice in the university examinations considered by the Committee (apart from the matters of the 58 candidates present for the hearing and shown in the previous four items) and the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given in the below two items:—

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.51.01.05

Irregularities in conduct of exam related to the alleged malpractice reported by the Malpractice Prevention Squad against three candidates in the first semester B.Com and B.Sc Degree Examinations, March 2023 from the centre of examination KVM College of Arts & Science, Cherthala – Personal Hearing of the Invigilator/s and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations of that institution - reg.

(Ref.No.:SDC/S6190, S6191 & S6196/2023)

Alleged Malpractice was reported by the Malpractice Prevention Squad against three candidates in the first semester B.Com and B.Sc Botany and Biotechnology Degree Examinations, March 2023 from the centre of examination KVM College of Arts & Science, Cherthala.

The Syndicate meeting held on 09.06.2023 (vide item no.58.38.02.1) resolved to call the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at that institution for a personal hearing in the next meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Students' Discipline.

The Vice-Chancellor ordered to conduct the said hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Accordingly the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at KVM College of Arts & Science, Cherthala, were summoned to appear for a personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on 05.09.2023, however they did not appear before the Committee. The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and expressed its displeasure on the absence of the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations of KVM College of Arts & Science, Cherthala from the personal hearing. However the Committee recommended to give another chance to the said teaching staff to appear for the personal hearing without fail in the next meeting of the Committee. The Syndicate meeting held on 04.10.2023 [vide item no.04.64.02.IV(E)] resolved to approve the said recommendations of the Committee.

In the meantime the Principal of KVM College of Arts & Science, Cherthala vide his email sent to the Controller of Examinations on 13.09.2023 stated that the letter for the said hearing reached late owing to the onam holidays, hence the said teaching staff could not attend the hearing, and, thereby requested to give a new date for the hearing.

The Vice-Chancellor ordered to conduct the said hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Accordingly the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at KVM College of Arts & Science, Cherthala, were summoned to appear for a personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate. The two invigilators namely Sinumon T.U. (Asst. Professor in Commerce), Nisha M. (Asst.Professor in Commerce) and the Chief Superintendent Anju Antony (Dept. of Commerce) who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at KVM College of Arts & Science, Cherthala were present for the hearing. The said teaching staff affirmed that the said University Examinations were conducted strictly as per the University Guidelines, and the first semester B.Com/B.Sc degree examinations were conducted strictly as per the university rules and that a total of 49 students attended the above said examinations conducted in two halls. The said teachers further stated that the copy material seized from the said three students have not been circulated in the examination halls, as found in their investigation. The teachers further stated that they would implement very strict measures to prevent this from happening again and requested to accept their explanation. The said teaching staff submitted a joint statement before the Committee. The Committee after hearing the said invigilators suggested various possible measures that the teaching staff in the institution should adopt for ensuring a fair conduct of University Examinations and prevent the chances of malpractice during University Examinations.

### **Recommendations of the Committee:**

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and expressed the grave concern of the University on this incident to the teaching staff of KVM College of Arts & Science, Cherthala who attended the hearing, and, directed these teaching staff to inform the other teaching staff of the college to be utmost vigilant during the conduct of University Examinations. The Committee

also warned them that any repetition of similar natured incidents shall attract punitive actions therein over the college. The Committee further recommended to close this issue.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.51.01.06

Malpractice reported by the Malpractice Prevention Squad against a total of thirteen candidates in the first semester B.A Degree Examinations, March 2023 from the centre of examination NSS College, Pandalam – Personal Hearing of the Invigilator/s and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations of that institution - reg.

(Ref.No.:SDC/S6253-S6265/2023)

Alleged Malpractice was reported by the Malpractice Prevention Squad against a total of thirteen candidates in the first semester B.A (*Courses of Economics, Hindi Language & Literature and History*) Degree Examinations, March 2023 from the centre of examination NSS College, Pandalam.

The Syndicate meeting held on 09.06.2023 (vide item no.58.38.01.1, copy of minutes appended) resolved to call the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at that institution for a personal hearing in its next meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Students' Discipline.

The Vice-Chancellor ordered to conduct the said hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Accordingly the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at NSS College, Pandalam, were summoned to appear for a personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on 05.09.2023, however they did not appear before the Committee. The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and expressed its displeasure on the absence of the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations of NSS College, Pandalam from the personal hearing. However the Committee recommended to give another chance to the said teaching staff to appear for the personal hearing without fail in the next meeting of the Committee. The Syndicate meeting held on 04.10.2023 [vide item no.04.64.02.IV(D)] resolved to approve the said recommendations of the Committee.

In the meantime the Principal of NSS College, Pandalam vide his email sent to the Controller of Examinations on 05.09.2023 stated that the letter for the said hearing reached on 05.09.2023, hence the said teaching staff could not attend the hearing, and, thereby requested to allot a new date for the hearing.

Accordingly the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at NSS College, Pandalam, were summoned to appear for a personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate. The five invigilators namely Dr.Muthumon T.F. (Dept. of Commerce), Revathy S. (Dept. of English), Parvathy Vijayan (Dept. of English), Salini J.S. (Dept. of Commerce), Dr.Sandhya B.Nair .(Dept. of Sanskrit), who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s and the present Additional Chief Superintendent Dr.Mahesh S.K. (Dept. of Physics) at NSS College, Pandalam were present for the hearing. The said teaching staff affirmed that they would be more vigilant and cautious in the execution of University Examination duties and therebysubmitted a joint statement before the Committee. The Committee after hearing the said invigilators suggested various possible measures that the teaching staff in the institution should adopt for ensuring a fair conduct of University Examinations and prevent the chances of malpractice during University Examinations. The said teaching staff informed that one of the invigilators as well as the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at that institution, were unable to be present for the hearing owing to some official duties, and, requested on their behalf that those teaching staff be allowed to attend the hearing before the Committee on 30.10.2023.

# Recommendations of the Committee:

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and expressed the grave concern of

the University on this incident to the teaching staff of NSS College, Pandalam who attended the hearing, and, further recommended to take a final decision on this issue after hearing the balance teaching staff of that institution who will attend the hearing on 30.10.2023.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2023, be approved.

# 02. Minutes of the Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30/10/2023

Date : 30.10.2023 Time : 11.00 am to 6.00 pm Venue : University Senate Hall

#### **Members Present**

Adv.Muralidharan Pillai G (Convenor)
 Prof.(Dr.)P.M.Radhamony
 Dr.Shijukhan J S
 Dr.S.Jayan
 Sri.R.Rajesh
 Sd/-

#### **Members Absent**

1. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran

# Agenda of the meeting:

- 1. ONV Memorial School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom Campus- Landscape and Development work- Request of the University Engineer- Consideration of- reg.[Pl.C] (Ref.No.64453/ PLANNING G/2023/UOK)- (*Planning G Section*), and,
- 2. Matters related to Alleged Malpractice Reported in University Examinations as given under: (SDC Section)
  - a) To hear the 85 candidates called for the personal hearing before the Committee in connection with the alleged malpractice reported in the various University examinations,
  - b) To consider other issues related to malpractice in the University examinations, and,
  - c) To discuss and recommend the punitive actions to be imposed, and/or, to recommend the other actions to be taken.

Details of the items in the agenda and the discussion held on the same and the recommendations of the Committee therein are given herewith:

Item No.06.51.02.01

ONV Memorial School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom Campus- Landscape and Development work- Request of the University Engineer- Consideration of- reg

[Pl.C]

(*Ref.No.64453/PLANNING-G/2023/UOK*)

(Planning G Section)

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, vide interim order dated 06.10.2023, has ordered to release the amount admitted by the respondents (University) in their statement to the contractor with in a period of one month from the date of the order in connection with the WP(C).16380/2023 filed by the contractor Sri. P. Manikantan. Now, the University Engineer, vide letter no. UE/DB2/PJAC-YARD/18 dated 25.10.2023 and UE/DB2/ONV-Road/2023-24 dated 26.10.2023, has requested to accord sanction to the following, after having obtained legal advice, in connection with the landscape and development works in the ONV Memorial School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom Campus, as the matter is included in the Writ Petition pending before the Hon' ble High Court.

- 1. To terminate the contract of the work with the contractor Sri. P. Manikandan and to rearrange the remaining work at the risk and cost of the contractor Sri. P. Manikandan after preparing estimate for the balance of the work to be executed by the contractor as per the agreement schedule.
- 2. to ratify the excess quantities and extra items executed by the contractor in the executed portion of the work as per the instructions of the Assistant Executive Engineer and

- Assistant Engineer at site.
- 3. to consider the last date of recording measurements of the executed work ie, 01.07.2022 as the last date of work for calculation of fine and liquidated damages for the dealy as per KPWD Mannual.
- 4. To process the Part Bill of the executed work as final settlement of the contractor for this work.
- 5. To effect the part Bill with GST @ 18 % as the Agreed PAC is excluding GST and the work was executed after 01.01.2022.
- 6. To measure and include the partly executed portion of item no. 1.08 in the Part Bill at 50 % of the agreed rate of the contractor.
- 7. To recover an amount of Rs.83,171/- from the Part Bill towards the fine and liquidated damages for the delay in execution of work from 10.04.2022 to 01.07.2022 (83 days).
- 8. To recover an amount of Rs. 36,345/- (22,015+14,330) towards rectification charges.
- 9. To retain an amount equal to 30 % of the cost of remaining work towards the amount of risk and cost as provided in Section 2116.2.1 of the KPWD Manual.

The contractor Sri. P. Manikandan has delayed the work by which rubble stone pitching for the entrance road of the ONV building was not executed by him before the NAAC visit even after repeated instructions. On the apprehension that the non completion of the work would adversely affect the NAAC re-accreditation points, the Hon' ble Vice-Chancellor after having discussed with the Engineers at site, accorded sanction to the road formation by tarring as an immediate solution, by arranging through local quotations. Accordingly, the quotations had been invited and executed the work before the NAAC visit through another contractor Sri. Reji. J. S.

The estimate amount of the said work is Rs.3,26,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh and Twenty Six Thousand only) including GST @12%,which is in excess of Rs 1,32,481/-(Rupees One Lakh Thirty Two Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty One only) than the scheduled stone pitching road work.

In the statement of facts submitted by the University before the Hon'ble High Court in WP (C) No.16380/2023 filed by the Contractor Sri. P. Manikandan, it is informed that the additional expenditure of Rs.1,32,481/- is to be realized from Sri. P. Manikandan.

- 10. Sanction to the estimate for the subject work amounting to Rs.3,26,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh and Twenty Six Thousand only) including GST @ 12% by debiting the expenditure to Part I NP:J: Works MH: 65 Works 10/5301 minor works and maintenance' in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.
- 11. Ratifying the action taken by the Assistant Executive Engineer in having arranged the work in anticipation of sanction to the estimate/ quotation based on the direction of the Vice-Chancellor.
- 12. Accepting the lowest quotation of the contractor Sri. Reji.J.S at the estimate rate.
- 13. Sanction for making payment to the contractor Sri. Reji. J.S.
- 14. To realize the additional expenditure of Rs. 1,32,481/- from the bill of Landscaping and Development works at ONV memorial School of Indian Languages entrusted with the contractor Sri. P. Manikandan and remit the same to KUF since the head of account suggested for this work is non plan fund of the University.

As per orders of the Vice Chancellor the request of the University Engineer in connection with the landscape and development works at ONV Memorial School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

#### Recommendation:

In compliance of the interim order dated 06.10.2023 of the Hon'ble High Court in WP (C) No.16380/2023 filed by the Contractor Sri. P. Manikandan, the Committee considered the matter regarding the payment to the contractor in connection with the landscape and development works at ONV Memorial School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom and observed that payment can be made only after taking some policy decisions on various matters as the contractor has stopped the work midway on 04.07.2022 and not resumed the work even after repeated instructions from the University and failed to submit the request for extension of time of completion of the work as per the norms. Therefore the Committee recommended the following:

1. To terminate the contract of the landscape and development works in the ONV Memorial

- **School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom Campus,** with Sri. P. Manikandan, the contractor and to rearrange the remaining work at the risk and cost of the contractor Sri. P. Manikandan after preparing estimate for the balance of the work to be executed by the contractor as per the agreement schedule.
- 2. To ratify the excess quantities and extra items executed by the contractor in the executed portion of the work as per the instructions of the Assistant Executive Engineer and Assistant Engineer at site.
- 3. To consider the last date of recording measurements of the executed work ie, 01.07.2022 as the last date of work for calculation of fine and liquidated damages for the delay, as per KPWD Mannual.
- 4. To prepare and process the final bill of the executed work of the contractor for this work.
- 5. To effect the final Bill with GST @ 18 %, as the Agreed PAC is excluding GST and the work was executed after 01.01.2022.
- 6. To measure and include the partly executed portion of item no. 1.08 in the final Bill at 50 % of the agreed rate of Rs.1,06,727/- (Rupees One lakh six thousand seven hundred and twenty seven only) of the contractor.
- 7. To recover an amount of Rs.83,171/- (Rupees Eighty three thousand one hundred and seventy one only) from the final Bill towards the fine and liquidated damages for the delay in execution of work from 10.04.2022 to 01.07.2022 (83 days).
- 8. To recover an amount of Rs.36,345/- (Rupees Thirty six thousand three hundred and forty five only) (22,015+14,330) towards rectification charges for the two rectification works (The rectification of the edges of the entrance steps broken at several spaces and the landscaping of south and west side yards, along with planting of mango saplings).
- 9. To retain an amount equal to 30% of the cost of remaining work towards the amount of risk and cost as provided in Section 2116.2.1 of the KPWD Manual.
- 10. To approve and accord sanction to the estimate amounting to Rs.3,43,306.90/- rounded off to Rs.3,43,400/- (Rupees Three lakh forty three thousand and four hundred only) including GST @ 18 %, for the landscape and development works in the ONV Memorial School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom Campus, by debiting the expenditure to Part I NP: J: Works MH: 65 Works 10/5301 minor works and maintenance" in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University, as the University Engineer informed the meeting that the govt. has now enhanced the GST rate to 18%.
- 11. To ratify the action taken by the Assistant Executive Engineer in having arranged the work in anticipation of sanction to the estimate/ quotation based on the direction of the Vice-Chancellor.
- 12. To accept the lowest quotation of the contractor Sri. Reji.J.S at the estimate rate.
- 13. To accord sanction to make payment to Sri. Reji. J.S, the contractor.
- 14. To realize the additional expenditure of Rs. 1,32,481/- (Rupees One lakh thirty two thousand four hundred and eighty one only) from the bill of Landscaping and Development works at ONV memorial School of Indian Languages entrusted with the contractor Sri. P. Manikandan and remit the same to KUF since the head of account suggested for this work is non plan fund of the University.

The Committee also recommended to entrust the legal section to take immediate steps on the following in compliance of the interim order dated 06.10.2023 of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, issued in connection with the WP (C).16380/2023 filed by the contractor Sri. P. Manikantan:

- 1. In the case of the other 3 tender works and all quotation works of the University, executed by the contractor Sri. P. Manikantan, as stated in the Statement of facts filed by the University, to inform the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala that all steps are being taken by the University to release the amounts admitted by the University to Sri. P. Manikantan, the contractor, on or before the 4<sup>th</sup> day of November 2023.
- 2. In the case of the landscaping and development works in the ONV Memorial School of Indian Languages at Kariavattom Campus, to entrust the Standing Counsel to appraise the *Hon'ble High Court of Kerala* of the issues related to the subject work and obtain

necessary clarification/permission on the above recommendations (detailed as Sl.no. 1 to 14) of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate since it is subjudice and to request the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala to grant more time to make payment of bills to the contractor for the work.

Considering the exigency, the Committee recommended to request the Vice-Chancellor to approve the recommendation, exercising the powers vested on him under section 10(13) of the KU Act, 1974.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.51.02.02

Matters related to Alleged Malpractice Reported in the University Examinations

(SDC Section)

Out of the **85** candidates called for personal hearing, **73** candidates were present. The committee heard all the candidates present for the hearing and took appropriate decisions on their malpractice cases. The candidates submitted written statements before the committee. The committee recommended to cancel the examination/s written by those candidates who were found to have involved in malpractice. The Committee further recommended (*unless otherwise stated separately*) to take action on the malpractice reported against the candidates who remained absent for the hearing, as and when these candidates appear before the Committee.

The details related to the alleged malpractice reported in the university examinations against the said 73 candidates present for the hearing as well as the other matters considered by the Committee, and, the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given in the below sub-items.

Item No.06.00.02 Sub-item No.02(a)

The details related to the alleged malpractice reported in the university examinations against 65 candidates (out of the total 73 candidates present for the hearing) including their personal hearings and the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given below:—reg.

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		English, July 2023		reduced
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				written bits
2	Deepak.M.C	S4 BA English & Communicative	UIT Vellarada	Possession of
		English, July 2023		written bits
	S6418/2023	Reg. No.13321967006		
3	Samuel J Jamalies	S4 B.Sc Computer Science, July	UIT Vellarada	Possession of
		2023		reduced xerox
	S6420/2023	Reg. No.32020967013		copy
4	Sumith.S.	S4 B.Sc Computer Science, July	UIT Vellarada	Possession of
		2023		reduced xerox
	S6421/2023	Reg. No.32020967017		copy
5	Aravind.A	S4 B.Com Commerce with	UIT Vellarada	Possession of
		Computer Application, July 2023		reduced bits of
	S6422/2023	Reg. No.13821967006		papers
6	Sakeer Hussain.H	S4 B.Com Commerce with	UIT Vellarada	Possession of
		Computer Application, July 2023		written bits
	S6423/2023	Reg. No.13821967015		
7	Abin.B.S	S4 B.Com Commerce with	UIT Vellarada	Possession of
		Computer Application, July 2023		reduced
	S6424/2023	Reg. No.13821967002		photostat bits

8	Ravin.R.V	S4 B.Com Commerce with	UIT Vellarada	Possession of
		Computer Application, July 2023		reduced
	S6425/2023	Reg. No.13821967013		photostat bits
9	Visakh.S.B	S4 B.Com Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023	UIT Vellarada	Possession of reduced
	S6426/2023	Reg. No.13821967020		photostat bits
10	Swapna.U	S4 BA History, July 2023	NSS Arts &	Answers written
	S6427/2023	Reg. No.14021165012	Science College, Perayam, Kollam	on handkerchief
11	Abin.A.S.	S4 B.Sc Computer Science, July 2023	Govt.College, Kariavattom	Possession of reduced
	S6429/2023	Reg.No.32021108001		photostat bits
12	Aravind.B.Nair	S4 B.Sc Computer Science, July 2023	Govt.College, Kariavattom	Possession of reduced
	S6430/2023	Reg.No.32021108010		photostat bits
13	Pranav.G	S4 B.Com, July 2023	NSS College,	Possession of
	S6431/2023	Reg.No.15920123058	Pandalam	handwritten bits of paper
14	Abhijith.A	S4 BCA, July 2023	KVVS College,	Possession of
	S6432/2023	Reg.No.33221805001	Kaithaparambu	Handwritten Manuscript
15	Sree Parvathy.G	S4 M.Sc Physics, July 2023	S.N.College for	Possession of
	S6436/2023	Cand.Code.63021129019	Women, Kollam	Handwritten bits of paper
16	Sivani.C.S	S4 BA Economics, July 2023	NSS College	Possession of
	S6437/2023	Reg. No.15020122018	Cherthala, Alappuzha	Handwritten bit
17	Asiya.S	S4 BSc Botany, July 2023	Iqbal College,	Possession of
	S6438/2023	Reg. No.24521113021	Peringamala	Handwritten bits
18	Sneha.P.Monachan	S4 BCom Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023	College of Applied Science,	Possession of Handwritten bits
	S6440/2023	Reg. No.13817894039	Kalanjoor, Pathanamthitta	
19	M.Isha Mangalam	S4 BCom Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023	Mar Chrysostom College,	Possession of Handwritten bits
	S6441/2023	Reg. No.13817157027	Paranthal, Kollam	
20	Christy Jawahar	S4 MSc Mathematics, July 2023	St. Gregorios	Possession of
	S6442/2023	Cand. Code.62021126009	College, Kottarakkara	Handwritten bit
21	Jithu.M	S4 BCom Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023	UIT, Pirappancode	Possession of Photostat &
	S6444/2023	Reg. No.13821956031		Written piece of papers
22	Mohammad	S4 BCom Commerce with	UIT,	Possession of
	Muneer.N	Computer Application, July 2023	Pirappancode	written piece of
	S6445/2023	Reg. No.13821956037		paper
23	Vishnu.B	S4 BCom Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023	UIT, Pirappancode	Possession of written piece of
	S6446/2023	Reg. No.13820956049		paper
24	Akash.R	S4 BCom Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023	UIT, Mannady, Pathanamthitta	Possession of Reduced Xerox
	S6447/2023	Reg. No.13820965001		copies
25	Aneesh.A	S4 BCom, July 2023	Iqbal College,	Possession of
26	S6448/2023	Reg. No.15921113043	Peringamala College	Handwritten bit
26	<b>Ajeshma.B</b> S6449/2023	S4 B.Com, July 2023 Reg. No.15921113017	Iqbal College, Peringamala	Possession of Handwritten Bit
27	Nash.V	S4 B.Com, July 2023	Iqbal College,	Answers written
21	S6450/2023	Reg. No.15921113059	Peringamala	on Hall Ticket
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28	Abhinav Chandran	S4 B.Com, July 2023	Sree Sankara	Possession of
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			College, Nagaroor	Notes &
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20	Alrahai Duarraan	S4 PSa Zaalagy July 2022	SN College,	Copy Possession of
29	Akshai Praveen S6454/2023	S4 BSc Zoology, July 2023 Reg. No.25021132018	Kollam	Reduced Xerox
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			Thiruvananthapur	Copies
31	Khadeejamol.S	S4 BA Sociology, July 2023	am Govt.Arts &	Writings on hall
31	S6457/2023	Reg. No.15621173003	Science College,	ticket with
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32	Muhammed Aslam.R	S4 BA English Language &	Sree Vidyadhiraja	Possession of
		Literature, July 2023	Arts & Science	Reduced Xerox
	S6459/2023	Reg. No.13020809037	College, Karunagappally	Сору
33	Devu.T.S.	S4 BA Philosophy, July 2023	S.N.College,	Possession of
- 55	S6460/2023	Reg. No.10521132033	Kollam	Handwritten bit
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34	Gowri Raj	S4 BCA, July 2023	College of	Writings on
	S6462/2023	Reg. No.33221827023	Applied Science,	backside of hall
35	Muhammed	S4 DC4 July 2022	Alappuzha College of	ticket Possession of
33	Shebeeb.C.M.	S4 BCA, July 2023	College of Applied Science,	Reduced Xerox
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36	Sandra Santhosh	S4 BCA, July 2023	College of	Writings on
	Kumar	•	Applied Science,	backside of hall
	S6464/2023	Reg. No.33221827040	Alappuzha	ticket
37	Abhijith.U	S4 B.Com, July 2023	Michaels Institute	Possession of
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			Alappuzha	Сору
38	Nithin Sha.N	S4 B.Com Commerce with	UIT,	Possession of
		Computer Application, July 2023	Mulamkadakam	Reduced Xerox
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39	Athul.S.	S4 BA Economics, July 2023	S.N.College,	Possession of
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40	Muhammad	S4 BA Sociology, July 2023	S.N.College,	Possession of
	Shahin.N.S.		Chempazhanthy	Reduced Xerox
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41	Nishad.K.	S4 BA Arabic Language &	Milad E-Sherif	Possession of
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42	Ajmiya.S.	S4 BA Arabic Language &	Milad E-Sherif	Writings on
	J	Literature, July 2023	Memorial	back side of Hall
	S6473/2023	Reg.No.13521117004	College,	Ticket
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43	Muhammed	S4 BA Arabic Language &	Milad E-Sherif	Possession of
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44	Muhammed Azhar	S4 BA Arabic Language &	Milad E-Sherif	Possession of
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	S6476/2023	Reg.No.15921800122	Science & Technology, Thonnakkal	Reduced Xerox Copy having handwritten matter also
46	Niya Naznin	S4 M.Sc Zoology, July 2023	M.S.M.College,	Possession of
	S6477/2023	Reg.No.65021117009	Kayamkulam	Handwritten bits of paper and writings on calculator
47	Joyal Samuval	S4 BBA Logistics, July 2023	Christian College,	Possession of
	S6478/2023	Reg.No.19621102026	Chengannur	Reduced Xerox Copy
48	Anand.K.Saju	S4 BA Philosophy, July 2023	S.N.College,	Possession of
	S6479/2023	Reg.No.10521131004	Cherthala	Handwritten bit of paper
49	Anju Prakash	S4 BA Economics, July 2023	S.N.College,	Possession of
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50	Nawrin.T.R.	S4 BA Economics, July 2023	Sree Narayana	Possession of
	S6481/2023	Reg.No.15021889018	Guru College of Advanced Studies, Cherthala	Handwritten bit of paper
51	Sankarvava.P.U.	S4 BA Economics, July 2023	Sree Narayana	Possession of
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52	Ananda Krishnan.U.	S4 B.Com Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023	Sree Ayyappa College,	Used Smart Watch
	S6483/2023	Reg.No.13820135016	Thiruvanvandoor	
53	Abhijith.S.	S4 B.Com Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023	Sree Ayyappa College,	Used Smart Watch
<i>5 1</i>	S6484/2023	Reg.No.13821135001 S4 B.Com Commerce with	Thiruvanvandoor	Danasaian af
54	Nanda Krishnan.A. S6485/2023	S4 B.Com Commerce with Computer Application, July 2023 Reg.No.13821135027	Sree Ayyappa College, Thiruvanvandoor	Possession of Handwritten bit
55	Praveen.P.	S4 B.Com Commerce with	Sree Narayana	of paper Possession of
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56	Devadath.R.	S4 BA English Language & Literature, July 2023	Christian College, Chengannur	Possession of Reduced Xerox
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57	Megha Murali S6488/2023	S4 BA History, July 2023 Reg.No.14021102028	Christian College, Chengannur	Possession of Reduced Xerox
50	Nithin M Tih	SAP Sa Caslagy July 2022	S N College	Copies  Possession of
58	Nithin.M.Jibu S6490/2023	S4 B.Sc Geology, July 2023 Reg.No.21018131017	S.N.College, Cherthala	Possession of Reduced Xerox Copy
59	Abhay Krishna.S.	S4 B.Sc Zoology, July 2023	S.N.College,	Possession of
	S6492/2023	Reg.No.25019131001	Cherthala	Printed Paper
60	<b>Asiya.S.</b> S6493/2023	S4 BA History, July 2023 Reg.No.14021113064	Iqbal College, Peringamala	Possession of Handwritten bit of paper
61	Aiswarya Biju	S9 Five year MBA (Integrated), June 2023	MSN Institute of Management &	Possession of reduced size of
	P5715/2023	Cand. Code.59718811001	Technology, Chavara	handwritten manuscripts

62	Samuel Savier	S8 Integrated Five year BA LLB,	Kerala Law	Possession of
		July 2023	Academy Law	written bits of
	P5716/2023	Cand. Code.47319551090	College,	papers
			Thiruvananthapura	
			m	
63	Shafan Shaji	S8 Integrated Five year BA LLB,	Kerala Law	Possession of
		July 2023	Academy Law	photostat papers
	P5717/2023	Cand. Code.47319551067	College,	
			Thiruvananthapura	
			m	
64	Nithin	S1 BHMCT, July 2023	Snehacharya	Smart Watch
	Madhusudhanan		Institute of	kept in Pant's
	P5719/2023	Cand. Code.35522902034	Management and	Pocket
			Technology,	
			Karuvatta	
65	Roshan.R	S1 Integrated Five Year BA LLB,	Kerala Law	Possession of
		August 2023	Academy Law	reduced xerox
	P5720/2023	Cand. Code.47320551109	College,	copies
		23333 2333 112	Thiruvananthapuram	r

The above mentioned candidates were present for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and were heard by the Committee, and, the corresponding documents pertaining to the malpractice reported against each of them were viewed by the Committee. All the candidates submitted written statements before the Committee. After considering all these facts, the Committee felt convinced about the guilt of malpractice of these candidates.

#### Recommendations of the Committee:

- 1) All papers of the semester/annual scheme degree examination (specified against each candidate in the table given above and in the paper/s of which these candidates respectively resorted to malpractice) attended by these candidates, be cancelled,
- 2) The paper/s of the other semester/annual scheme degree examination/s (i.e. the semester/annual scheme examinations other than those specified in the recommendation in sl.no.1 above) if any, attended by these candidates since the date of committing malpractice be cancelled,
- 3) The paper/s of the other semester/annual scheme degree examination/s (i.e. the semester/annual scheme examination/s other than those specified in the recommendation in sl.no.1 above) attended by these candidates prior to the date of committing malpractice be not affected,
- 4) These candidates be permitted to write any semester/annual scheme degree examination/s in the next available chance, and,
- 5) These candidates be allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late,
- 6) Further the Committee also observed that a total of 10 candidates (9 candidates who appeared for the hearing on this day as shown in the above table from sl.no.1 to 9, and, another one candidate namely Vishnu.R [Reg.No.32021967012] who remained absent for the hearing on this day) have been reported for alleged malpractice by the Malpractice Prevention Squad of the University in the Fourth Semester July 2023 degree examinations (pertaining to the BA English & Communicative English, BSc Computer Science and B.Com Commerce with Computer Application courses) at the centre of examination UIT Vellarada. Hence the Committee opined that there has occurred a serious lapse on duty (considering that so many students have resorted to copying in the university examinations and there has been no attempt to prevent occurrence of such an incident) on the part of the invigilator/s (in the examination hall/s in which these candidates wrote the said examinations) and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day of the incicent/s at the said institution and hence the Committee recommended to call the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at that institution for a personal hearing in its next meeting.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.51.02 Sub-item No.02(b)

The details related to the alleged malpractice reported against another 6 candidates (other than the candidates given in the previous sub-item) out of the total 71 candidates present for the hearing, and, the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given below:

Sl	Name & File	Exam & Register Number	Centre of Exam	Gist of case
No.	Number	<u> </u>		
1	Manju.R.Nair	S4 M.Sc Physics, July 2023	Christian College,	Writings on
	S6434/2023	Cand.Code.63020102008	Chengannur	Inside, Outside
				& Backside of
				Calculator
2	Aziya Jan	S4 M.Sc Physics, July 2023	St.Gregorios College,	Writings on
	S6435/2023	Cand.Code.63021126008	Kottarakkara	Cap of
				Scientific
				Calculator
3	Sreyas.M.S.	S4 BA Sociology, July 2023	Govt.Arts & Science	Possession of
S6458/2023		Reg. No.15621173006 College, Thazhava		Handwritten bit
				of paper
4	Aswin Kumar.R	S4 BCA, July 2023	College of Applied	Possession of
	S6461/2023	Reg. No.33220827020	Science, Alappuzha	Handwritten bit
				of paper
5	Aswan.B.	S4 BA Economics, July	S.N.College,	Possession of
		2023	Chempazhanthy	Reduced Xerox
	S6470/2023	Reg.No.15021127036		& Handwritten
				bit of paper
6	Muhammad	S4 BA History, July 2023	Milad E-Sherif	Possession of
	Unais.A.		Memorial College,	Handwritten bit
	S6472/2023	Reg.No.14020117040	Alappuzha	of paper

The above mentioned candidates were present for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and were heard by the Committee, and, the corresponding documents pertaining to the malpractice reported against each of them were viewed by the Committee. All the candidates submitted written statements before the Committee. After considering all these facts, the Committee felt convinced about the guilt of malpractice of these candidates.

#### **Recommendations of the Committee:**

- 1) The particular paper in which these candidates respectively resorted to malpractice be cancelled (Considering the minor nature of the offense),
- 2) The other paper/s of any semester scheme degree examination/s, if any, attended by these candidates since the date of committing malpractice be cancelled,
- 3) The other paper/s of any semester scheme degree examination/s attended by these candidates prior to the date of committing malpractice be not affected, and,
- 4) These candidates be permitted to write any semester scheme degree examination/s in the next available chance, and,
- 5) These candidates be allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.51.02 Sub-item No.02(c)

The details related to the alleged malpractice reported against another 1 candidate (other than the 65 & 6 candidates respectively given in the previous two items) out of the total 73 candidates present for the hearing and the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given below:

Alleged malpractice reported in the Fourth Semester Integrated BA LLB Degree Examination, February 2023 related to the answerscript of the candidate Seethal S Kumar- As reported by the additional examiner from CV Camp - Personal hearing of the candidate - reg. (Ref.No.SDC/P5722/2023)

Details of the alleged malpractice reported are as given hereafter.

Name & File	Exam & Register	Centre of	Gist of case
Number	Number	Exam	
Seethal S Kumar	S4 Integrated BA LLB,	NSS Law	Wrote register number/ candidate
	February 2023	College,	code in the additional sheet of
P5722/2023	Cand.Code.	Kottiyam	answer script with false no.206185
	47320552053		for the subject P4-Constitutional
			Law (As reported by additional
			examiner from CV Camp)

The candidate Seethal S Kumar was called for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate and she was present for the same and was heard by the Committee. The candidate stated that she had written her candidate code in the additional sheet of the answer script out of her ignorance of the university examination rules. The candidate submitted written statement before the Committee.

#### **Recommendations of the Committee:**

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and statement and made the following recommendation on the said malpractice reported against the candidate Seethal S Kumar (Cand.Code.47320552053):

- 1) To cancel the particular paper of the subject P4-Constitutional Law, in which the candidate was reported for alleged malpractice,
- 2) All other papers (of any semester of the course of study undertaken by this candidate corresponding to the details specified above) written prior or after the date on which the examination of the particular paper (in which malpractice was reported) was held, be not affected and that the valuation/results of such other papers if withheld (owing to the said charges of malpractice) be undertaken/published, and,
- 3) The candidate be permitted to write any semester examination in the next available chance, and,
- 4) The candidate be also allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.51.02 Sub-item No.02(d)

The details related to the alleged malpractice reported against balance 1 candidate (other than the 65, 6 and 1 candidates respectively given in the previous three items) out of the total 73 candidates present for the hearing and the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given below:

Alleged malpractice reported in the Third Semester BA Malayalam Language, Culture & Literature Degree Examination, January 2023 related to the answerscript of the candidate Reshmaraj.M.- As reported by the Chief examiner from CV Camp - Personal hearing of the candidate - reg. (Ref.No.SDC/S6568/2023)

Details of the alleged malpractice reported are as given hereafter.

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Name & File	Exam & Register	Centre of	Gist of case		
Number	Number	Exam			
Reshmaraj.M.	S3 BA Malayalam	S.N.College,	Different types of handwriting found		
	Language, Culture &	Kollam	in answerscript with false no.115889		
	Literature, January		of the subject ML 1311.1-		
	2023		Bhashavabodhavaum		
S6568/2023	Cand.Code.		Sargathmagadayum (As reported by		

115-21132043	Chief Examiner from CV Camp)

The candidate Reshmaraj.M. was called for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, and she appeared for the hearing and was heard by the Committee. The candidate denied having resorted to copying in the examination. The candidate submitted a written statement before the Committee. The Committee also verified the sample copy written by the candidate during the personal hearing, for verification of her handwriting.

#### Recommendations of the Committee:

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and opined that the candidate Reshmaraj.M. seemed to be innocent in the reported alleged malpractice, and, hence made the following recommendations:

- 1) To exonerate the candidate of the charges of malpractice and undertake the valuation and publish the results of the examination of the subject ML 1311.1- Bhashavabodhavaum Sargathmagadayum (for which the candidate was reported for alleged malpractice) and also any other University examination/s written by the candidate (withheld owing to charges of malpractice), and,
- 2) The candidate be also allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.51.02.03

The details related to three other matters of alleged malpractice in the university examinations considered by the Committee (apart from the matters of the 73 candidates present for the hearing and shown in the previous four sub-items) and the recommendations of the Committee therein are as given in the below three sub-items:—

Item No.06.51.02 Sub-item no.03(a)

Alleged malpractice reported in the Second Semester B.Sc Botany Degree Examination, September 2022 related to the answerscripts of two candidates Abhirami.B and Anu.V.Krishnan - As reported by the Chief Examiner from the CV Camp - Placing the report of the other examiner, forwarded by the Controller of Examinations (Ref.No. SDC/S6409 - S6410/2023) - reg.

Details of the alleged malpractice reported are as given hereafter.

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Sl	Name & File	Exam & Register	Centre of	Gist of case
No.	Number	Number	Exam	
1	Abhirami.B	S2 B.Sc Botany,	S.D.College,	Almost all answers and sentences
		September 2022	Alappuzha	including the correct and incorrect
	S6409/2023	Reg.No.		found copied from each other in
		24517125001		answerscripts with false no.s.392304
				and 392305 of the subject CH 1231.3-
				Inorganic and Bioinorganic Chemistry
				(As reported by Chief Examiner from
				CV Camp) (NB: Answerscript of this
				candidate with false no.392304)
2	Anu.V.	S2 B.Sc Botany,	S.D.College,	-do-
	Krishnan	September 2022	Alappuzha	(NB: Answerscript of this candidate
	S6410/2023	Reg.No.		with false no.392305)
		24517125030		

The candidates Abhirami.B and Anu.V.Krishnan were called for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on 04.09.2023, and both of them appeared for the hearing alongwith their parents and all of them were heard by the Committee. During the said hearing these candidates and their parents were shown the answerscripts and explained about the allegations of malpractice and both these candidates submitted individual written statements, wherein the candidates

Abhirami.B and Anu.V.Krishnan denied having resorted to copying in the examination. Both the candidates told they prepared notes together. The Committee observed the facts noted in the said report from the Chief Examiner alleging malpractice particularly the fact that the incorrect answers are also found copied, and, further noted that both these candidates have scored almost similar marks in this examination viz.41 & 40, as seen from the marks awarded in the answerscripts of these two candidates. It was also noted that the said report is endorsed by the Deputy Chairman of the valuation camp and has been forwarded for necessary action. The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and after hearing the candidates Abhirami.B and Anu.V.Krishnan and considering their statements and the report of the Chief Examiner (with endorsement by the Deputy Chairman) of the valuation camp, recommended to entrust the Controller of Examinations to:

- i) Examine the answerscripts of both these candidates by another examiner, in order to ascertain the chances of malpractice, and,
- ii) Place the report of the said examiner at the earliest before the Committee, in order to arrive at a conclusion.

The Syndicate meeting held on 04.10.2023 [vide the item no.04.64.01.III(C)] resolved to approve the said recommendations of the Committee.

Accordingly the Controller of Examinations arranged for the said two answerscripts to be examined by another examiner and, the report of the said another examiner has been forwarded by the Controller of Examinations. In the said report, the examiner has stated that on a general scrutiny the answers are quite similar in both answerpapers in presentation and writing and that this can happen either due to copying or due to studying same learning material by both of them and that a conclusive judgement about the same cannot be done. As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter has been placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate. The Committee viewed the said report of the another examiner. The Committee also noted the fact that both the candidates have answered exactly the same questions (except only one question i.e. question no.19, that has been answered only by the candidate Abhirami.B), and, the marks secured by both the candidates for each of these questions answered (except only the said question no.19) are exactly the same.

#### Recommendations of the Committee:

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts including the statements of the two candidates (namely Abhirami.B and Anu.V.Krishnan), the report of the another examiner arranged by the Controller of Examinations (for examining the answerscripts based on the resolution of the Syndicate), and, also the report of the Chief Examiner from the CV Camp (particularly the fact that the incorrect answers are also found copied) alleging the said malpractice that is also endorsed by the Deputy Chairman of that CV Camp. The Committee also noted the fact that both these candidates have secured almost similar marks in the said examination viz. 41 & 40 respectively, and that they have answered the same questions (except only the question no.19, which has been answered only by the candidate Abhirami.B) and that the marks secured by both these candidates for each of these questions answered (except only the said question no.19) are exactly the same. The Committee felt that the candidates Abhirami.B (Reg.No.24517125001) and Anu.V.Krishnan (Reg. No. 24517125030) are guilty of the charges of malpractice and hence made the following recommendations on the said malpractice reported:

- 1) To cancel the particular paper of the subject CH 1231.3- Inorganic and Bioinorganic Chemistry, in which these candidates were reported for malpractice,
- 2) All other papers (of any semester of the course of study undertaken by these candidates corresponding to the details specified above) written prior or after the date on which the examination of the particular paper (in which malpractice was reported) was held, shall not be affected and that the valuation/results of such other papers if withheld (owing to the said charges of malpractice) shall be undertaken/published, and,
- 3) Permitted to write any semester examination in the next available chance, and,
- 4) The candidates are also allowed to remit the examination fee without fine even if it is late.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.51.02 Sub-item no.03(b)

Alleged malpractice reported in the Third Semester M.Com-Finance (SDE) Degree Examination, December 2021 related to the revaluation memo of the candidate Sruthi S S- As reported by the EG V tabulation section – Placing the report of the enquiry conducted by the Controller of Examinations - reg.

(Ref.No. SDC/S6132/2023)

Details of the alleged malpractice reported is as given below.

Name & File	Exam & Register	Centre of	Gist of case
Number	Number	Exam	
Sruthi S S	S3 M.Com-Finance	N.S.S.College,	Tampering of revaluation result memo
	(SDE), December 2021	Neeramankara	for the subject CO 234-Advanced
S6132/2023	Reg.No. 843191183		Cost and Management Accounting
			with no change in original marks of
			20 tampered to show marks as 35 in
			the revaluation result published on
			27/12/2022 (As reported by EG V
			Section)

The candidate Sruthi S S was called for the personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Students' Discipline on 11.04.2023 and she was present for the hearing and was heard by the Committee. The candidate denied the allegation of having tampered the revaluation memo. The candidate submitted written statement before the Committee.

#### The Committee noted the following facts reported from the EG V tabulation section:

- 1) On verification of the tabulation software it was found that the revaluation memo of this candidate exhibits no change of marks for the subject CO 234,
- 2) The said fact was informed to the KUCC and it was found that there is no change of marks after revaluation for this subject in the said examination,
- 3) Later this candidate submitted another revaluation memo (after previously having submitted the tampered revaluation memo alongwith a request for change of marks) in which there is no change of marks for this subject in the said examination and it was accompanied with a letter stating the same.

The Committee also noted the facts reported from the EJ II revaluation section that there is no change in the marks after revaluation for the said candidate and that the revaluation memo was uploaded on 27.12.2022.

The Committee also verified the said tampered revaluation memo submitted by Sruthi S S showing change in the marks after revaluation from '20' to '35' and crosschecked it with a sample revaluation memo submitted by the EJ II revaluation section showing change in marks of another candidate named Denil David Roche. On crosschecking these two memos the Committee observed a discrepancy. It is observed that there is a difference in the said tampered revaluation memo submitted by Sruthi S S when compared with the other sample revaluation memo submitted by the EJ II revaluation section. The wordings used for the marks under the column titled "In Words" is mentioned as "Thirty Five" (corresponding to the marks in figures shown as 35) in the tampered revaluation memo of Sruthi S S, whereas in the sample revaluation memo (submitted by EJ II revaluation section) the wordings for the marks appear differently and are mentioned as "Two Eight" (instead of Twenty Eight corresponding to the marks in figures shown as 28) and "Three Three" (instead of Thirty Three corresponding to the marks in figures shown as 33).

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts. The Committee after hearing the candidate Sruthi S S noted that the said candidate has denied the allegation levelled against her, but at the same time it observed that the said issue is a serious one and may require further investigation to prove the allegations. In view of these facts, the Committee recommended to entrust the Controller of Examinations:

- i) Conduct an enquiry and submit a report before the Committee at the earliest, and,
- ii) As the allegations against the candidate is yet to be proven effectively, hence the said candidate may be allowed to write further University Examinations, the results of which be

published only after the promulgation of the final decision of the enquiry.

The Syndicate meeting held on 13.04.2023 [vide the sub-item no.55.68.02.III(B) under the item no.55.68] resolved to approve the said recommendations of the Committee.

Accordingly the enquiry was conducted by the Controller of Examinations and the remarks of the Director, KUCC were fetched and the report on the same has been forwarded by the Controller of Examinations. As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor to place the matters related to malpractice before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, the said report of the Controller of Examinations on this issue is placed before the said Committee. The Committee noted the facts stated in the said report that it is clearly confirmed that there is no technical error in this case, thus confirming that the candidate has submitted forged revaluation memo.

# **Recommendations of the Committee:**

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts reported on the alleged tampering of the revaluation memo by the candidate Sruthi S S, including the findings of the EG V tabulation section, EJ II revaluation section, the remarks of the Director-KUCC, the enquiry report of the Controller of Examinations and statement of the candidate Sruthi S S. The Committee felt convinced that the candidate Sruthi S S (Reg.No. 843191183) is guilty of the alleged charges of malpractice. Considering the serious nature of the offence committed by the candidate Sruthi S S, the Committee recommended that:

- i) the candidate be not permitted to appear for any of the university examinations till 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, and, any examination/s, if at all, written by the candidate since the date of detection of the said malpractice be cancelled.
- ii) the Committee further opined that the candidate Sruthi S S was earlier permitted to appear for further University Examinations [as per the decision of the Syndicate meeting held on 13.04.2023, vide the sub-item no.55.68.02.III(B) under the item no.55.68], as then the allegations against her were not proven effectively. Since the said allegations are now effectively proven true, hence the candidate Sruthi S S has to be immediately debarred from appearing for any further University Examinations till 31st March 2024. In view of this fact, the Committee further recommended to request the Vice-Chancellor to approve the said recommendations on this item related to the candidate Sruthi S S, exercising the powers vested on him under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, has approved the said recommendations of the Committee and the same is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.51.02 Sub-item no.03(c)

Alleged Malpractice reported by the Malpractice Prevention Squad against a total of thirteen candidates in the first semester B.A Degree Examinations, March 2023 from the centre of examination NSS College, Pandalam – Personal Hearing of the Invigilator/s and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations of that institution - reg.

(Ref.No.:SDC/S6253-S6265/2023)

Alleged Malpractice was reported by the Malpractice Prevention Squad against a total of thirteen candidates in the first semester B.A (*Courses of Economics, Hindi Language & Literature and History*) Degree Examinations, March 2023 from the centre of examination NSS College, Pandalam.

The Syndicate meeting held on 09.06.2023 (vide item no.58.38.01.I, copy of minutes appended) resolved to call the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at that institution for a personal hearing in its next meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Students' Discipline.

The Vice-Chancellor ordered to conduct the said hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Accordingly the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University

Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at NSS College, Pandalam, were summoned to appear for a personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on 05.09.2023, however they did not appear before the Committee. The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and expressed its displeasure on the absence of the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations of NSS College, Pandalam from the personal hearing. However the Committee recommended to give another chance to the said teaching staff to appear for the personal hearing without fail in the next meeting of the Committee. The Syndicate meeting held on 04.10.2023 [vide item no.04.64.02.IV(D)] resolved to approve the said recommendations of the Committee.

In the meantime the Principal of NSS College, Pandalam vide his email sent to the Controller of Examinations on 05.09.2023 stated that the letter for the said hearing reached on 05.09.2023, hence the said teaching staff could not attend the hearing, and, thereby requested to allot a new date for the hearing.

Accordingly the invigilator/s concerned and the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at NSS College, Pandalam, were summoned to appear for a personal hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on 28.10.2023. The five invigilators namely Dr.Muthumon T.F.(Dept. of Commerce), Revathy S. (Dept. of English), Parvathy Vijayan (Dept. of English), Salini J.S. (Dept. of Commerce), Dr.Sandhya B.Nair (Dept. of Sanskrit), who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s and the present Additional Chief Superintendent Dr.Mahesh.S.K. (Dept. of Physics) at NSS College, Pandalam were present for the hearing. The said teaching staff affirmed that they would be more vigilant and cautious in the execution of University Examination duties and thereby submitted a joint statement before the Committee. The Committee after hearing the said invigilators suggested various possible measures that the teaching staff in the institution should adopt for ensuring a fair conduct of University Examinations and prevent the chances of malpractice during University Examinations. The said teaching staff informed that one of the invigilators as well as the Chief Superintendent of University Examinations who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at that institution, were unable to be present for the hearing owing to some official duties, and, requested on their behalf that those teaching staff be allowed to attend the hearing before the Committee on 30.10.2023. The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and expressed the grave concern of the University on this incident to the teaching staff of NSS College, Pandalam who attended the hearing, and, further recommended to take a final decision on this issue after hearing the balance teaching staff of that institution who will attend the hearing on 30.10.2023.

Accordingly the balance teaching staff of NSS College, Pandalam namely the invigilator (Asst.Professor in Unnithan English) and the Chief Superintendent Prof.(Dr.)K.G.Padmakumaran Nair (Principal-in-charge & D.D.O.) who were on duty on the day/s of the incident/s at that institution appeared for the hearing before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate. The invigilator Haritha R Unnithan assured that there will be no lapse on her part hereafter on such issues. The Chief Superintendent Prof.(Dr.)K.G.Padmakumaran Nair affirmed that he will be more cautious in the execution of duty during the university examinations and will try to install cameras in all the examination halls, and, that internal inspection squad will be strengthened and proper instructions will be given to the invigilators on duty and disciplinary action will be taken against any negligence from their part.

# **Recommendations of the Committee:**

The Committee considered the above mentioned facts and expressed the grave concern of the University on this incident to the teaching staff of NSS College, Pandalam who attended the hearing, and, directed these teaching staff to inform the other teaching staff of the college to be utmost vigilant during the conduct of University Examinations. The Committee also warned them that any repetition of similar natured incidents shall attract punitive actions therein over the college. The Committee further recommended to close this issue.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.10.2023, be approved.

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# Item No.06.52 Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023- approval-reg.

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The meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate has been held on 06.11.2023, Monday at 2.00 pm in the Syndicate Room. (Minutes appended).

The recommendation on the Item No:A1 of the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate has been approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974, as recommended by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate. The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and approval.

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE

Date : 06<sup>th</sup> November, 2023

Time : 02.00 p.m. Venue : Syndicate Room

# **Members Present**

1. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G. (Convenor)

2. Dr. K G Gopchandran

- 3. Dr. P M Radhamany
- 4. Dr. S Jayan
- 5. Dr.Shijukhan J S
- 6. Sri. R Rajesh

#### **Members Absent**

NIL

# Item No:06.52.A1 University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree, Regulations, 2022 – implementation - reg:-

The University Grants Commission has notified the minimum Standards and Procedures for award of Ph.D. Degree in the Gazette of India on 07.11.2022 (**Copy attached herewith**). The said Regulations shall come in to force from the date of their publication in the Gazette of India and shall apply to every University established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, a Provincial Act, or a State Act, every college, and every institution deemed to be a University under section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 08.12.2022, vide item No.49.66.A21 considered the matter of implementing UGC Regulations 2022 in the University of Kerala and resolved to constitute a subcommittee comprising of Dr. S. Nazeeb, Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research, Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Dr. Vijayan Pillai M., Sri. Arun Kumar R., Dr.K.B.Manoj, Sri. Jairaj J., Members Syndicate, Director IQAC, Director Research, Vice-Chairman CSS, to study the matter and submit a report in the next Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 20.05.2023, vide item.No 57.81.A6 considered the matter along with the minutes of the subcommittee and resolved to implement the UGC Regulations, 2022 (Minimum Standards and Procedures for the Award of Ph.D. Degree) in toto, with effect from July 2023 session of Ph.D. Registration subject to the approval of the Academic Council.

The Academic Council at its meeting held on 25.05.2023, vide Item No. 89, considered the matter and it was *resolved to place the matter before the next Academic Council*.

It may be noted that the previous Regulations, i.e. *The Regulations for Award of Ph.D. Degrees, University of Kerala, 2016* was drafted, in tune with the UGC Regulations, 2016, by the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 06.08.2016.

Similarly, a regulation in this regard is also to be drafted in tune with the UGC Regulations, 2022, before implementing the same "in toto", in the University of Kerala, as there is a need for

modifications in several portions. Following are some of the points that need to be considered accordingly:

- Heading of the Regulations and the introduction paragraph are to be modified.
- The session from which the proposed Regulations are to be made applicable is to be fixed.
- The term "Higher Education Institution (HEI)" mentioned several times in the UGC Regulations, 2022 may be changed.
- "Definitions" given under Clause (2) of the UGC Regulations, 2022 are to be modified in accordance with that of University of Kerala.
- The term "Re-registration" mentioned in Clause 4(2) of the UGC Regulations, 2022 may be changed, as the procedure named "re-registration" is currently used for sanctioning re-registration to the research scholars on the occurrence of either default in payment of research fee or break in research.
- The "Competent Authority" mentioned in Clause 6(1) of the UGC Regulations, 2022, for recommending to permit a co-supervisor to the scholar may be defined.
- The "Research Advisory Committee" mentioned under Clauses 9(1), 10 and 11(5) may be changed to "Departmental Doctoral Committee".

It may be noted that policy decisions on such modifications need to be taken without changing the norms prescribed in the UGC Regulations 2022, as the Syndicate held on 20.05.2023 has already resolved to implement the UGC Regulations, 2022 in toto, with effect from July 2023 session, subject to approval of the Academic Council.

The above Syndicate also resolved to constitute a sub-committee consisting of Dr. S.Nazeeb, Dr.K.G. Gopchandran, Dr. K.B. Manoj, Members Syndicate for implementing the reservation policy in Ph.D. admission as similar to that of P.G. Degree admissions in University Departments.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has ordered to place the matter regarding <u>slight modification</u> <u>needed in the Regulations</u> and the <u>constitution of the sub-committee for implementing the reservation</u> policy in Ph.D. admission before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate at it's meeting held on 25.08.2023 considered the matter regarding implementation of UGC Regulations 2022 and recommended to constitute a subcommittee with Dr. P. M. Radhamany, Dr. K. G. Gopchandran, Members Syndicate and the Director Research as members, to prepare a draft Regulation for implementing the UGC Regulations 2022 in the University.

The Syndicate at it's meeting held on 04.10.2023, vide item No.04.11.A37 resolved that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 25.08.2023, be approved and further resolved to entrust the above sub-committee to place the report before the next Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Accordingly the above sub-committee has been convened on 31.10.2023 at 4.00pm in the IQAC Mini Conference Hall and discussed UGC Regulations 2022, in detail and drafted the 'Regulations for Award of Ph.D Degree, University of Kerala, 2022'. (Draft of the minutes appended herewith)

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the Minutes of the meeting of the Subcommittee constituted by the Syndicate regarding the Implementation of the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedures for the Award of Ph.D Degree) Regulations, 2022, along with the draft of the **Regulations for Award of Ph.D Degree**, **University of Kerala**, 2022 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Subcommittee constituted by the Syndicate regarding the implementation of the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedures for the Award of Ph.D Degree) Regulations, 2022

Date& Time : 31.10.2023 ; 04.00 p.m Venue : IQAC Mini Conference room

#### **Members Present**

Dr. P. M. Radhamany, Member Syndicate
Dr. K. G. Gopchandran, Member Syndicate
Dr. R.B. Binoj Kumar, Director Research
Sd/-

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 04.10.2023, vide item.No. 04.11.A37, considered the matter of implementing UGC Regulations 2022 in the University of Kerala and resolved to constitute a subcommittee with above members.

The subcommittee discussed the UGC Regulations 2022, in detail and drafted the 'Regulations for Award of Ph.D Degree, University of Kerala, 2022'. (Draft appended)

#### -- D R A F T --

# Regulations for Award of Ph.D. Degree, University of Kerala, 2022 (Minimum Standards and Procedures)

The Regulations for Award of Ph.D. Degree, University of Kerala, 2022 as below, framed in adherence to the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Awards of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022 notified in the Gazette of India [No.544, PART III- Section 4] on 07<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 and in supersession of the Regulations for Award of Ph.D. Degree, University of Kerala, 2016. namely: -

# 1. Short title, Application, and Commencement -

- (1) These Regulations may be called Regulations for Award of Ph.D. Degree, University of Kerala, 2022.
- (2) They shall be made applicable to the candidates seeking registration for Ph.D. Degree from January 2024 session.

# 2. Definitions - (1) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires -

- a) "Adjunct Faculty" means a part-time or contingent instructor, but not full-time faculty member hired to teach by a Higher Educational Institution;
- b) "Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)" means a measure of the overall cumulative performance of a student over all semesters. The CGPA is the ratio of total credit points secured by a student in various courses in all semesters and the sum of the total credits of allcourses in all semesters. It is expressed up to two decimal places;
- c) "Credit" means the number of hours of instruction required per week over the duration of a semester. A three-credit course in a semester means three one-hour lectures per week, with each one-hour lecture counted as one credit;
- d) "Research Institute/Centre" means a University Department or an institution engaged in higher education and/or research, either established by the University as its constituent unit or is affiliated with it and approved by the University for the purpose of Ph.D. research;
- e) "Course" means one of the specified units which go to comprise a programme of study;
- f) "Course Work" means courses of study prescribed by the School/Department/ Centre to be undertaken by a student registered for the Ph.D. Degree;
- g) "Degree" means a degree awarded by the University of Kerala.
- h) "External examiner" means an academician/researcher with published research work who is not part of the University of Kerala where the Ph.D. scholar has registered for the Ph.D. programme;
- i) "Foreign Educational Institution" means—(i) an institution duly established or incorporated in its home country and offering educational programmes at the undergraduate, postgraduate and higher levels in its home country and (ii) which offers programme(s) of study leading to the award of a degree through conventional face-to-face mode, but excluding distance, online, ODL mode;
- j) "Grade Point" means a numerical weight allotted to each letter grade on a 10-point scale;
- k) "Guide/ Research Supervisor" means an academician/researcher recognized by the University of Kerala to supervise the Ph.D. scholar for his/her research;
- 1) "Interdisciplinary Research" means research conducted by a Ph.D. scholar in two or more academic disciplines;
- m) "Open and Distance Learning Mode" shall have the same meaning as defined under the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations 2020;
- n) "Online Mode" shall have the same meaning as defined under the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations 2020;
- o) "Plagiarism" means the practice of taking someone else's work or idea and passing them as one's own;
- p) "Programme" means a higher education programme pursued for a degree;

- q) "Prospectus/ Notification" means any document, whether in print or otherwise, issued for providing fair and transparent information relating to the University, to the general public (including to those seeking admission);
- r) "Research Proposal/ Synopsis" means a brief write-up giving an outline of the proposed research work which the Ph.D. scholar shall submit along with the application for registration for Ph.D. programme;
- s) "University" means University of Kerala
- (2) Words and expressions used and not defined in these Regulations but defined in Act/Statutes and not consistent with these Regulations shall have the meanings assigned to them in that Act/ Statutes thereunder.

# 3. Eligibility criteria for admission to the Ph.D. Programme-

The following are eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D. programme:

- (1) Candidates who have completed:
  - (i) A 1-year/2-semester master's degree programme after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme or a 2-year/4-semester master's degree programme after a 3-year bachelor's degree programme or qualifications declared equivalent to the master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of the educational institution. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the State Government/ University from time to time.

Provided that a candidate seeking admission after a 4-year/8-semester bachelor's degree programme should have a minimum of 75% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the State Government / University from time to time.

Candidates who have completed the M.Phil. programme with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed or equivalent qualification from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of educational institutions, shall be eligible for admission to the Ph.D. programme. A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/ Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as decided by the State Government/ University from time to time.

# 4. Duration of the Programme -

- (1) Ph.D. Programme shall be for a minimum duration of three (3) years, including course work, and a maximum duration of six (6) years from the date of admission to the Ph.D. programme.
- (2) A maximum of an additional two (2) years can be given as an extension subject to the approval of the Syndicate; provided, however, that the total period for completion of a Ph.D. programme should not exceed eight (8) years from the date of admission in the Ph.D. programme.

Provided further that, female Ph.D. scholars and Persons with Disabilities (having more than 40% disability) may be allowed an additional relaxation of two (2) years; however, the total

- period for completion of a Ph.D. programme in such cases should not exceed ten (10) years from the date of admission in the Ph.D. programme.
- (3) Female Ph.D. Scholars may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave for up to 240 days in the entire duration of the Ph.D. programme.

#### 5. Procedure for admission -

- (1) The admission shall be based on the criteria notified by the institution, keeping in view the guidelines/norms in this regard issued by the UGC and other statutory/regulatory bodies concerned, and taking into account the reservation policy of the State Government from time to time. The mode of implementation of the reservation policy in the admission for Ph.D. programme shall be based on the University orders issued in this regard from time to time.
- (2) Admission to the Ph.D. programme shall be made using the following methods:
  - i. University shall admit students who qualify for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET/UGC- CSIR NET/GATE/CEED and similar National level tests/ State level tests approved by the University exclusively for this purpose, based on an interview. University shall also admit the candidates who have qualified M.Phil. degree prior to the date on which this Regulations came in to force in the University.

#### And / Or

- ii. University shall admit students through an Entrance Test. The syllabus shall consist of 50% of research methodology, and 50% of the specific subject.
- iii. Students who have secured 50 % marks in the entrance test are eligible to be called for the interview. A relaxation of 5% marks will be allowed in the entrance examination for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC/differently-abled category, Economically Weaker Section (EWS), and other categories of candidates as decided by the State Government/ University from time to time.
- iv. University shall decide the number of eligible students to be called for an interview based on the number of Ph.D. seats available.
- v. Provided that for the selection of candidates based on the entrance test conducted by the University, a weightage of 70 % for the entrance test and 30 % for the performance in the interview/ viva- voce shall be given.
- (3) University shall notify, well in advance on the website, specifying the number of seats for admission, subject/ discipline-wise distribution of available seats, criteria for admission, the procedure for admission, and all other relevant information for the candidates;
- (4) University shall maintain a list of Ph.D. supervisors (specifying the name of the supervisor, his or her designation, and the department/school/centre), along with the details of Ph.D. scholars (specifying the name of the registered Ph.D. scholar, the topic of his/her research and the date of admission) admitted under them on the website and update this list every session.

# 6. Allocation of Research Supervisor- Eligibility criteria to be a Research Supervisor, Co-Supervisor, number of Ph.D. scholars permissible per supervisor, etc.

(1) Permanent faculty members working as Professor/Associate Professor of the University Departments/ affiliated Post-Graduate colleges with a Ph.D., and at least five research publications in peer-reviewed or refereed journals and permanent faculty members working as Assistant Professors in University Departments/ affiliated Post-Graduate colleges with a Ph.D., and at least three research publications in peer-reviewed or refereed journals may be recognized as a Research Supervisor in the University where the faculty member is employed or in its affiliated Post-Graduate Colleges/institutes. Such recognized research supervisors cannot supervise research scholars in other institutions, where they can only act as cosupervisors. Ph.D. awarded by the University under the supervision of a faculty member who is not an employee of the university or its affiliated Post-Graduate Colleges/ Institutes would be in violation of these Regulations. In any case, such affiliated Post-Graduate Colleges/ Institutes should be recognized as approved research centre of the University.

For Ph.D. scholars working in Central government/ State government research institutions whose degrees are given by University, the scientists in such research institutions who are

equivalent to Professor/Associate Professor/Assistant Professor can be recognized as supervisors if they fulfil the above requirements.

Provided that in areas/disciplines where there is no, or only a limited number of peerreviewed or refereed journals, the University may relax the above condition for recognition of a person as Research Supervisor with reasons recorded in writing.

Co-Supervisors from other institutions may be permitted with the approval of the Syndicate. Adjunct Faculty members shall not act as Research Supervisors and can only act as cosupervisors.

- (2) In case of interdisciplinary/ multidisciplinary research work, if required, a Co-Supervisor from outside the Department/ School/ Centre/ College/ University may be appointed subject to the approval of the Syndicate.
- (3) An eligible Professor/Associate Professor/Assistant Professor can guide up to eight (8)/ six (6)/ four (4) Ph.D. scholars, respectively, at any given time.
- (4) In case of relocation of a female Ph.D. scholar due to marriage or otherwise, the research data shall be allowed to be transferred to the Higher Educational Institution to which the scholar intends to relocate, provided all the other conditions in these Regulations are followed, and the research work does not pertain to a project sanctioned to the parent Institution/Supervisor by any funding agency. Such scholar shall, however, give due credit to the parent institution and the supervisor for the part of research already undertaken.
- (5) Faculty members with less than three years of service before superannuation shall not be allowed to take new research scholars under their supervision. However, such faculty members can continue to supervise Ph.D. scholars who are already registered until superannuation and as a co-supervisor after superannuation, but not after attaining the age of 70 years.

# 7. Admission of International students in Ph.D. programme -

- (1) Each supervisor can guide up to two international research scholars, on a supernumerary basis, over and above the permitted number of Ph.D. scholars as specified in Clause 6.3 above.
- (2) The selection procedure for Ph.D. admission of international students shall be in accordance with the rules/guidelines/norms in this regard issued by the University from time to time.
- **8.** At any point, the total number of Ph.D. scholars under a faculty member, either as a supervisor or a co-supervisor, shall not exceed the number prescribed in Clause 6.3 and Clause 7.1.

# 9. Course Work- Credit requirements, number, duration, syllabus, minimum standards for completion, etc. –

- (1) The Credit requirement for the Ph.D. coursework is 14 credits, including a "Research and Publication Ethics" course and a research methodology course. The Department Doctoral Committee can also recommend UGC recognized online courses as part of the credit requirements for the Ph.D. programme.
- (2) All Ph.D. scholars, irrespective of discipline, shall be required to train in teaching/ education/ pedagogy/ writing related to their chosen Ph.D. subject during their doctoral period. Ph.D. scholars may also be assigned 4-6 hours per week of teaching/ research assistantship for conducting tutorial or laboratory work and evaluations.
- (3) A Ph.D. scholar must obtain a minimum of 55% marks or its equivalent grade in the UGC 10-point scale in the course work to be eligible to continue in the programme and submit his or her thesis.

# 10. Department Doctoral Committee and its functions -

(1) There shall be a Department Doctoral Committee for each Ph.D. scholar. The Research Supervisor of the Ph.D. scholar concerned shall be the Convener of this committee, and this committee shall have the following responsibilities:

- i. To review the research proposal and finalize the topic of research.
- ii. To guide the Ph.D. scholar in developing the study design and methodology of research and identify the course(s) that he/she may have to do.
- iii. To periodically review and assist in the progress of the research work of the Ph.D. scholar.
- (2) Each semester, a Ph.D. scholar shall appear before the Department Doctoral Committee to make a presentation and submit a brief report on the progress of his/her work for evaluation and further guidance. The Department Doctoral Committee shall submit its recommendations along with a copy of Ph.D. scholar's progress report to the University. A copy of such recommendations shall also be provided to the Ph.D. scholar.
- (3) In case the progress of the Ph.D. scholar is unsatisfactory, the Department Doctoral Committee shall record the reasons for the same and suggest corrective measures. If the Ph.D. scholar fails to implement these corrective measures, the Department Doctoral Committee may recommend, with specific reasons, the cancellation of the registration of the Ph.D. scholar from the Ph.D. programme.

# 11. Evaluation and Assessment Methods, minimum standards/credits for award of the degree, etc. –

- (1) Upon satisfactory completion of course work and obtaining the marks/grade prescribed in clause (3) of Regulation 9 above, the Ph.D. scholar shall be required to undertake research work and produce a draft dissertation/thesis.
- (2) Before submitting the dissertation/thesis, the Ph.D. scholar shall make a presentation before the Department Doctoral Committee concerned, which shall also be open to all faculty members and other research scholars/students.
- (3) The University shall have a mechanism using well-developed software applications to detect Plagiarism in research work and the research integrity shall be an integral part of all the research activities leading to the award of a Ph.D. degree.
- (4) A Ph.D. scholar shall submit the thesis for evaluation, along with (a) an undertaking from the Ph.D. scholar that there is no plagiarism and (b) a certificate from the Research Supervisor attesting to the originality of the thesis and that the thesis has not been submitted for the award of any other degree/diploma to any other Higher Educational Institution.
- (5) The Ph.D. thesis submitted by a Ph.D. scholar shall be evaluated by his/her Research Supervisor and at least two external examiners who are experts in the field and not in employment of the University concerned. Such examiner(s) should be academics with a good record of scholarly publications in the field. Wherever possible, one of the external examiners should be chosen from outside India. The viva-voce board shall consist of the Research Supervisor and at least one of the two external examiners and may be conducted online. The viva-voce shall be open to the members of the Department Doctoral Committee/ faculty members/ research scholars, and students. The rules related to the adjudication of Ph.D. thesis shall be based on the University orders issued in this regard from time to time.
- (6) The viva-voce of the Ph.D. scholar to defend the thesis shall be conducted if both the external examiners recommend acceptance of the thesis after incorporating any corrections suggested by them. If one of the external examiners recommends rejection, the University shall send the thesis to an alternate external examiner from the approved panel of examiners, and the viva-voce examination shall be held only if the alternate examiner recommends acceptance of the thesis. If the alternate examiner does not recommend acceptance of the thesis, the thesis shall be rejected, and the Ph.D. scholar shall be declared ineligible for the award of a Ph.D.
- (7) The University shall complete the entire process of evaluating a Ph. D. thesis, including the declaration of the viva-voce result, within a period of six (6) months from the date of submission of the thesis.

# 12. Academic, research, administrative, and infrastructure requirements to be fulfilled by Colleges for getting recognition for offering Ph.D. programmes. –

(1) Post-graduate Colleges offering 4-year Undergraduate Programmes and/or Post-graduate Programmes, may offer Ph.D. programmes, provided they satisfy the availability of eligible

- Research Supervisors, required infrastructure, and supporting administrative and research facilities as per these Regulations.
- (2) Colleges and research institutions established by the central government or a State government whose degrees are awarded by the University shall offer Ph.D. programmes provided they have:
  - i. At least two faculty members in a college or two Ph.D.-qualified scientists in the research institution.
  - ii. Adequate infrastructure, administrative support, research facilities and library resources as specified by the University.

# 13. Ph.D. through Part-time Mode -

- (1) Ph.D. programmes through part-time mode will be permitted, provided all the conditions stipulated in these Regulations are fulfilled.
- (2) The University shall obtain a "No Objection Certificate" through the candidate for a part-time Ph.D. programme from the appropriate authority in the organization where the candidate is employed, clearly stating that:
  - i. The candidate is permitted to pursue studies on a part-time basis.
  - ii. His/her official duties permit him/her to devote sufficient time for research.
  - iii. If required, he/she will be relieved from the duty to complete the course work.
- (3) Any institutions/ colleges approved as research centre of the University shall not offer Ph.D. programme through distance and / or online mode.

# 14. Grant of M.Phil. Degree -

Any institutions or colleges affiliated to University of Kerala shall not offer the M.Phil. (Master of Philosophy) programme.

#### 15. Issuing a Special certificate -

Prior to the actual award of the Ph.D. degree, the degree- awarding University shall issue a Special certificate to the effect that the Ph.D. is being awarded in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations.

# 16. Award of Ph.D. degrees prior to Notification of these Regulations -

Award of degrees to candidates registered for the Ph.D. programme on or after July 2009 session, till the date of Notification of these Regulations shall be governed by the provisions of the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2009 or the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016 as the case may be. Further, the award of degrees to candidates already registered and pursuing Ph.D. shall be governed by these Regulations or UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2016. Nothing in these Regulations shall impact the M.Phil. degree programmes commencing prior to the implementation of these Regulations.

**17. Depository with INFLIBNET.-**Following the successful completion of the evaluation process and before the announcement of the award of the Ph.D. degree(s), the University shall submit an electronic copy of the Ph.D. thesis to INFLIBNET, for hosting the same so as to make it accessible to all the Higher Educational Institutions and research institutions.

Recommendation: Committee recommended and forward the draft Regulations for Award of Ph.D. Degree, University of Kerala, 2022, to the next meeting of the Academic Council with the following modifications:

- 1) To modify Clause 5(2)(i) as,
  - "University shall admit students who qualify for fellowship/ scholarship in UGC-NET/ UGC-CSIR NET/GATE/CEED and similar National level tests/ State level tests approved by the University exclusively for this purpose, based on an interview. University shall also admit the candidates who have qualified M.Phil. degree and Ph.D. entrance examination conducted by the University, prior to January 2024, based on an interview.
- 2) To modify Clause 5(2)(iii) as,
  - "Students who have secured 50 % marks each in research methodology and the specific subject are eligible to be called for the interview. A relaxation of 10% marks will be allowed in the entrance examination for the candidates belonging to SC/ST category. A relaxation of 5% marks will be allowed in the entrance examination for the candidates belonging to

OBC/differently-abled category, Economically Weaker Section (EWS), and other categories of candidates as decided by the State Government / University from time to time."

3) To modify Clause 11(4) as,

"A Ph.D. scholar shall submit the thesis for evaluation, along with (a) an undertaking from the Ph.D. scholar that there is no plagiarism and (b) a certificate from the Research Supervisor attesting to the originality of the thesis and that the thesis is plagiarism free and has not been submitted for the award of any other degree/diploma to any other Higher Educational Institution."

4) To modify Clause 15 as,

"15. Issuing a Separate/ Special certificate -

Prior to the actual award of the Ph.D. degree, the degree- awarding University shall issue a Separate/ Special certificate to the effect that the Ph.D. is being awarded in accordance with the provisions of these Regulations."

The committee, by considering the exigency in placing the matter in the Academic Council scheduled to be held on 21.11.2023, further recommended that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor may approve the above recommendation, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be noted.

# Item No.06.52.B1 Condonation of Shortage of attendance- Sri.Jose Vincent, S2 MA Economics, FMN College (2003-2005) -reg-

(EF V)

The Principal, FMN College, Kollam has forwarded the application for condonation in respect of Sri.Jose Vincent for his second semester MA Economics during the academic year 2003-2004 along with a covering letter. The Principal has stated in the letter that the candidate was removed from the roll of attendance during the second semester due to attendance shortage.

Concerned tabulation section, EG XI B, has remarked that Sri.JoseVincent, MA Economics candidate of FMN College, Kollam during the academic year 2003-2004 had registered for the second semester Examination in July 2004 but not attended the Examination .Even though he had shortage of attendance for that semester, he had not applied for condonation at that time. The first semester exam registration of the candidate held in January 2004 was also seen cancelled and the candidate had neither registered for the third or fourth semester Examinations.

Now the candidate has submitted the application for condonation of shortage of attendance after 20 years of course period.

As per rules, the application for condonation shall reach the office of the Controller of Examinations 10 days before the commencement of Examinations.

On verification of the application, it is seen that the application is recommended and forwarded by the Principal and the shortage of attendance is within the condonable limit. The Principal has stated that the TC was issued to the candidate on 25.09.2009 and requested to do the needful to obtain Migration Certificate for further studies. The Migration application can only be processed after condoning the attendance shortage of second semester. It is also requested that the application for condonation in respect of Sri. Jose Vincent may be considered sympathatically as he is under cancer treatment.

In this the following may be noted.

Usually candidates apply for condonation during their period of study. Sometimes candidates who discontinue their course due to various reasons tend to apply for condonation later for obtaining course cancellation certificate or migration certificate. At present there is no specific rule prescribed for granting condonation for such candidates.

The Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the matter regarding the application for condonation of shortage of attendance in respect of Sri.Jose Vincent before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Exams.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to agree to the request of the Principal, considering the precedent.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.52.B2 Unitary Degree Course in Law (2011 Scheme) – 2011 to 2015 Admissions - Request for Mercy Chance Examination – reg.

(Ac.AIII)

Several requests have been received from the candidates of Unitary Degree course in Law (2011 to 2015 admissions; 2011 Scheme) who could not complete their course successfully within the time limit stipulated in the Regulations, for having another mercy chance to appear for the failed papers in the ensuing examinations.

The status of the mercy chance examinations sanctioned by the University to the candidates of Unitary Degree Course in Law (2011 to 2015 admissions; 2011 Scheme), obtained from the tabulation section concerned, is as follows.

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Sl No.	Course	Admission Batch	No of Mercy Chances Granted	Status		
1	Unitary Degree Course in Law	2011	3	<ol> <li>First two mercy chance examinations conducted &amp; results published.</li> <li>Examinations of all semesters of the third mercy chance examination sanctioned vide U.O No.         Ac.AIV/ 3245/2022/UOK Dated:27.04.2022 were conducted and results of all semesters published except S3.     </li> </ol>		
2		2012	4	1. First two mercy chance examinations conducted for all semesters & results published.  2. Examinations of all semesters of the third mercy chance examination sanctioned vide U.O No. Ac.AIV/ 3245/2022/UOK Dated: 27.04.2022 were conducted and results of all semesters published except S3.  3. Examinations of the Fourth mercy chance examination sanctioned vide U.O No. Ac AIII/ 5680/2022/UOK Dtd:23/07/2022 has not been conducted so far, meanwhile examinations of S1, S4 semesters are scheduled to start from September 2023.		
3	(2011 Scheme)	2013	2	1. First mercy examination conducted & results published. 2. Examinations of all semesters of the Second mercy chance examination sanctioned vide U.O No. Ac AIV/3245/ 2022/UOK Dated:27.04.2022conducted and results of all semesters published except S3.		
4		2014	2	1. First mercy examination conducted & results published. 2. Examinations of all semesters of the Second mercy chance examination sanctioned vide U.O No. Ac.AIV/3245/ 2022/UOK Dated:27.04.2022 were conducted and results of all semesters published except S3.		
5		2015	2	1. Examinations of all semesters of the First mercy chance examination sanctioned vide U.O No. Ac.AIV/ 3245/2022/UOK Dated:27.04.2022 were		

conducted and results of all semesters published except S3.
2. Examinations of the Second mercy chance
examination sanctioned vide U.O No. Ac AIII/ 5681/
2022/UOK Dtd:23/07/2022 has not been conducted
so far, meanwhile examinations of S1,S4 semesters
are scheduled to start from September 2023.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to grant one Mercy Chance subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.52.B3 Order of State Commission for Persons with Disabilities (SCPwD) on petition of Smt. Surya S. Jith seeking grace marks in the University examinations – Reg.

 $(EA\ I)$ 

Smt. Sulochana has submitted a petition before SCPwD regarding granting of grace marks to her daughter Smt. Surya S. Jith who has Multiple Disability of 55% (ie. Locomotor Disability: 40% & Intellectual Disability: 25%), and completed BA English from SN College for Women at Kollam. The SCPwD in its Order (OP [RpwD] No. 832/S4/2023 dt. 26-07-2023) pointed out on the following:

- a) Extending the existing provision to re-distribute grace marks for a pass in the Practical/ Viva/ Internal to the differently-abled candidates, as in the case of candidates getting grace marks for Sports/ Arts/ NCC are applied. Like wise, SCPwD has sought remarks regarding this matter for other candidates.
- b) Implementing the rightful provisions granted by the MG University in its order dt. 19-5-2023 for the differently-abled candidates in the Kerala University, as the RPwD Act-2016 envisages no discrimination between the differently-abled and ordinary persons as well as between the various categories of differently abled candidates.

As per existing rules, no grace mark can be granted to students who has any level of physically disability or has less than 40% intellectual disability/ hearing impairment or has less than 80% visual impairment. The contention of the petitioner is that since the MG University (MG) is granting grace marks for physical disabilities, KU also need to grant grace marks to her daughter.

At present the KU provides scribe and compensatory time (20 minutes per hour for answering each paper) to all candidates who has a minimum of 40% disability of any kind. For temporary disability (accident) cases either scribe or compensatory time is allowed.

The current mode of granting grace marks followed by the KU is that if an eligible candidate secures 10% of maximum mark of a subject, 25% of maximum mark is granted limiting to total of 60% of maximum mark. A concise tabulation of grace marks granted by the Kerala University and the MG University are as follows:

Type of Disability	Percentage of disability	y and grace marks (gm) granted
	Kerala University	MG University
Physical Disability	Nil	40-64.9% disability: 10% gm
a. Locomotor Disability		65-80.9% disability: 20% gm
b. Leprocy Cured Persons		81-100%disability:25% gm
c. Dwarfism		
d. Muscular Dystrophy		
e. Acid Attack Victims		
f.Cerebral Palsy	Min. 40% disability:	40-64.9% disability: 10% gm
	25% gm	65-80.9% disability: 20% gm
		81-100%disability:25% gm
Visual Impairment-	Min. 80% disability:	40-64.9% disability: 10% gm
Blindness & Low Vision	25% gm	65-80.9% disability: 20% gm
		81-100%disability: 25%gm
Speach& Language Disability	Nil	40-64.9% disability:10% gm

		65-80.9% disability: 20% gm
		81-100% disability:25% gm
Hearing Impairment	Min. 40% disability:	Min. 40%disability: 25%gm
a. Deaf	25% gm	Willi. 40 /edisability. 25 /egili
b. Hard of Hearing	Min. 40% disability:	40-64.9% disability:10% gm
b. Hard of Hearing	25% gm	65-80.9% disability: 20% gm
	25% giii	, ,
Continue in all and	NT:1	81-100% disability:25% gm
c. Cochlear implant	Nil	10% gm
Intellectual Disability	Min. 40% disability:	40-64.9 % disability:10 % gm
a.Specific Learning Disabilitity	25% gm	65-80.9 % disability: 20%gm
		81-100 % disability: 25% gm
b. Autism Spectrum Disorder	Min. 40% disability:	Min. 40% disability: 25% gm
c. Mental Retardation	25% gm	
e. Mental Illness	Min. 40% disability:	Mild: 10% gm
	25% gm	Moderate: 15% gm
		Severe : 25% gm
Disability caused due to	Nil	Min. 40% disability: 25%gm
1.Chronic Neurological Conditions		
a. Multiple Sclerosis		
b. Parkinson's disease		
2.Blood Disorder		
a. Haemophilia		
b. Thalassemia		
c. Sickle cell disease		
d. Wilson's disease		
Multiple Disabilities,	Nil	Min. 40% disability: 25%gm
Down Syndrome		, c
Cancer patients	Nil	10% gm
Organ transplantation/Organ	Nil	10% gm
donation during course period		
Jeuvenile Diabetes,	Nil	Compensatory Time
Epilepsy		

In addition to the above, a criteria need to be defined for granting gracemarks (such as, students whose disability hinder them from acquiring knowledge/ skills envisaged by the course) and scribe & compensatory time (such as, students whose disability prevents expressing knowledge/ skills acquired from the course) in order to avoid the argument of discrimination.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the order of State Commission for Persons with Disabilities (SCPwD) regarding granting of grace marks for the differently abled candidates and recommended that the existing norms in granting of grace marks be followed.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.52.B4 Request from Josefin Jose to conduct special examination for third Semester MCom, 2021 Admission – reg:

(EG.XI)

Sri. Josefin Jose is a student of St. Xavier's College, Thumba with candidate code 590 21 141 008. The candidate was absent for one paper of third semester MCom degree examination scheduled on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023 as he was representing Sports Authority of India (SAI) at an international exposure in football at Pretoria, South Africa. He attended a football training camp at the High Performance Centre at Pretoria in South Africa from 27<sup>th</sup> January 2023 to 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023. He has submitted copies of relevant documents from HPC, University of Pretoria and Sports Authority of India (SAI) in this regard. The candidate has submitted a request for arranging a special examination

for Strategic Cost and Management Accounting of third Semester MCom, the paper which he was not able to attend.

Ac.AIV section has clarified that the PG regulation does not have any provision regarding special examination. Clause 13.1 of PG regulations states that "students who fail to secure the minimum marks for a pass will be permitted to re appear for the ESA of the concerned semester along with the next regular batch of students". As the provision regarding special examination is not mentioned in PG regulation, it is a recommended that the matter may be placed before the standing committee on examination.

Sri. Josefin Jose has submitted a request for arranging a special examination for Strategic Cost and Management Accounting of third Semester M.Com.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to agree to the request considering the precedent.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.52.B5

Request for Liberal valuation for the subject 'ML1111.3 Gadyasahithyam', S1 Bcom Commerce and Tax Procedure and Practice Degree Examination, March 2023-reg.

(ES V)

A request has been received from a candidate for liberal valuation of the subject 'ML1111.3-Gadyasahithyam', S1 Bcom Tax Procedure and Practice Degree Examination, March 2023.

The candidate belongs to 2020 admission from SNGCAS College, Varkala and has applied for four papers namely 'Methodology & Perspectives of Business Education', 'Principle of Taxation', 'Managerial Economics' and 'Gadhyasahithyam' as supplementary in the First Semester Bcom Tax Procedure and Practice Degree Examination, March 2023 via offline Exam registration form after the last date of registration. Offline Application was accepted with penalty, but unintentional omission was occured while checking the availability of Question papers.

Though the question papers of 'Methodology & Perspectives of Business Education', 'Principle of Taxation' & 'Managerial Economics' were same for 2020 and 2021 admission onwards, it was not the same for the Additional Language paper 'Gadhyasahithyam', S1 March 2023. The question paper for Additional Language paper 'Gadhyasahithyam' for 2020 admission was not sent to the college due to the absence of candidates of 2020 admission except his registration which was registered later for the said subject.

The candidate has submitted a request forwarded by the Principal, SNGCAS Varkala, in which he pointed out that he was handed over the Question paper of Gadhyasahithyam for 2021 admission onwards in the Examination held on 15/03/2023. It is also stated that eventhough he enquired this matter to the Chief Superintendant of Examinations, he was insisted to continue the Examination with the question paper of 2021 admission onwards itself. Hence the candidate wrote the said Examination. Non-availablity of Question paper for 2020 admission was not reported to the University by the college authorities.

Remarks from Chairman, BoS Malayalam has been obtained regarding the syllabus change for the subject 'Gadhyasahithyam' in 2020 and 2021 admission. The Chairman has remarked that there is a syllabus change and recommended to conduct Re-Examination for the paper 'Gadhyasahithyam', S1 March 2023 to the said candidate.

The candidate has requested for Liberal valuation for the subject 'Gadhyasahithyam'. He has not cleared any semesters of the Bcom Tax Programme. S1 March 2023 Degree Examination is the Third Supplementary chance of the candidate and he has two more supplementary chances as per U.O. NO Ac.AIV/1/Uniform Span Period/2016 dated 15/07/2016.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended not to agree to the request and further recommended to conduct re-examination for the candidate. The committee also recommended that the Section Officer and Assistant of the section concerned be heard by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.52.B6 Extension of date for claiming grace mark – 2019 admission candidates – reg.

(CBCS BA I)

Sri. Syam Kumar K.R., Candidate Code: 145/19144017, University College, Thiruvananthapuram is eligible for grace marks of 1% each in the first & second semesters and 3% each for the third & fourth semesters as per letter no. 2002/G3/GM/NCC dated 25.05.2022 & 28.05.2022 forwarded from the Group Commander, NCC, Thiruvananthapuram. Orders were issued to grant the grace marks to the candidate on 18.06.2022 and was informed to the candidate accordingly. The candidate, now, has submitted the distribution of marks to be added in S1, S2, S3 & S4

As per the consolidated guidelines for awarding grace marks from the academic year 2013-2014, the student shall claim grace marks within one year after the end of the academic year but prior to the issue of Degree Certificate. Accordingly the 2019 admission student can claim for grace marks up to May 31<sup>st</sup> of 2023.

However, relaxations were given to different admission students for claiming grace marks as follows.

Sl. No.	Year of Last date for		Extended up to	
51. 140.	admission	claiming grace marks	Extended up to	
1.	2014	31.05.2018	20.03.2019	
2.	2015	31.05.2019	31.08.2019	
3.	2016	31.05.2020	31.12.2021 (On the wake of Covid - 19)	
4.	2017	31.05.2021	31.12.2021 (On the wake of Covid - 19)	
			31.12.2022	
5.	2018	31.05.2022	(Item No. 49.19.08 of the minutes of the	
			meeting of the Syndicate held on 08.12.2022)	

In this context, the matter of extension of date in respect of 2019 admission candidates may be considered for claiming grace marks upto 31.12.2023 as the revaluation/scrutiny results of the fourth semester August 2022, fifth semester December 2022 & sixth semester April 2023 (the improvement & first supplementary chances of the 2019 admission candidates) have yet to be updated completely.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended not to agree to the request and also recommended to follow the existing norms.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations along with the detailed report of the Controller of Examinations.

# Item No.06.52.B7 Non-compliance of Principal SNIT, Adoor to continue as Examination Centre of University Exams – reg.

(EE II M)

As per the U.O No. EK1/A/B.Tech/2019 dated 15/10/2019, the exam centers of B.Tech Supplementary exams were curtailed to sixteen centers consequent on delinking of B.Tech degree courses from University of Kerala. Out of the sixteen colleges, one of the colleges, i.e., SNIT, Adoor has forwarded an e-mail dated 12.11.2022 to EA I Section regarding their difficulty in conducting B.Tech Supplementary examination of University of Kerala. The Principal, SNIT, Adoor has informed that all their regular academic programs (Diploma, B.Tech, M.Tech and MBA) courses and examinations are in full swing, staff members are fully engaged and class room facilities are not enough for sparing for the supplementary exams of University of Kerala. A letter No. EAI/Uty.Exams/2023-'24 dated 28.01.2023 has been sent to Principal, SNIT, Adoor to continue as exam centre until alternative arrangements are made. But the Principal, again expressed their inconvenience to abide as exam centre via e-mail on 30.01.2023. As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter was placed before the Syndicate.

The Syndicate meeting held on 30.03.2023vide item no. 54.21.04 resolved not to consider the request. The resolution was intimated to the Principal, SNIT, Adoor vide letter No. EAI/SR/2023/1 dated 24.04.2023 from EA I Section.

In the meantime, examination of Third Semester B.Tech was scheduled from 25.04.2023 to 12.05.2023. But the college authorities have allowed all other registered exams except third Semester B.Tech exam, January 2023 (Applied Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering (413)-Programming in C++ and Data Structures, Computer Science and Engineering (415) – Electronic Circuits, Electronics and Communication Engineering (412) - Programming in C++ and Data Structures) scheduled on 10.05.2023. Thus three students could not attend the exam at SNIT, Adoor. These students submitted request to the Controller of Examination to re schedule the examination and the Controller of Examination ordered to seek explanation from the Principal regarding the nonconduct of exam on 10.05.2023. A letter in this regard was forwarded to the Principal, SNIT Adoor on 26/05/2023 and 16/06/2023.

In response to this, the Principal, SNIT, Adoor forwarded a letter in which it is stated that the institution has repeatedly brought to notice that they are not able to serve as an Exam Centre because of lack of sufficient facilities and staff for the conduct of B.Tech Supplementary exams and requested to take necessary steps to find alternate arrangements.

When the matter was put up for further orders, the Controller of Examinations remarked that the explanation sought from the Principal was not sufficient and at the same time blaming the University for the lapse. In this context the Controller of Examinations suggested the following:

- a) to hear the Principal and
- b) to conduct special examination for the candidates after levying the expenses from the College for the above.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to conduct re-examination for the candidates, permitting them to write these examinations at the centre nearest to SNIT, Adoor conducting BTech Examinations. The Committee further recommended that an amount of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) be recovered from the college as the expense to be incurred in connection with the conduct of re-examination.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.52.B8 Notional Registration to candidates of regular courses other than First Degree Programmes under CBCS System – Consideration – reg.

M&C D

The provision relating to Notional Registration to the candidates who could not register for the End Semester Evaluation of the 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> semesters of First Degree Programmes under CBCS System subject to prescribed conditions was granted vide U.O. No. Ac.A.V/ 1/Not. Regn./ 2011 dated 17.08.2013 (U.O. appended).

Clarifications were sought from various sections regarding Notional Registration on the below points:

- 1. Whether the U.O. regarding Notional Registration to candidates of 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> semesters under CBCS System can be made applicable to other regular courses of the University.
- 2. Whether the benefit of Notional Registration can be extended to candidates of end semesters (Final Semester/ Final Year) who have the requisite attendance and are otherwise eligible, exclusively for enabling course completion.

Recommendations: The Committee recommended that the item be withdrawn.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.52.B9 Request from Sri. Arun Mohan A, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Commerce, St. Gregorios College-Exemption from valuation duty- reg.

(EB IV)

A request from Sri. Arun Mohan A, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, St. Gregorios College, Kottarakkara, was received for exempting him from the answerscript valuation duty. He has undergone a surgery, as his cervical disc protruded. One of his cervical disc was replaced with a titanium plate.

He states that it has affected his neck's flexibility to a certain extend and his three cervical discs have also bulged which may protrude in future.

Inorder to avoid the situation in future, the doctors have advised him not to do any sort of activities that can cause pressure to the cervical portion. As valuation is a duty which exerts pressure on the neck, he requests to exempt him from the duty.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended Sri. Arun Mohan A., Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, St. GregoriosCollege, Kottarakkara be heard by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

## Item No.06.52.B10 Maternity Leave for Female students of the University - clarifications-reg.

(Ac.AV)

The Government of Kerala have issued a GO (Ms) no.33./2023/HEDN dated 19.01.2023, granting special menstrual leave for female students in all Universities of the State and fixing the limit of attendance for female students to 73% including the menstrual leave and also, allowing maternity leave for students above the age of 18 years.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.02.2023 resolved to implement the Government order in the University and further resolved that if the student avail maternity leave upto six months, the student shall rejoin the college without taking readmission and also resolved to entrust the Principal to verify the medical records of the candidate and permit to rejoin the college without taking approval from the University. UO No. 2040/2023/UOK dated 02.03.2023 was issued in this regard.

But, clarification has been sought from tabulation sections on the following matters related to granting of Maternity leave in r/o students availing such leave.

Whether the six months' maternity leave can be granted at anytime during the pregnancy period, in the context that the candidate avails the leave in piecemeals whether the candidate becomes eligible to register for exams even if she has not acquired enough attendance on account of maternity leave/ whether the period be condoned for attendance shortage.

Rules to be followed with regard to the maternity leave application and the internal exams/ Continuous evaluation conducted during the maternity leave period,ie whether tests be conducted for Continuous Evaluation for those candidates who have missed the tests, along with the CE/Practicals for subsequent semesters or a special exam be conducted for the same.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to entrust Dr.P.M.Radhamany, Member Syndicate to study the matter regarding the rules to be followed in granting maternity leave for students above the age of 18 years in detail and submit a report before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

#### Item No.06.52.B11 Request for Mercy chance examination - M.L.I.Sc. (SDE)-reg:-

(Ac.AII)

The failed candidates of M.L.I.Sc Degree Programme (2017 admission) under SDE have requested for mercy chance examinations. As per the UO related to Uniform Span Period, the maximum duration for completing a programme is restricted to Y+2 years for annual programmes and S+4 semesters for semester programmes. The UO was came into effect from 2016-2017 admission onwards

M.L.I.Sc. is a one year (2 semesters) programme, and the eligible chance for failed candidates of 2017 admission has expired.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to grant one last Mercy Chance subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.52.B12 Granting of Mercy Chance to candidates of BPA degree course from 2004 to 2009 admissions-reg.

(AcAIV)

The candidates of BPA degree programme s of various admissions from 2004 to 2009 submitted a request for granting mercy chance.

As per U.O. No. AcAII/2/38394/2022/UOK dated 23/09/2022, the applications for Mercy Chance Examination submitted by the candidates from the academic year 2000-2001 onwards shall be considered on a case-by-case basis.

The University of Kerala has discontinued the BPA (Annual) (Regular) course from 2011 admission onwards consequent to the introduction of First Degree Programme under CBCSS.

As per U.O. No.AcAIV/3/08.71.14/2019 dated 25/05/2019, One Mercy Chance examination to the candidates upto 2010 admissions for BPA degree course (annual scheme) and permission to redo the internal, if any as a special case. The tabulation section section verified and remarked that according to U.O. No.AcAIV/3/08.71.14/2019 dated 25/05/2019. Mercy chance exam had been conducted and the results were published.

As per the remarks from tabulation section, it may be noted that, these candidates were given supplementary chances twice a year (in April & September) until mercy chance was granted upt o 2015. Also, two mercy chance exams were conducted to BPA candidates in April 2017 (for 2007, 2008, and 2009 admns) and in April 2019 upto 2010 admissions.

The Syndicate held on 09/06/2023 considered the matter regarding granting mercy chance candidates of BPA degree programmes from 2004 to 2009 admissions vide item no.58.56.01 and resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations (held on 05/06/2023) to defer the matter for the time being. The Vice Chancellor has ordered to implement the same.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to grant one last Mercy Chance to the candidates of BPA degree course from 2004 to 2009 admission subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.52.B13 Request of Smt. Riya Geevarghese for conducting Special Examination for Vth Semester December 2022 CBCS B.Sc Botany Practical-reg.

(CBCS BSc II)

Smt. Riya Geevarghese with Candidate code: 24520132010 from S N College, Kollam has submitted a request for conducting special examination for 5th semester BSc Degree Examination forwarded by the Principal S N College, Kollam. The candidate could not attend one of the two lab examinations of 5<sup>th</sup> Semester examination December 2022. She could not attend the practical paper (Lab) BO 1545: Microbiology, Phycology, Micology (Practical Botany II) held on 20/01/2023 due to health issues and copy of medical certificate dated 28/01/2023 which shows the candidate was admitted to hospital from 19/01/2023.

Dr. Sudha Bai R, Chairman, S5 BSc Botany, Board of Examiners— December 2022 considered the same and expressed her displeasure to conduct special examination for Practical due to the fact that the same shall create an alarming situation in future years where the Chairman of various Science streams will have to arrange practical re examinations every year. The Chairman has also demanded an University Order to conduct the special examination to initiate the same. The remarks of the Chairman was considered by the Honourable Vice-Chancellor and ordered to permit the candidate to attend the examination if the same examination is conducted anywhere else. But no other candidate

from any other institutions registered for the same paper. Hence the candidate's application was rejected and memo intimating the same was issued vide CBCS BSc II/SE/2023 dated 13.04.2023.

At Present, Smt. Riya Geevarghese has again submitted request to conduct the special examination and was considered by the Honourable Vice-Chancellor and ordered to place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations for consideration.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended not to agree to the request of the candidate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.52.B14

Correction in Practical Mark Sheet of BO 1432 of S4 BSc Degree Examination August 2022 - Request submitted by Examiners after the publication of results –reg.

(CBCSS B.Sc. VI)

After the publication of results of S4 BSc Degree Examination August 2022, the Examiners, Dr. Sruthy K Pillai & Shabnam A, Assistant Professors of MSM College, Kayamkulam, have submitted a request for correction along with corrected Practical Mark Sheets BO 1432 in respect of the candidates of KSMDB College Sasthamcotta& Iqbal College, Peringammala respectively.

Details of the marks awarded originally and changes requested are as follows.

S1.	College of the Candidate.	Subject, Original Mark	Change of Marks	Examiners.
No.		& Result Status.	Requested	
1.	Candidate Code: 25020104030	BO 1432 – 23 (Failed)	40	Dr. Sruthy K
	KSMDB College,		(Passed)	Pillai
	Sasthamcotta			
2.	Candidate Code:	BO 1432 – 65 (Passed)	75	Shabnam A
	25020113006,		(Passed)	
	Iqbal College, Peringammala			

In the first case, the candidate secured '23' marks for practical and '17' marks for records and on totaling it is '40' marks but the examiner mistakenly written as '23'. In the second case the marksheet produced at first showed that the candidate secured '47' & '18' for practical and records respectively. But in the corrected marksheet, the marks of practical corrected as '57' which changes the total to '75'.

The result of Fourth Semester BSc Degree Examination August 2022 was published on 20/03/2023 but the corrected mark sheets were submitted on 23/3/2023 in the section after publication of result. The Examiners have also submitted clarification letters forwarded by the Chairman, seeking apology for the mistakes. The corrected mark sheets were countersigned by the Chairman, Board of Examiners concerned.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09/06/2023 vide item no. 58.56.11 resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Examinations to seek explanation from the examiners regarding the belated submission of corrected practical marks awarded to the candidate after publication of result. Further resolved that appropriate decision on the matter of accepting the corrected marks shall be made only after examining the explanation (Item No. 58.56.11). The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has ordered to implement the above resolution of the Syndicate.

Accordingly Dr. Sruthy K Pillai vide her explanation dated 22/07/2023 conveyed that during that time she was under mental and emotional stress as one of her twin babies was undergoing clinical examinations for a surgery. She expressed her guilt and assured that the mistake will not be repeated in future.

Similarly, Smt. Shabnam A has submitted explanation vide letter dated 22/07/2023, that the mistake happened in mark entry was identified by her only after the publication of results, through an unofficial call received from the teachers of Iqbal College, Peringammala regarding the marks obtained by a candidate which is lesser than expected. Also explained that she has been facing the difficulties of Fibromyalgia like brain fogging, unexpected lowering of sugar and BP level along with

severe muscle pain and been under treatment for the last three years (medical certificate also appended) She further states that the mistake happened accidentally and not because of any negligence and will be more vigilant in future.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and examined the explanations and the supporting documents submitted by the examiners concerned and recommended the following:

- 1) to accept the revised practical mark of the candidate (candidate code 25020104030), since there occurred a clerical mistake from the part of the examiner in totaling the mark and further recommended to issue a strict warning to the examiner instructing that she should be more vigilant while preparing practical mark list in future.
- 2) to hear Smt. Shabnam A., Assistant Professor, MSM College, Kayamkulam by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.52.B15

Request for exemption from valuation of answer scripts & examination duties in r/o Smt. Sangeetha E.L, Assistant Professor, KSMDB College, Sasthamcotta-reg.

(EB V)

A request was forwarded by the Principal, KSMDB College, Sasthamcotta in respect of Smt. Sangeetha E L, Assistant Professor in Malayalam for exemption from valuation of answer scripts & examination duties due to Physical disability.

A request from Sri PremjithM.R , Assistant Professor, Dept of English, Bishop Moore College for granting 50% concession in valuation of answer scripts, being a differently abled person was considered by the Syndicate. Further the U.O No. M&C I.1/2063/2022 dated 30.08.2022 was issued granting the same. Also Sri Aneesh S, Assistant Professor, University College, Trivandrum was exempted from all valuation camps for 2 years on his request and on the strength of Medical Report (U.O No: M&C I.2/2084/2023 dated 18/03/2023). However there is no general rule in Examination Manual which allows to exempt an examiner from valuation permanently.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended that Smt.Sangeetha E.L., Assistant Professor, KSMDB College, Sasthamkotta be heard by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.52.B16

Receipt of Answerbooks in respect of two candidates for Second Semester B.Sc Biochemistry & Industrial Microbiology Degree Examination, September 2022 – One year after the conduct of Examination – reg:-

(ES VIII)

The result of Second Semester B.Sc Biochemistry and Industrial Microbiology Degree Examination, September 2022 was published on 19.07.2023. The counterfoils bearing candidate codes 24820107022 and 24820107025 from Govt. College for Women, Vazhuthacaud for the paper FR 1211.3: Business French (QP Code: P 1432) has not been received in the section at the time of publication of result.

The matter was enquired with the PCVC Section whether the answer scripts has been received or not. PCVC Section remarked that the bundles received from Govt. College for Women, Vazhuthacaud with QP Code P 1432 does not have the answerscripts bearing candidates codes 24820107022 and 24820107025. ie, both the answerscripts have not been forwarded to the University for valuation.

Further, a letter dated 03.08.2023 has been forwarded to the Principal, Govt. College for women, Vazhuthacaud seeking clarification regarding collection of above mentioned answerscripts. On receipt of this letter, Principal has forwarded the said answerscripts to the CD Unit on 23.08.2023

ie, one year after the conduct of Examination. In the covering letter Principal states that the candidates have written the examination without the presentation of a valid hallticket or substantiation of fee payment.

In addition to the above, the following facts may also be noted.

- 1) The examination was conducted on 26.09.2022, but the college has despatched the answerscripts on 23.08.2023 ie, one year after the Examinations were conducted.
- 2) The candidate with register number 24820107022 has registered for 4 papers and only one paper has not been despatched to the University for valuation. Also for the candidate with register number 24820107025 who registered for 3 papers only one paper has not been despatched to the University for valuation.
- 3) On verification by the section, it is found that the Second Semester B.Sc Biochemistry & Industrial Microbiology Degree Examination, September 2022 Exam registration for these candidates were done through offline mode. The hall ticket bearing candidate codes 24820107022 and 24820107025 were uploaded on 29.09.2022 and 07.10.2022 respectively which has been confirmed by the KUCC. The Principal has failed to check the receipt of halltickets subsequently.
- 4) Normally the University after the inception of offline exam registration application from the candidates, will register and upload/e-mail the halltickets to the Principal and never issue the halltickets directly to any regular study candidates even when they appear for improvement/ supplementary examination.
- 5) Due to urgency regarding admission, the candidate with register number 24820107022 has requested to cancel the papers FR 1211.3-Business French and IM 1222 Microbial Taxonomy which has been registered as improvement chance in Second Semester September 2022 and to publish the result. As per the orders of the CE, the improvement papers have been cancelled and the result of the candidate has been published. Provisional Certificate and Consolidated Marklist has been also issued to the candidate. The candidate with register number 24820107025 has arrears in all the six semesters except First and Fifth Semester.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to conduct re-examination for the candidates and further recommended that the Chief Superintendent, Government College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram be heard by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.52.B17 KSMDB College, Sasthamcottah - S6 BA CBCS Exam April 2023- Request for correction of CE mark entry – reg.

(CBCS BA VII)

The Principal, KSMDB College, Sasthamcottah, Kollam has forwarded a request of HOD – Political Science, KSMDB College for the correction of internal mark entry of the candidate Ajith S-14520104002 in S6 April 2023. The Principal has forwarded the corrected CE mark in r/o Ajith S, 14520104002, a regular candidate, vide letter dated 27/05/2023 whereas the result of S6 April 2023 examinations have already been published on 25/05/2023.

As in the case of wrong entry of CE mark from a College, a grace period of 10 days is permitted for correction from the last date given for uploading of CEmark without penalty. Before the publication of result, Rs 105/- is imposed as per the U.O No. M&C 1.2/1988/2021 dtd 22/01/2021. Here the wrong entry is reported after the publication of results.

In the request letter, it is stated that the HOD recently discovered a mistake in the entry of internal mark of Ajith S for the paper "PS1642 – State and Society in Kerala" in S6 April - 2023 examiation entering it as '1' instead of '18'.

It is requested to take steps to rectify the error, in the sixth semester April 2023 internal mark before publishing the second semester (supplementary) result of the candidate. However the result of S2 BA CBCS Examination September 2022 was published on 19/07/2023, the candidate had passed

second semester and accordingly cleared all the semesters except that of the case in consideration ie; low CE mark for PS 1642 of S6 BA CBCS Examination April 2023.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to hear the Tutor, HOD and the Principal concerned of KSMDB College, Sasthamkotta, Kollam with all relevant documents pertaining to the erroneous uploading of internal mark of the above candidate by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.52.B18 Requests for Mercy Chance Examination from students of various UG and PG courses – reg.

(Ac.AIV)

Requests for Mercy Chance had been received from various courses that comes under the urview of Ac.AIV Section. The details are listed below.

	rview of Ac.AIV Section. The details are listed below.				
Sl	Name of Course	Year of	Remarks from the Tabulation section concerned		
No.		Admission	regarding the mercy chance examinations		
			conducted/ notified.		
1.	B.Com	2004	September 2010		
			April 2012		
			September 2013		
			September 2015		
			December 2017		
			November 2019		
		2009	Nil		
		2000	September 2010		
			April 2012		
İ			September 2013		
			September 2015		
			December 2017		
			November 2019		
		2006	Nil		
		2005	September 2010		
			April 2012		
			September 2013		
			September 2015		
			December 2017		
			November 2019		
		2003	September 2010		
			April 2012		
			September 2013		
			September 2015		
			December 2017		
			November 2019		
		1997	September 2010		
			April 2012		
			September 2013		
			September 2015		
			December 2017		
			November 2019		
		2017	Nil		
		2016	2006 Scheme- Examination April 2022		
		1995	Nil		
		2018	Nil		

		2014	Nil
		2016	Nil
		1996 (2006	Nil
		scheme)	
		2018	Nil
		2001	Nil
		2006 scheme	Nil
		B.Com 2010	
		SDE onwards	June 2022 result published on 19.01.2023
	B.Com (private)	2017	Nil
	B.Com (SDE)	2017	Nil
	B.Com (HI)	2015	Nil
2.	M.Com	2008	No details have been received from the section till
			date
		2017	No details have been received from the section till
			date
		1997	
3.	B.Sc Mathematics	2005	No details have been received from the section till
			date
	B.Sc Mathematics	2009 to 2017	
	(Annual Scheme-		
	SDE)		
	B.Sc Mathematics	2006	
	(Annual Scheme-		
	SDE)	2010	
4.	M.Sc. Computer	2018	No details have been received from the section till
	Science	2012	date
		2012	
		2017	
		2011 scheme 2011	No details have been received from the section till
		2011	date
		2016	uate
	M.Sc. Computer		
	Science (SDE)	2018	
5.	B.Sc. Biotechnology	2009	No details have been received from the section till
<i>J</i> .	D.Sc. Dioteciniology	2007	date
		2007	No details have been received from the section till
		,	date
6.	B.Sc. Electronics	2005	upto 2008 admns for S2,S4,S4 one mercy chance was
			conducted and result published.
		2008	•
7	B.Sc. Computer	2002	No details have been received from the section till
	Science		date
		2005	No details have been received from the section till
			date
		2007	No details have been received from the section till
			date
		2009	No details have been received from the section till
			date
		2006	
	B.Sc. Computer	2001-2013	January/ February 2021 and result published in October
	Science (SDE)	ADMNS	2021

	B.Sc. Computer Science (SDE)	2010 to 2014	Examination started on 20.03.2023
	B.Sc. Computer Science (HI)	2015	
	B.Sc. Computer Science (IDE)	2001	
8	MCA	2011	1) S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, - Result published on 05.09.2019 2) S1- Result published on 24.08.2022 3) S3- Result published on 08.08.2022. 4) s1, s2 S3, S4, S5- Examination completed on 27.01.2023, valuation not started.
		2015	s1, s2 S3, S4, S5- Examination completed on 27.01.2023, valuation not started.
		2014	
		2013	
9	MBA	2015	2014 Scheme- (2014 - 2017 Admn) - Examinations conducted and valuation going on. S3 also Notified and Exams were started on 09.03.2023
		2012	2009 Scheme - (2010 to 2013 admn) and 2014 Scheme - (2014 - 2017 Admn) - One mercy chance
		2002	Examination conducted and valuation going on.
		2002	2000-2008 Admns- S1, S2, S3, S4, S5 (2000, 2003, & 2006 Schemes) - Examination-Sep/Oct/ NOv 2019 -
			Result published in 30.06.2020
		2009	2009 Scheme- (2009-2013 Admn)- Examination Sep/
			Oct/ NOv 2019 - Result published in 30.06.2020 - for S1, S2, S3, S4
			For 2000, 2003, 2006 Schemes one mercy Chance had
			been conducted for all semesters and result published.
			For 2009 Schemes 2 Mercy chances had been granted.
		2014	
		2018	
		2010	
	MBA (SDE)	2018	
1.0	MBA (part time)	2009	
10	BHM/BHMCT	2008	2 Chances
			S2- Sep 2018
			s5- July 2018
			S6- July 2018 S7- January 2018
			S8- July 2018
		2007	2 Chances
		2007	S2- Sep 2018
			s5- July 2018
			S6- July 2018
			S7- January 2018
			S8- July 2018
		2011	
		2006 Scheme	S1- July 2020
			S2- Dec 2020
			S3- April 2020
			s4- Dec 2020
			S5- Aug 2021

			S6- Feb 2021
			S7- May 2021
-			S8- Oct 2020
		2013	
		2012	
11	B.Com Computer Application	2013	No details have been received from the section till date
		2001	
12	B.Com HI	2017	Nil
13	BBA	2013	Notification
			S1- on 28.07.2021 & 9/6/2022
			S2- on 2/08/2022 &10.08.2020
			S3- on 31/11/2022 & 6/1/2021
			S4- on 5/4/2021 & 27/6/2022
			S5- on 20/10/2022 & 21/1/2021
			S6- on 2/3/2020
		2005	30- 011 2/3/2020
		2005	01/02/2022
		2017	S6- on 01/03/2023
		1997	Nil
		2008	Notified S1,S2, S3, S4, S5 & S6 ON 2/09/2022
		2007	
		2005	
	DDA (D. )		Examination started on 15.03.2023
	BBA (Prvt.		(Prvt. Registration- Annual Scheme)
	Registration -	2016	S1 to S6- Examination Feb 2022 and result published
	Annual Scheme)		on 18.05.2022
	BBA (Prvt.	2010	
	Registration)	2018	
	BBA (SDE)	2013	RESULT PUBLISHED 18.5.2022
14	B.A Mass	2008	S2, S4 and S6 Notified.
	Communication and		S2 Nov 2019 has been conducted and published the
	Video Production		result.
15	B.Sc. Industrial	2009	S1, S2, S4 and S6 Mercy chance examinations were
13	Chemistry	2009	conducted upto 2009 admissions.
	Chemistry	2008	S1, S2, S4 and S6 Mercy chance examinations were
		2008	
16	BCA	Prior to 2013	conducted upto 2009 admissions.  No details have been received from the section till
16	DCA		
		Admn	date
		2004	No details have been received from the section till
		2012	date
		2012	
	BCA(SDE)	2001-2013	January/ February 2021 and result published in October
	. ,	ADMNS	2021
	BCA(SDE)	2010-2014	Examination started on 20.03.2023
	BCA(IDE)	2004	
17	B.Sc. Botany and	2008	S2, S4, S6 Mercy chance upto 2008 admissions -
	Biotechnology		Notified on Nov 2019, Aug 2019 and July 2019
			respectively.
	B.Sc. Botany and	2009	
	Biotechnology		
	(Restructured)		
18	B.Sc. Biochemistry	2008	S2, S4, S6 Mercy chance upto 2008 admissions -
	and Industrial		Notified on Oct 2019, Aug 2019 and July 2019
	and madelial	<u> </u>	Troution out Oct 2017, thug 2017 und July 2017

	Microbiology		respectively.
19	B.A English	2016	
	Language and	2009	No details have been received from the section till
	Literature		date
	B.A Annual	2016	One chance-August/September 2022
20	M.A Music (Veena)	2016	
21	M.Sc Physics	2018	
22	B.P Ed (4 year	2013 (2011	
	integrated course)	scheme)	
23	BFA	2018	
	BFA (HI)	2011-2015	

The Syndicate held on 09.06.2023 considered the request for mercy chance Examination from students of various UG and PG courses vide item no.58.56.18 and resolved to approve the recommendation of the standing committee of the syndicate on examinations to defer the item for the time being. In the meanwhile, a lot of mercy chance requests received in the section have been incorporated in the above table.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter of granting Mercy Chance to the above courses and observed that Mercy Chance was already granted to some of the above courses by the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023. Hence the Committee recommended to grant one last Mercy Chance to the candidates of 2000 admission onwards of the following courses whose permissible chance now stands expired, subject to reporting to the Academic Council:

B.A/ B.Sc/ B.Com/ BBA/ BCA (All Restructured/Vocational Courses), BBA (Private/ SDE), BCA (SDE), BSc.Computer Science (HI)/ BCom (HI)/ BFA (HI), MCA, MBA (Regular/ SDE/Part-Time), BHM/BHMCT, BPEd, BFA.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.52.B19

Minutes of the Meeting – Payment of remuneration to the administrative staff posted in the valuation camp of B.Tech Degree Examinations of University College of Engineering Kariavattom – Clarification – Consideration - reg:-

(M&C I)

A meeting was convened by the Controller of Examinations on 12.09.2023 in order to discuss the pending payment of remuneration to the administrative staff posted in the valuation camp of University College of Engineering Kariavattom in the light of the objections raised by the Audit Section for disbursing the payment of remuneration as per the U.O. No. M&C.1.1/2021/2021 dated 21.10.2021 (Minutes appended).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the Minutes of the meeting convened by the Controller of Examinations on 12.09.2023 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations for consideration.

# <u>Minutes of the meeting in connection with the payment of remuneration to the administrative staff posted in the valuation camp of B.Tech Degree Examination – </u>

<u>University College of Engineering Kariavattom</u>
Date & Time : 12.09.2023; 11.00 a.m

Venue : Office of the CE

## Officers Present

• Prof. (Dr.) N. Gopakumar Controller of Examinations

• Sri. R. Mahadevan Finance Officer

• Sri. Hiran G Joint Registrar, Finance

Smt. Amruthakumari P V
 Smt. Anitha M S
 Smt. Sindhu O
 DR EB & M&C
 AR, Audit IV
 AR, Exams (B. Tech)

• Smt. Anitha Moly John SO, Audit IV(a)

• Smt. Lekshmi P

SO, EE II H

The Meeting commenced at 11:00 am.

The meeting was conducted in order to discuss the pending payment of remuneration to the administrative staff posted in the valuation camp of B. Tech Degree Examinations of UCEK in the light of the objections raised by the Audit section for disbursing the payment of remuneration as per the order No.M&C.1.1/2021/2021 dated 21.10.2021.

The meeting analysed the existing U.O in detail and observed the practical difficulties in disbursing the payment of remuneration as per the existing U.O. The meeting observed that as per the existing U.O, the payment of remuneration can only be processed if the odd/even semester camps have same AO and staff, which is not possible as there may be chances of promotion/ transfer/ retirement.

The meeting observed that the existing U.O be revised considering the strenuous nature of work due to possible hike in the number of candidates and change in schemes in respect of UCEK, over time.

Meanwhile, the Audit wing remarked that the administrative staff posted in the valuation camp of B. Tech Degree examinations except that of UCEK were being paid an allowance of 30 days DA, as per U.O. No. M&C.1.2/1916/2019 dated 03.09.2019. This will cause extra financial burden to the University since the number of candidates appearing for the examinations of 2008 & 2013 schemes (mercy/supplementary) of B.Tech Degree course are very less.

The meeting also noted that the false numbering of the answerscripts are currently being done by the tabulation sections itself.

In the above context, the meeting recommended that the existing U.Os be revised as follows:

1. Payment of allowance for each administrative staff posted in the valuation camp of B.Tech Degree examinations of UCEK may be prepared based on the number of answerscripts for each individual camp as follows:

Number of answerbooks	Number of days to be sanctioned for granting allowance
Below 1000	7days
1000-2000	10 days
Above 2000	13 days

The meeting recommended that this may be made applicable to the valuation camps of UCEK, constituted after 17.08.2021.

2. The meeting in addition to the above recommendation suggested to fix the allowance paid to each administrative staff posted in the valuation camp of B.Tech Degree examinations other than that of UCEK based on the number of answer scripts as follows.

Number of answerbooks	Number of days to be sanctioned for granting allowance
Below 1000	5days
1000-2000	8days
Above 2000	10days

The meeting came to an end at 12:00 Noon.

Recommendations: The Committee considered the above matter and recommended to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 06.11.2023, be approved.

#### Item No. 06.52.C1

UG/PG/B.Ed Admission 2023 - Requests received from the candidates and the Principals of various colleges- to provide admission after the closure date- for the Academic year 2023-24- reg.

[Ac.BII/Ac.H]

The admission procedures for various UG and PG programmes for the academic year 2023-24 were closed on 03.10.2023 and 13.10.2023 respectively.

Several requests have been received from the candidates listed below, after the closure of UG and PG Admissions.

• Ayush Pandey, (Appln No.801262) – SN College, Chempazhanthy.

In the request it has been stated that the candidate was manually admitted in B.Com course under sports quota as per the University order dated 30/09/2023. But it was noticed that the applicant had not remitted the University fees before the closure of the admission and hence the College authorities could not admit the candidate in the admission portal. Hence it is requested to permit the candidate to remit the University admission fees and regularize the admission.

• Ebina K A, (Appl No.337180) - University College, TVPM

In the request it has been stated that the candidate got admission under Sports Hostel seat in University College, TVPM, for BA Political science. But she could not pay the University admission fees before the closure of the admission. Hence it is requested to permit the candidate to remit the University admission fees and regularize the admission.

• Ardra P, (Appl No. 353923), Govt. College for Women, TVPM.

In the request it has been stated that Ardra P got admission in Govt College for Women, Vazhuthacaud, for BSc Physics during spot allotment. The candidate couldn't submit her TC on 03.10.2023 as she was doing a professional course. Hence it is requested to grant time for submitting TC and regularize the admission in Govt College for Women, Vazhuthacaud for BSc Physics.

• Abhimanyu S R, (Appl No.406093), SN College, Cherthala.

In the request it has been stated that the candidate got admission in SN College, Cherthala, for MSc Physics, during spot allotment. Since the candidate got TC only on 16.10.2023 he could not take admission on 13.10.2023. Hence it is requested to permit the candidate to take the admission on SN College, Cherthala, for MSc Physics.

• Request from the Principal SN College, Chempazhanthy – in order to admit AdwaithA R, (Appln. No.333643), Amal Krishna G, (Appln. No.300366).

In the request it has been stated that the above candidates took admission in Management quota but did not remit the University admission fees before the closure of admission. Hence it is requested to permit the candidates to remit the University admission fees and regularize the admission.

• Request from the Principal, Emmanuel College of Arts and Science College, Vazhichal - Anagha Suresh – (Appl No.409284).

In the request it has been stated that the above candidate took admission in Management quota but she did not remit the University admission fees before the closure of admission. Hence it is requested to permit the candidate to remit the University admission fees and regularize the admission.

• Request from the Principal National College, Ambalathara - Akhil MP (SC Candidate)

In the request it has been stated that Akhil MP (SC Candidate) took admission in Management quota but did not remit the University admission fees. Hence it is requested to permit the candidate to remit the University admission fees and regularize the admission.

• Request from the Principal National College, Ambalathara.

In the request it has been stated that college has almost 98 vacant seats in Management quota for all subjects and requested for permission to admit 26 candidates (both registered and fresh applicants) in the vacant management seats.

• Request from Risanamol S.R- Differently Abled candidate- No Registration-Admission to BA English at Mar Thoma College, Ayur.

In the request it has been stated that the candidate (Differently Abled) needs admission to BA English course at Mar Thoma College, Ayur. The candidate was not able to do the online registration before the closure date.

• Request from Aswathy S.S - MA Sociology- Management Quota Admission in Loyola College, Sreekaryam.

In the request it has been requested to permit the candidate to join the MA Sociology programme under Management Quota in Loyola College of Social Sciences, Sreekaryam as one vacancy exists in the College.

• Similar requests have been received from UIT Mannancherry, MGM College, Kaniyapuram and UIT Pathiyoor for the permission to admit the candidates (fresh applicants) in the vacant merit seats.

Several other requests are received which can be categorized as below

- 1. Permission to allow Course/ College change for those who are already admitted in any of the Colleges.
- 2. Permission to remit the University Admission Fees to those candidates who have failed to remit the same before the closure of admissions and are already admitted by the Colleges manually.
- 3. Permission to admit the candidates who have paid University Admission Fees after the Closure of admission in order to get admission for B.Ed programmes under Management Quota.
- 4. Permission to get admission in the vacant seats of the Colleges for those who have registered already.
- 5. Permission to get admission in the vacant seats of the Colleges for those who have NO registration.
- 6. Permission to provide extension in submitting Transfer Certificate (TC) / any other relevant certificates in order to get admission in the allotted College.

As per the orders of the Vice- Chancellor the matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

Recommendation: The committee considered the matter and recommended that the item be referred to the Syndicate.

Meeting came to an end at 04.00 p.m.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to permit those candidates who got admission under sports quota as per the University order shall remit the University admission fees and the admission be regularized accordingly.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to permit those candidates who got admission but could not remit the University admission fees before the closure of admission shall remit the University admission fees and the admission be regularized accordingly.

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#### Item No.06.53

Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate - Approval of- reg.

(Ad.AVI)

The Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and approval.

In view of the urgency, the Vice-Chancellor has approved the recommendation in Additional Item No.1 in the minutes, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the recommendation in Additional Item No.1 in the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023 is reported to the Syndicate and the recommendation on remaining items in the said minutes is placed before the Syndicate for approval.

## Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance

Date & Time : 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023, 02.00 p.m. Venue : Syndicate Room, University Buildings

## **Members Present**

- 1. Adv Muralidharan Pillai G (Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate)
- 2. Dr. K. G. Gopchandran (Member, Syndicate)
- 3. Prof. Dr. P M Radhamony (Member, Syndicate)
- 4. Dr.Shijukhan J S (Member, Syndicate)
- 5. Dr.S Jayan (Member, Syndicate)
- 6. Sri. R Rajesh (Member, Syndicate)

## Item No.06.53.01

Women's Hostel Thycaud - release of salary to contract staff for the days when hostel was closed for maintenance - hearing Warden & AO - reg:

(Ad DII)

Sanction has been accorded by the Registrar to close the Women's hostel, Thycaud for annual maintenance from 05.05.2023 to 13.05.2023.

The Audit V section sought clarification, whether salary is admissible to the contract

employees (Warden -1, Resident Nurse -1, Matrons -4 and Resident Cook -2) during the above period.

The Administrative Officer, Women's hostel Thycaud reported that during maintenance work (maintenance of kitchen and repairing of the drainage duct) from 05.05.2023 to 13.05.2023 Warden, Matrons and Resident Nurse attended duty according to their turn.

Date	Name of person Present
05.05.2023	Shylaja K (Warden)
06.05.2023	Sandhya S (Matron)
07.05.2023	Sunday
08.05.2023	Priya S (Resident Nurse)
09.05.2023	Soumya S (Matron)
10.05.2023	Sandhya S (Matron)
11.05.2023	Sandhya S (Matron), Shylaja K (Warden)
12.05.2023	Bindu V A (Matron), Shylaja K (Warden)
13.05.2023	Letha P S (Matron), Shylaja K (Warden)

It is also reported that Resident cooks were not present since there were no inmates during the period.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 04.10.2023, vide item no.04.45.48 considered the matter regarding the disbursal of salary to the contract employees at Women's hostel, Thycaud for the period from 05.05.2023 to 13.05.2023 when the hostel was closed for maintenance and resolved to hear the Warden and Administrative Officer of Women's Hostel Thycaud by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor the matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee heard the Warden and Administrative Officer of Women's Hostel Thycaud and recommended to refer the matter to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the salary for contract employees at Women's hostel, Thycaud for the period from 05.05.2023 to 13.05.2023 be disbursed based on the attendance maintained in the Hostel.

Item No.06.53.02

Department of Education - Three day International Conference - II nd International Conference on Sustainabilty Education (ICSE 2023)-venue change -ratification request - reg.

(Pl B)

An amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh only) was sanctioned as Provisional Advance to Prof.(Dr.) Geetha Janet Vitus, Professor& Head, Department of Education for the conduct of the three day International Conference –2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Sustainabilty Education (ICSE 2023) " from 04<sup>th</sup>- 06<sup>th</sup> January 2023. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor approved the request of Dr.Divya C Senan, Assistant Professor, Department of Education (Organizing Secretary of the Conference) to meet the airfare to the resource person Dr.Jayana Joshi, Professor, Center of Education, Indian Institute of Teacher Education, Gujarat from the already sanctioned amount for the conduct of the three day International Conference as per rules.

After the completion of the programme Dr.Bindu T.V, the present Head of the Department, Department of Education forwarded the statement of expenditure and bills and vouchers of the expenses incurred for the conduct of the International Conference submitted by , Dr.Divya C Senan, Assistant Professor, Department of Education (Organizing Secretary of the Conference) who in turn informed that due to lack of online conference facility (involving live presentations) at the Department of Education, the International Conference was conducted at Senate Chamber, University of Kerala (instead of Department of Education, University of Kerala as per the original proposal) and that due to time constraints, permission for the same was not sought in advance. The Organizing Secretary, further certified that the provisional advance has not been availed by Prof.(Dr.) Geetha Janet Vitus, Professor & former Head of the Department , Department of Education and that she has retired from service and also requested to ratify the action taken by her in changing the venue of the programme without prior permission from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

It may be noted that as per the Guidelines for the conduct of Hybrid Programmes prior permission from the Vice-Chancellor is required for changing the venue.

As per orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor the request of Dr.Divya C Senan, Assistant Professor, Department of Education (Organizing Secretary of the Conference) to ratify the action taken by her in changing the venue of the International Conference (due to lack of online conference facility in the Department) without obtaining prior permission of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee observed that the Department had conducted three day International Conference limiting the expenditure within the Provisional Advance sanctioned for the programme.

Hence the Committee recommended to ratify the action taken by Dr. Divya C Senan, Assistant Professor, Department of Education (Organizing Secretary of the Conference) in changing the venue of the International Conference without obtaining prior permission of the Vice-Chancellor.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.03

UGC - HRDC - Request to transfer the grant-in-aid released by the UGC to the Director, UGC-HRDC towards the conduct of the programmes and disbursement of the salary of staff in the UGC-HRDC - Consideration of -reg:-

(Pl|B)

The Director, UGC HRDC vide letter No.UGC-HRDC/455/2023 dated. 04.09.2023, informed that the UGC had released an amount of Rs.40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakh only) (Rs. 30,40,000/- vide letter F.No.39-30/2023(HRDC)-F.D-III Diary No.4173 dt. 07/08/2023, Rs.6,40,000/- vide letter F.No.39-30/2023(HRDC)-F.D-III Diary No.4174 dt. 07/08/2023 and Rs.3,20,000/- vide letter F.No.39-30/2023(HRDC)-F.D-III Diary No.4175 dt. 07/08/2023 respectively) as advance grant for the year 2023-24 for conducting Faculty Induction Programme, Refresher Courses, Short-Term programme, Workshop and others under the scheme of HRDC. Besides, vide the letter Director, HRDC assured that the amount advanced from the University could be recouped when the pending amount is received from UGC and further stated that he has been informed by the UGC that the file regarding the pending amount to be released to the UGC-HRDC, Karyavattom is currently awaiting final approval of the competent authority. The Director, HRDC vide the letter cited has also requested to transfer to his PD account the amount of Rs. 40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakh only) released by the UGC as advance grant for the year 2023-24 so as to enable the uninterrupted functioning of the Centre.

It may be noted that at the meeting held in connection with the maintenance of the accounts of the grant—in—aid released by the UGC towards the working of UGC-HRDC, Kariavattom (approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor), the Finance Officer was entrusted to conduct an audit of the accounts of UGC-HRDC, Karyavattom and submit a fresh Audit Report at the earliest. The Audit Report is anticipated soon. The Planning C Section acknowledged the receipt of an amount of Rs.40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakh only).

The Finance Wing, pointed out that, in addition to the salary of staff (permanent), an amount of Rs.55,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty five Lakh only) released from KUF, for conduct of programmes at UGC HRDC in anticipation of the grant-in-aid from the UGC, is pending recoupment. The Finance has therefore not endorsed the request of the Director, UGC-HRDC for release of the Rs.40,00,000/-(Rupees Forty Lakh only) received from UGC, as advance grant for 2023-24, but instead has called for an administrative decision in the matter.

It may be noted that the Planning C Section on 07.10.2023 has acknowledged the receipt of an amount of Rs.33,58,167/- (Rupees Thirty three Lakh Fifty eight thousand One hundred and Sixty seven only) in the PFMS portal towards UGC-HRDC in addition to the aforementioned amount of Rs.40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakh only), the sanction order furnishing the details of the payment is

awaited.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding the request of the Director (FAC), UGC-HRDC to transfer to his PD account the amount of Rs.40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakh only) received from UGC, as advance grant for the year 2023-24 for conducting Faculty Induction Programme, Refresher Courses, Short-Term programme, Workshop and others under the scheme of HRDC is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended the following:

- 1. to release an amount of Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty lakh only) to the Director (FAC), UGC-HRDC from the advance grant of Rs.40,00,000/- for the year 2023-24 received from UGC, for the smooth functioning of UGC-HRDC.
- 2. to entrust the Director (FAC), UGC-HRDC to take necessary steps for procuring the balance amount from the UGC, so as to recoup the outstanding amount advanced from KUF.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.04

Regularisation of Provisional payments amounting to Rs.86,79,000/- & Rs.50,00,000/- - Finalization of liabilities against Dr.P.Raghavan, Joint Registrar (retired) for office automation- reg.

(Ad BII)

The minutes of the meeting held to finalize the liabilities outstanding against Dr. P.Raghavan, Joint Registrar (retired on 30.04.2021) directed AdBII Section to take necessary steps towards the regularisation of two University Orders viz.Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 31.03.2009 & Pl.A (AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 16.07.2011 for an amount of Rs.86,79,000/- and Pl.A (AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 31.03.2010 & Pl.A(AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 19.07.2011, for an amount of Rs.50,00,000/-, released to Dr. P.Raghavan, Joint Registrar (retired) as provisional advance for office automation.

On Verification of the file related to Automation, following points are noted:

- An amount of Rs.1,36,79,000/- was released as provisional advance to Sri. K.A. Hashim, former Registrar. It may be noted that an amount of Rs. 86,79,000/- was released from UGC fund vide U.O. No: Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 31.03.2009 and remaining Rs.50,00,000/- was released from State Plan funds vide U.O.No: Pl.A(AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 31.03.2010 and both amounts are deposited in the PD account of Sri.K.A Hashim, former Registrar.
- Out of Rs.86,79,000/- released to Sri. K A Hashim, an amount of Rs.38,77,268/- was paid to M/s Keltron as advance payment for automation work vide cheque no:050533 dated 30.11.2009 and an amount of Rs.23,80,114/- was released vide cheque no:014089 dated 06.08.2010, totalling to an amount of Rs.62,57,382/-.
- Statement from Keltron dated 08.12.2010 shows that Keltron accepted the payment of 62,57,382/-
- As per UO No: AdBII/3/462/10 dated 12.05.2011, sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor for admitting the amount of Rs.62,57,382/- released by Hashim K A, Registrar to M/s Keltron as advance payment for automation and the balance amount of Rs.74,21,618/- be transferred to newly opened PD Account of the new Registrar.
- As per U.O No; Pl.A(AdBII/931/UGC.XI.V.09 dated 16.07.2011, the unspent balance amount of Rs.24,21,618-remaining in the PD Account of Sri. KA Hashim was transferred to PD Account of Sri.P.Raghavan (JR Admin, Registrar in charge) and vide U.O No; Pl.A1(AdBII/Automation/09 dated 19.07.2011, the unspent balance amount of Rs.50,00,000/remaining in the PD Account of Sri. KA Hashim was transferred to PD Account of Sri.P.Raghavan (JR Admin, Registrar in charge), towards the Office automation works. On verification of the facts and bills, Audit section has remarked the following:
- Position of utilization of amounts as observed from verification of the documents submitted are as follows:

Amount sanctioned /Released to	Amount Utilized	Balance
PD Account (in Rs.)	(in Rs.)	(in Rs.)
86,79,000/-	62,57,382/-	24,21,618/-
50,00,000/-	45,86,669/-	4,13,331/-

- On verifying the receipt No: 220457 furnished by Dr.P.Raghavan towards the unspent balance of Rs.3,95,253/-,the purpose was mentioned as "XI KV Substation refund". On cross verification of the account statement in the name of Joint Registrar (Admn) operated by Sri.P.Raghavan ,it can be inferred that expenses related to both 11 kv Substation &Office Automation were met from the same account. As per U.O No; Pl.A/1505/UGC.XI.VI.CD/09 dated 01.02.2020, the unspent balance of Rs.90,958/- was refunded towards regularisation of XI KV Substation vide receipt No: 220457 dated 28.03.2018. Hence it may be persumed that an amount of Rs.3,04,295/- out of the total remitted amount of 3,95,253/- is the unspent balance from the provisional advance of Rs.50,00,000/- sanctioned towards Office Automation.
- On verifying the receipt No: 220461 furnished by Dr.P.Raghavan towards the unspent balance of Rs.68,644/-,the purpose was mentioned as "General Refund" As the original receipt was not available, it can't be verified whether the receipt be claimed anywhere else, even though Dr.P Raghavan has remarked that, the amount has not claimed any where else.

It may be noted that AdA1 Section has remarked that, Rs.24,21,618/- (Out of Rs.86,79,000/-) is included in the liability fixed against Sri.N.Asok,Section Officer (Hr.Gr) under suspension and also remarked that, there is no standing orders in r/o Dr.P Raghavan regarding exempting him from the aforesaid liability.

Based on the above facts and observations, it can be concluded as follows:

1. Regularisation of U.O No:Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 31.03.2009 & Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 16.07.2011 for an amount of Rs.86,79,000/-

S1.		Amount
No:		(Rs.)
1.	Original Bills found in the file -Attested by the Joint Registrar(Admn) and	53,12,020/-
	verified by the Audit	
2.	Letter No:KSEDC/ITBG/CGM/028/22-23 dated 18.11.2022 furnisfed by the	9,45,362/-
	Chief General Manager (ITBG), M/s Keltron, confirming that they had	
	received Rs.9,45,362/- towards Office Automation (Verfied by Audit)	
3.	Remarks from AdAI Section, that an amount of Rs.24,21,618/- was	24,21,618/-
	considered while calculating the liability of Sri.N.Ashok,Section Officer	
	vide U.O.No:Ad.A1.4/1507/2021 dated 15.04.2021.	
	Total	86,79,000/-

2. Regularisation of U.O.No: Pl.A(AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 31.03.2010 & Pl.A(AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 19.07.2011

Sl.No:		Amount (Rs.)
1.	Original Bills found in the file -Attested by the Joint Registrar(Admn)	45,86,669/-
	and verified by the Audit	
2.	Chalan receipt No:220457 dated 28.03.2018 worth Rs.3,95,253 & As	3,04,295/-
	per U.O No; Pl.A/1505/UGC.XI.VI.CD/09 dated 01.02.2020, unspent	(If
	balance of Rs.90,958/- was refunded towards regularisation of XI KV	administrative
	Substation vide receipt No: 220457 dated 28.03.2018. Hence Audit	sanction is
	Section persumed that an amount of Rs.3,04,295/- out of the total	received)
	remitted amount of 3,95,253/- is the unspent balance from the	
	provisional advance of Rs.50,00,000/- sanctioned towards Office	
	Automation.	

Sl.No:		Amount (Rs.)
3.	Chalan receipt No: 220461 furnished by Dr.P.Raghavan towards the	68,644/-
	unspent balance of Rs.68,644/-,the purpose was mentioned as "General	(If
	Refund". Audit Section has remarked that, as the original receipt was	administrative
	not available, it can't be verified whether the receipt be claimed	sanction is
	anywhere else, eventhough Dr.P Raghavan has remarked that, the	received)
	amount has not claimed any where else.	
Total		49,59,608/-
Balance	amount to be refunded	40,392 + Penal
		Interest if
		applicable

The Finance Officer has endorsed all of the remarks of the Audit Section in this regard.

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the following matters were placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance:

- 1. Whether an amount of Rs.62,57,382/- be admitted towards regularisation of U.O No: Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 31.03.2009 & Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 16.07.2011 for an amount of Rs.86,79,000/-.
- 2. Whether Dr.P.Raghavan be exempted from the liabilty of Rs.24,21,618/- towards regularisation of U.O No:Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGCXI.V/09 dated 31.03.2009 & Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 16.07.2011 for an amount of Rs.86,79,000/-, as the same amount was already considered while fixing liabilities of Sri.N.Ashok,Section Officer (on suspension),however there is no standing orders in r/o Dr.P Raghavan regarding exempting him from the aforesaid liability.
- 3. Whether an amount of Rs.45,86,669/- be admitted towards regularisation of U.O. No:Pl.A (AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 31.03.2010 & Pl.A(AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 19.07.2011.
- 4. Whether balance amount of Rs.3,04,295/- in the receipt no:220457 worth Rs.3,95,253/- be considered towards refund of unspent balance of Office Automation works.
- 5. Whether receipt no: 220461 dated 28.03.2018, worth Rs.68,644/-be considered or not towards refund of unspent balance of Office automation works as the purpose mentioned was "General Refund".
- 6. Whether Penal interest be levied from Dr.P.Raghavan, for delay in regularising the provisional advances sanctiond to him.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 20.05.2023 vide item no:57.69.02 resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance to obtain opinion from Legal Advisor on this matter and to place the same in the Committee .Accordingly, Legal Advisor has furnished legal opinion on the same.

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the legal opinion given by the Legal Advisor towards regularisation of provisional payments amounting to Rs.86,79,000/-& Rs.50,00,000/- released to Dr. P.Raghavan, Joint Registrar (retired) for office automation is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

Legal opinion furnished by the Legal Advisor is attached as Annexure I.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended the following by accepting the Legal Opinion:

- 1. to admit the bills, vouchers and other valid documents amounting to Rs. 62,57,382/- for the regularization of Rs.86,79,000/- sanctioned vide U.O No:Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 31.03.2009 & Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 16.07.2011.
- 2. to exempt Dr.P.Raghavan from the liabilty of Rs.24,21,618/- towards regularisation of U.O No:Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGCXI.V/09 dated 31.03.2009 & Pl.A(AdBII)/931/UGC XI.V/09 dated 16.07.2011 for an amount of Rs.86,79,000/-, as the same amount was already considered while fixing liabilities of Sri.N.Ashok,Section Officer (on suspension),vide U.O.No:Ad.A1.4/1507/2021 dated 15.04.2021.
- 3. to admit the bills and vouchers amounting to Rs.45,86,669/- for the regularisation of U.O.No:Pl.A(AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 31.03.2010 & Pl.A(AdBII)/Automation/09 dated 19.07.2011.

- 4. an amount of Rs.3,04,295/- included in the Pay-in slip no.220457 dtd 28.03. 2018 for Rs.3,95,253/-, refunded for regularization of provisional payment sanctioned towards the installation of XI KV Substation at S.H campus ,be treated as the refund of unspent balance amount towards Office Automation, subject to the submission of an undertaking.
- 5. to consider the amount of Rs.68,644/ remitted vide receipt no: 220461 dated 28.03.2018 under the head of account "General Refund" as refund of unspent balance towards Office automation works, subject to the submission of an undertaking.

  The Committee further recommended the following:
- to direct Dr.P.Raghavan to refund the balance amount of Rs.40,392/- to KUF.
- the matter regarding levying penal interest for the delay in regularising the provisional advances sanctiond to Dr.P.Raghavan, be referred to the Syndicate.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to entrust the Finance Officer to submit a comprehensive report regarding the finalization of liabilities against Dr. P.Raghavan, Joint Registrar (retired) and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for detailed discussion.

Item No.06.53.05

Syllabus Revision Workshop-First Degree Programme in Social Work under CBCS system-Final Payment Reg:-

(Ad Misc)

Dr.Antony Palackal, Chairman, BOS in Social Work has submitted the bills/vouchers for the final payment in connection with the conduct of 3 day syllabus revision workshop from 16<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> August 2023 for revising the Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Social Work under CBCS System in (OBE) mode.University had given sanction for conducting the workshop by limiting the expenditure upto Rs.45000/- vide letter no.33024/AcAV/2022/UOK dated 12.08.2022. But the Chairman had submitted the bills/vouchers worth Rs.47,115/- towards the conducted workshop. The Finance Officer has furnished a report after verifying the bills/vouchers in which certain defects were noted.

The Finance Officer has pointed out that the TA/DA bills are not submitted in proper forms. The place of travel, distance travelled, name, address and designation of the resource person/participant may be clearly written in the TA bill. The defects noted were intimated to Dr. Antony Palckal, Chairman, BoS in Social Work. The Chairman, BoS has offered clarification on the defects vide letter dated 29/06/2023.

The Chairman has remarked that as the invitees were from allied sectors (NGOs &Industry) and academicians mostly from the self financing sectors, it would not be possible to generate T.A/D.A bills based on the definite scale of pay.Further Chairman has requested to grant administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.47,115/- incurred towards the conduct of syllabus revision workshop, as there are no specific guidelines for conducting workshop for syllabus revision.

It may be noted that there are no specific guidelines for conducting syllabus revision workshop regarding the fixation of honorarium, resource fee, TA/DA calculation, Miscellaneous expenditure etc. Detailed guidelines regarding the conduct of workshop have to be given to the Chairman, BoS in order to avoid ambiguity while submitti9ng the bills. The matter regarding constitution of sub-committee for constructing framework/guideline related to the conduct of workshop is under consideration.

The Vice Chancellor after perusing the remarks of the Finance Officer and the clarification submitted by Dr.Antony Palackal, Chairman, BoS in Social Work for release of an amount of Rs.47,115/- towards the conduct of BSW Syllabus revision workshop has ordered to place the matter before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding sanctioning of an amount of Rs.47,115/- to Dr.Antony Palackal, Chairman, BoS in Social Work towards conduct of BSW syllabus revision workshop by waiving off the objection raised by Finance wing on the basis of clarification submitted by the Chairman,BoS in Social Work is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended the following:

- 1. to accept the bills and vouchers which are in order for sanctioning the amount expended by Dr. Antony Palackal, Chairman ,BoS in Social Work towards conduct of BSW syllabus revision workshop.
- 2. The balance amount, if any, be released on receipt of the documents in the prescribed format.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.06

Sweeping and Cleaning of Buildings and Premises of Senate House Campus by M/s Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd No: T.2245 - Expiry of contract - reg.

(Ad BI)

The contract for the work of Sweeping and Cleaning at the University Office, Senate House Campus had been awarded to M/s.Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Cooperative society Ltd.No.2245 for a period of 12 months w.e.f 01.10.2021 vide U.O.No. Ad.AVIII.SH/Campus/Sw.&Cl./2021/001 dated 01.10.2021, at Rs.4,11,230/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two hundred and Thirty only) inclusive of 18% GST per month (by inviting quotations). The contract expired on 30.09.2022.

Further the Syndicate at it's meeting held on 27.09.2022 vide Item No. 41.01 has resolved to extend the term of agreement of M/s. Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Cooperative society Ltd.No.2245 for Sweeping and Cleaning works at the University Office, Senate House Campus for period of 11 months w.e.f 01.10.2022 vide U.O a Ad.AVIII.SH/Campus/Sw.&Cl./2021/001 dated 01.12.2022, at Rs. 4,11,230/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two hundred and Thirty only) inclusive of 18% GST per month. The contract expired on 31.08.2023.

It may be noted that M/s.Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd.No.2245 is still carrying out the sweeping and Cleaning works at the University Office, Senate House Campus.

In the above circumstances, as per orders of the Vice Chancellor, the following points are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration whether:

1. New quotations may be invited for carrying out the Sweeping and Cleaning works at the University Office, Senate House Campus.If new quotations are to be invited, whether the work of Sweeping and Cleaning at the University Office, Senate House Campus may be continued with M/s.Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative Society till new contract is executed.

OR

The contract period of the current contractor M/s.Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative society Ltd.No.2245 may be extended for another 11 months w.e.f. 01.09.2023.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to extend the contract period of M/s. Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd.No.2245, for Sweeping and Cleaning works at the University Office, Senate House Campus at Rs. 4,11,230/-(Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two hundred and Thirty only) inclusive of 18% GST per month, for another 11 months w.e.f. 01.09.2023.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.07 Non remittance of TDS within the due date for the Financial Year 2019-20-reg.

(Ad AI)

Explanations were sought for the delay in remittance of the TDS for the year 2019-20, within the due date, which led to the payment of an amount of Rs.1,87,500/- as interest on late payment from Sri. Rajeev P.R., Assistant Registrar, B Com, Annual II, the then Section Officer, Accounts V A,

Sri.Rahul V.P., Assistant (Sel.Gr.) and Smt.Keerthi S., Assistant. Accounts V A, vide Memo No.Ad.AI.1/2023 dated 15.05.2023. In reply the officers/employees concerned have attributed the delay occurred in remitting TDS for the year 2019-20, in the month of March 2020, to the nationwide lock down imposed by the Government due to the wide spread of COVID -19, that there was no late payment of TDS in any month other than March 2020.

Based on their explanation received, the Finance Officer has remarked that:

The TDS demand on the Financial Year 2019-20 was Rs.3,35,520/- and the University had the option either to make the payment or to proceed with rectification process. An explanatory note was submitted to the Circle TDS Tvm. As a part of taking corrective measures in this regard. The reason for accruing the demand to Rs 3,35,520/- was due to the delay occurred in remitting TDS as University could make the payment only on 06.05.2020 as against the due date of 07.04.2020. This was due to the nation wide lock down due to COVID -19 pandemic. The matter was intimated to the Circle TDS Tvm. with request to condone the delay occurred.

Consequent on the reply from the Circle TDS Tvm., directing the University to approach CIT; as the waiver rights for the period from 2019- 20 was vested in CIT, the CIT was informed that the University was taking measures for reduction on interest on demand, for the Financial Year 2019-20.

The demand was reduced to Rs.2,52,120/-(Financial Year 2019-20), as intimated on 29.10.2021. Again it was intimated by the Circle TDS Office on 25.02.2022 that the outstanding amount as on the date was Rs. 2,52,120/. Thereafter, Correction statements were submitted through Consultant, bringing down the total amount to Rs 2,00,240.50/-. The Demand notice was received on 01.10.2022, approving the aforesaid amount as demand.

As per the advice rendered by the Service Consultant, unused Chalan for Rs 12,741/- were deducted and steps were taken to remit the balance demand of Rs 1,87,500/-. It was also advised that there was no scope for an appeal since the IT Department did not provide any relaxation for the delay occurred owing to the conditions attributed to COVID -19.

As per the remarks of the Finance Officer, the remittance on 29.12.2022 was made from the savings in the SBI Account (Account No.38207674395) maintained for IT/TDS-GST at no additional expense to University. The officers concerned of the section presents that delay on payment is solely due to the nation wide lock down imposed owing to the wide spread of COVID -19 and points out there is no instance of delayed payment in the past years.

The Finance Officer has further remarked that; owing to the nation vide lock down imposed due to the wide spread of the Covid -19 pandemic (from March 2020) and as the payment was met from the savings in the SBI Account, maintained for IT/TDS and no additional expenses were incurred to the University on account of this; the demand amount to the tune of Rs 1, 87, 500/remitted as TDS may be ratified by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

In this context, the explanations received from the officers, viz. Sri. Rajeev P R, Asst. Registrar, Bcom, Annual II, the then Section Officer, Accounts V A Sri.Rahul V.P., Assistant (Sel.Gr.) and Smt.Keerthi S, Assistant. Accounts V A, in reply to the Memo dated 15.05.2023, that; the delay was solely due to the nation wide lockdown owing to the wide spread of Covid -19 pandemic in the month of March and that there was no late payment of TDS in any month other than March 2020; and the aforementioned remarks of the Finance Officer: are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to entrust the Finance Officer to submit a report on the matter and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

Item No.06.53.08 Electricity charges of Kerala University Staff Housing Co- operative Society Ltd. - levying of - reg.

(Ad BII)

The minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 10.10.2017 vide item no:30.88.02, had resolved that concession for an amount of Rs.10,000/- per month and Rs.5000/- per month shall be given to the Kerala University Employees Co - operative Society and Kerala University Staff Housing

Cooperative Society respectively towards electricity charges. Further, meeting of the Syndicate held on 08.08.2019 vide item no: 02.16.08 had resolved to intimate the societies to remit the dues of electricity charges to the University in four equal monthly instalments starting from September 2019. Accordingly, both of the societies had remitted outstanding dues in four equal instalments towards the electricity charges for the period from January 2009 to October 2017.

However, an amount of Rs.1,21,100/- is pending due towards electricity charges of Kerala University Staff Housing Co-Operative Society for the period from October 2020 to May 2023 and the same was intimated to Secretary, Kerala University Staff Housing Co-Operative Society in multiple times. At present, Secretary, Kerala University Staff Housing Co-Operative Society has requested to grant permission for paying the dues on electricity charges in four equal instalments, as previously allowed.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request from the Secretary, Kerala University Staff Housing Co-operative Society Ltd, for granting permission to remit the electricity charges due to the University in four equal instalments, (ie..Rs.30,275/- each out of the total dues of Rs.1,21,100/-), for the period from October 2020 to May 2023 is placed before Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to permit the Secretary, Kerala University Staff Housing Co-operative Society Ltd to remit the electricity charges due to the University till the last bill (upto consumption month October 2023), before the end of this financial year, i.e. 31.03.2024.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to entrust the University Engineer to examine the matter of installing separate Electric Meter Box for the Kerala University Staff Housing Co-operative Society Ltd.

# Item No.06.53.09 International Youth Hostel, Palayam – Providing WiFi Facility Estimates approval -reg:

(Ad BII)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.06.2023 has resolved to approve the recommendation of the minutes of the meeting held on 11.05.2023 in connection with the discussion regarding issues at International Youth Hostel, Palayam, and thereby to provide WiFi facility in the International Youth Hostel. The Instrumentation Engineer has submitted an estimate amounting to Rs.2,29,000/- (Rupees Two lakh Twenty Nine Thousand only) towards the same.

The Finance has remarked that administrative sanction is to be obtained in the first instance for the estimate prepared by the Instrumentation Engineer towards providing WiFi facility at the Internatinal Youth Hostel, and to meet the expenditure from the Head of Account "Part I-NP- MH:63 Miscellaneous - 8/5958 -Campus Networking/WiFi" of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University, if it is approved.

As per the orders of Vice-Chancellor, the estimate amount of Rs.2,29,000/- submitted by the Instrumentation Engineer towards WiFi facility at the Internatinal Youth Hostel, Palayam is placed before the Standing Committee on Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to approve the estimate amount of Rs.2,29,000/- submitted by the Instrumentation Engineer for providing WiFi facility at the Internatinal Youth Hostel, Palayam.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to constitute a Technical Committee with following members and place the same before the committee for detailed discussion.

- 1. The University Engineer
- 2. Director, Computer Centre
- 3. Instrumentation Engineer
- 4. Representative from IT Mission.

Item No.06.53.10 Women's Hostel, PG Old Block – Providing additional WiFi Facility and shifting of existing WiFi access points – Administrative sanction & Estimate Approval of -reg:

(Ad BII)

The Deputy Registrar , Campus Administration (in Charge of Handling Financial Matters, University Hostel For Women, Kariavattom) has informed that in the context of complaints of the inmates of Old Block, Women's Hostel for not having WiFi facility for the last few months, the Instrumentation Engineer has submitted an estimate amounting to Rs.4,55,000/-(Rupees Four Lakh and Fifty Five Thousand only) towards the provision of additional WiFi Facility and shifting of existing WiFi access points at the Women's Hostel, PG Old Block, Kariavattom Campus. The Deputy Registrar, Campus Administration has also informed that budget allocation is not provided under the Head "MH: 60(b) Women's Hostel", for meeting the expenditure on the same in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

The Finance has remarked to obtain administrative sanction in the first instance for the estimate prepared by the Instrumentation Engineer towards providing the additional WiFi Facility and shifting of existing WiFi access points at the Women's Hostel, PG Old Block, and to meet the expenditure from the Head of Account "Part I-NP- MH:63 Miscellaneous- 8/5958 - Campus Networking/ WiFi" of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University, if the proposal is approved.

As per the orders of Vice-Chancellor, the matter of providing additional WiFi facility and shifting of existing WiFi access points at the Women's Hostel, PG Old Block, along with approval of the estimate amounting to Rs.4,55,000/- is placed before the Standing Committee on Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to hear the Instrumentation Engineer by this Committee.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to place the matter before the Technical Committee constituted by the Syndicate vide item No. 06.53.09.

Item No.06.53.11:

International Centre for Sree Narayana Guru Studies-Request for permission to maintain the amount sanctioned for the publishing of Sree Narayana Vijnaneeyam and Sree Narayana Literature in the P.D account of the centre till the completion of the work – Reg:-

(Ac D)

Ref: Letter No. F 44/INCSNGS/477/MAL/2022-23 Dated 18.03.2023

Dr. M A Siddeek, Hon. Director, INCSNGS, has requested for permission to maintain the amount of Rs. 16,40,000/- (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Forty Thousand Only) sanctioned vide U.O. No. Ac.D/1/16571/2021 dated 09/06/2022 for the publishing of Sree Narayana Vijnaneeyam and Sree Narayana Literature- A descriptive bibliography in the P.D account of the centre until the end of the programme for its utilization.

Finance I has remarked that the decision has to be taken at the administrative level regarding the extension sought for utilising the provisional advance after ascertaining progress of the work. Accordingly, a letter has been forwarded to the Hon. Director, INCSNGS, for submitting a detailed work report regarding pre-press work of Sree Narayana Vijnaneeyam and Sree Narayana Literature – a descriptive bibliography. Hon. Director, INCSNGS, vide letter no. F44/INCSNGS/121/MAL/2023-24 dated 19.07.2023 has submitted a detailed work report is appended.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request submitted by the Hon.Director, International Centre for Sree Narayana Guru Studies, for permission to maintain the amount sanctioned for the publishing of Sree Narayana Vijnaneeyam and Sree Narayana Literature in the P.D account of the centre till the completion of the work is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to extend the period for completing the work related to "publishing of Sree Narayana Vijnaneeyam and Sree Narayana

Literature- A descriptive bibliography" and for regularizing the amount sanctioned vide U.O No. Ac.D/1/16571/2021 dated 09/06/2022 till 31.03.2024, without any further extension.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.12 Dept of German - Centre for Translation - Conduct of International Conference - Permission - reg.

(Ad FII)

Sri. Sreekumar K N, Director, Centre for Translation, Dept of German, vide letter dated 18.09.2023, has informed that Federation of Economic Development Association (FEDA), a globally acclaimed academic body has forwarded an Expression of Interest to conduct a Multidisciplinary International Conference on various themes such as Language and literature, Science, Humanities, Law & Technologies, in collaboration with Centre for Translation, on 18th December 2023 at the Centre.

FEDA is a globally acclaimed academic body whose activities include Research and Innovation activities in the field of global education and connects students and researchers with Universities and institutions across the world. The event will give more opportunities for the students and academic community to interact with delegates from various institutions institutions across the globe and may pave the way for further academic opportunities.

It is informed that there is no financial commitment to the University. FEDA will manage registration fees collection and all Conference expenditure and they offer a discount on Registration fees for students and faculties of this organization.

As per the orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the matter of granting permission to the Director, Centre for Translation, Dept of German, to conduct a Multidisciplinary International Conference, in collaboration with FEDA, on 18th December 2023 at University of Kerala is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

## The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to grant permission to the Director, Centre for Translation, Department of German, to conduct a Multidisciplinary International Conference, in collaboration with FEDA, on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at University of Kerala.

# Item No.06.53.13 Revision of Examination fee for all programmes – Detailed statements of expenses being incurred towards fee for all courses – reg.

(Ac AII)

Ref: 1. Detailed statement of expenses incurred towards the conduct of examinations during the Financial year 2022-23, approved by the Controller of Examinations. 2. The total expenses towards the conduct of examination occured during the financial year 2021-22 and 2022-23 approved by the Financial Officer.

The Syndicate as at its meeting held on 25.05.2022, considered the matter of enhancing the examination fee structure for PG programmes under semester pattern in affiliated colleges from the next academic year and resolved to entrust Adv.K.H.Babujan, Dr.K.B.Manoj (Members, Syndicate), the Controller of Examinations and Finance Officer to study the matter and submit a report before the Combined meeting of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance and Examinations.

A detailed discussion was held between Adv.K.H.Babujan, Dr.K.B.Manoj (Members, Syndicate), the Controller of Examinations and the Finance Officer, on 30.8.2022, and as per the report submitted it was recommended to entrust the Controller of Examinations and the Finance Officer to submit a detailed statement of expenses being incurred towards the conduct of all examinations in order to revise the existing fees.

The Vice Chancellor had ordered to place the report before the combined meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Examinations alongwith the detailed

statement of expenses being incurred towards the conduct of all examinations from the Controller of Examinations and Finance Officer.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the detailed statement of expenses incurred towards the conduct of examinations during the Financial year 2022-23, approved by the Controller of Examinations vide reference cited as (1) above and the total expenses towards the conduct of examination conducted during the financial year 2021-22 and 2022-23 approved by the Finance Officer vide reference cited as (2) (copies are appended) are submitted before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to constitute a Sub-Committee for revision of Examination fee for all programmes, by considering the expenses incurred towards the conduct of examinations, with following members.

- 1. Adv Muralidharan Pillai G, Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate
- 2. Dr. K. G. Gopchandran , Member, Syndicate
- 3. Dr. Shijukhan J S , Member, Syndicate
- 4. Dr.S Jayan , Member, Syndicate
- 5. Sri. R Rajesh, Member, Syndicate
- 6. Controller of Examinations
- 7. Finance Officer

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.14 Unitary and Integrated LL.B Courses - Enhancement of Fee for Provisional and Consolidated Statement of Marks - Resolution of the Syndicate - reg.

Ref: Minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023 vide item no. 04.45.38.

(AC A III)

The Standing committee of the Syndicate held on 21.09.2023 considered the matter regarding the enhancement of fee for the Statement of consolidated marks and provisional certificates of Integrated Five year LL.B and Unitary LL.B Courses and recommended the following:

- To entrust the Controller of Examinations to obtain clarification from the concerned sections for not collecting the revised fee for consolidated statement of marks for Integrated LL.B courses and Unitary LL.B Courses in accordance with U.O No. Ac AII/1/2017 Dated: 01.03.2017.
- To collect the fee for consolidated statement of marks in accordance with the U.O No.Ac AII/1/2017 Dated: 01.03.2017, with immediate effect.
- To Submit a revised proposal for enhancing the fee for provisional certificates of Integrated Five year LL.B courses and Unitary LL.B Courses.

The Syndicate held on 04.10.2023 vide item no. 04.45.38 approved the above recommendation of the Standing committee of the Syndicate and the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has ordered to implement the same. Accordingly, the matter was brought to the notice of the Examination wing for further necessary actions.

The Examination Wing has put forth proposal for enhancing the fee for Provisional Certificates of Unitary and Integrated LL.B Courses from Rs 140/- {Rupees One Hundred and Forty Only} to Rs 300/- {Rupees Three Hundred Only}.

In compliance with the decision of the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023 vide item no. 04.45.38, the revised proposal put forth by the Examination wing for enhancing the fee for Provisional Certificates of Unitary and Integrated Five year LL.B Courses from ₹ 140/- {Rupees One Hundred and Forty Only} to ₹ 300/- {Rupees Three Hundred Only} is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to enhance the fee for Provisional Certificates of Unitary and Integrated Five year LL.B Courses to Rs.250/- (Rupees Two hundred fifty Only).

Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.15 Financial assistance to Sri.Tijo Issac I J, Plumber on contract basis at University Engineering Unit. (Ad DII)

Sri. Tijo Issac I J was engaged as plumber on contract basis, at University Engineering unit for a period of eleven months or till permanent appointment is made to the post whichever is earlier w.e.f 25.07.2023 on a consolidated remuneration ₹20,065/- vide U.O.No.7194/2023/UOK dated 21.08.2023.

The University Engineer vide letter dated 22.08.2023 has reported that Sri.Tijo Issac I J was met with an accident (on 06-06-2023) while attempting to a repair work in the Aquatic Biology Building, he fell down from the building and his knee was struck on the ground. Later on consultation with doctor, he was advised to undergo surgery due to ligament injury.

The University Engineer has forwarded the request from Sri.Tijo Issac I.J, Plumber on contract basis to sanction him special leave with salary of one month from 21.08.2023 as he had to undergo a surgery at Govt. Medical College, Trivandrum because of the accident happened on 06.06.2023 and the doctor advised complete rest for one month (submitted medical certificate recommending absence from duty for the period from 21.08.2023 to 19.09.2023). The University Engineer has recommended to grant special leave with salary for his medical treatment considering the fact that the accident was happened while attending duty.

Employment Contract in r/o Sri. Tijo Issac I J for the previous engagement has been terminated w.e.f. 21.08.2023 and he was permitted to rejoin w.e.f. 20.09.2023 after executing Employment Contract afresh, vide U.O.No.8782/2023/UOK dated 25.10.2023.

As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor the request in r/o Sri. Tijo Issac I J, Plumber on contract basis at University Engineering Unit for granting Financial assistance of one month salary amounting to ₹20,065/-(Rupees Twenty Thousand Sixty Five only) considering the ground that the accident happened while attending duty is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to pay an amount equivalent to one month salary to Sri. Tijo Issac I J, Plumber on contract basis at University Engineering Unit as financial assistance, by considering the fact that the accident happened while attending duty.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

## Item No.06.53.16 Request from the Director, KUCC - to consider his monthly payment as Professional payment - reg:

(Ad DII)

Sri. Madhu V T was engaged as Director on contract basis at the University Computer Center for a period of eleven months w.e.f. 29.05.2023 on a consolidated monthly remuneration of Rs.1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousand only).

Sri. Madhu V T vide note dated 25.05.2023 had requested to treat his monthly payment received for discharging his duties as Director, KUCC as Professional payment and to file the TDS tax returns accordingly, considering the fact that he is a retired employee and an IT Professional .

The Audit Section, remarked that the agreement executed between University of Kerala and Sri. Madhu V T clearly establishes an employer-employee relationship and it is not advisable to file the TDS returns under professional payment in the current employment agreement framework. And suggested 1. further clarification may be obtained from Tax consultant to process the Tax under professional services or 2. To continue processing the TDS under category of salaried employee. The Finance Officer has approved the remarks to continue processing the TDS under the category of salaried employee.

It may be noted that Sri. Madhu V T informed that due to personal reasons, he would not be able to continue as the Director, KUCC after 31.12.2023.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the request from Sri. Madhu V T to treat his monthly payment received for discharging his duties as Director, KUCC as Professional payment and to file the TDS tax returns accordingly is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended not to concede the request of Sri.Madhu V T, Director (on contract), Kerala University Computer Center, by accepting the remarks of the Finance Officer.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# $Item\ No.06.53.17$ കേരള സർവകലാശാല പ്രസ്സ് - ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് 2022-23 വർഷത്തെ പെർഫോമൻസ് അലവൻസും, എക്സ്-ഗ്രേഷ്യ അലവൻസും അനുവദിക്കുന്നത് സംബന്ധിച്ച്.

(Ad BIII)

26.08.2023 തീയതിയിലെ സ.ഉ.(സാധാ) നം.97/2023/SPDഎന്ന സർക്കാർ ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം അച്ചടി വകപ്പിലെ ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് 2022-23 സാമ്പത്തിക വർഷത്തെ പെർഫോമൻസ് അലവൻസും എക്സ്ഗ്രേഷ്യ അലവൻസും, നിലവിലുള്ള വ്യവസ്ഥകൾക്ക് വിധേയമായി, 2021-22 വർഷത്തിൽ അനവദിച്ച അതേ നിരക്കിൽ അതായത്, മൊത്തം അടിസ്ഥാന ശമ്പളത്തിന്റെയും ക്ഷാമബത്തയുടെയും 10% അല്ലെങ്കിൽ കഴിഞ്ഞ വർഷം ലഭിച്ച അലവൻസിന്റെ 10%, ഇതിൽ ഏതാണോ കൂടുതൽ ആ തുക പെർഫോമൻസ് അലവൻസായും, എക്സ്ഗ്രേഷ്യ അലവൻസായി 1000 ത്രപയും അനവദിക്കുന്നതിന് സർക്കാർ അനമതി നൽകിയിരിക്കുന്നു.

ഓരോ വർഷവും പെർഫോമൻസ് അലവൻസ് ലഭിക്കാൻ അർഹരായ സർവ്വകലാശാല പ്രസ് ജീവനക്കാരുടെ പട്ടിക സമർപ്പിക്കാൻ പ്രസ് സൂപ്രണ്ടിനെ ചുമതലപ്പെടുത്തുന്നതിനും, അപ്രകാരം സൂപ്രണ്ട് നിർദ്ദേശിക്കുന്ന, സർവ്വകലാശാല പ്രസിലെ യോഗ്യരായ ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് 29.03.1989 തീയതിയിലെ G.O M.S No.67/89/H.Ed എന്ന സർക്കാർ ഉത്തരവിലെ നിബന്ധനകൾക്ക് വിധേയമായി, പെർഫോമൻസ് അലവൻസ് അനുവദിക്കുന്നതിനും 23.08.2018 തീയതിയിലെ Ad.DIII.1.40511/2018എന്ന സർവകലാശാല ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം വ്യവസ്ഥ ചെയ്തിരുന്നു. അതിൻപ്രകാരം, സർവകലാശാല പ്രസ്സിലെ ജീവനക്കാരിൽ 2022-23 സാമ്പത്തിക വർഷത്തെ അലവൻസുകൾ ലഭിക്കാൻ അർഹരായ ജീവനക്കാരുടെ പേരുവിവരങ്ങൾ പ്രസ് സൂപ്രണ്ട് ഇൻ-ചാർജ് ലഭ്യമാക്കിയിരുന്നു.

സർവകലാശാല പ്രസ്സിലെ ജീവനക്കാരിൽ, പ്രസ് സൂപ്രണ്ട് ഇൻ-ചാർജ് ശിപാർശ ചെയ്തിരുന്ന അർഹരായ ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് താഴെ പറയുന്ന പ്രകാരം പെർഫോമൻസ്, എക്സ്-ഗ്രേഷ്യ അലവൻസുകൾ അനുവദിക്കാം എന്ന് ഓഡിറ്റ് II സെക്ഷൻ സാക്ഷ്യപ്പെടുത്തിയിരുന്നു.

പ്രസ്സ് സൂപ്രണ്ടിന്റെ ശുപാർശയുടെയും ഓഡിറ്റ് II വിഭാഗത്തിന്റെ പരിശോധനയുടെയും അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ, 26.08.2023 തീയതിയിലെ സ.ഉ.(സാധാ) നം.97/2023/SPDഎന്ന സർക്കാർ ഉത്തരവിൽ വൃവസ്ഥ ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്നത് പ്രകാരം, സർവകലാശാല പ്രസ്സിലെ അർഹരായ ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് 2022-23 സാമ്പത്തിക വർഷത്തെ പെർഫോമൻസ്, എക്സ്-ഗ്രേഷ്യ അലവൻസുകൾ അനുവദിക്കാവുന്നതാണെന്ന് ഫിനാൻസ് I സെക്ഷൻ അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടിരുന്നു.

ക്രമ നമ്പ ർ	പേര്	തസ്തിക	തിരിച്ചറിയ ൽ നമ്പർ	പെർഫോമൻ സ് അലവൻസ്	എക്സ്- ഗ്രേഷ്യ അലവൻ സ്	നികുതി അടക്കമുള ള തുക	റിമാർക്സ്
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2	വിനോദ് കുമാർ വി	അഡ്മിനിസ്ലേറ്റീവ് ഒാഫീസർ	4530	92405	1000	93405	01.03.2023 ന് അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് രജിസ്മാർ ആയി സ്ഥാനക്കയറ്റം ലഭിച്ചു.

3	ഏയ്ഞ്ചൽ ജെനീഫ കെ എസ്	അസിസ്റ്റന്റ്	6659	52001	1000	53001	
4	എസ് രാജശേഖരൻ	ജനറൽ ഫോർമാൻ	4391	113634	1000	114634	30.04.2023 ന് സർവീസിൽ നിന്ന് വിരമിച്ചു.
5	എം.പി കൃഷ്ണകമാരി	സീനിയർ ഫോർമാൻ	4479	97584	1000	98584	31.05.2023 ന് സർവീസിൽ നിന്ന് വിരമിച്ചു.
6	എ.എം സക്കീർ	സീനിയർ ഫോർ മാൻ	4407	108284	1000	109284	
7	എസ്.നസറു ദ്ദീൻ	സീനിയർ ഫോർമാൻ	4486	103362	1000	104362	
8	ആർ.ജോർജ് തോമസ്	സീനിയർ ഫോർ മാൻ	4406	108284	1000	109284	
9	എസ്.കവിത	ജ്രനിയർ ഫോർമാൻ	4409	103148	1000	104148	
10	കെ.ഹരികുമാ ർ	സീനിയർ ഫോർമാൻ	4392	111066	1000	112066	
11	പി.എസ് രാജൻ	ജ്രനിയർ ഫോർമാൻ	4390	93925	1000	94925	
12	എ.ജെ മാന്ദവൽ ദാസ്	ജ്രനിയർ ഫോർമാൻ	4393	103362	1000	104362	
13	ഡി.പ്രേമകമാ രി	ജ്രനിയർ ഫോർമാൻ	4491	93925	1000	94925	
14	എ.വി ശ്രീലക്ഷ്മി	ജ്രനിയർ ഫോർമാൻ	4410	100858	1000	101858	
15	ആർ.എസ് രാജൻ	കമ്പ്യൂട്ടർ സീനിയർ ഗ്രേഡ്	4524	68641	1000	69641	
16	എൽ ജാക്സൺ	കമ്പോസിറ്റർ സീനിയർ ഗ്രേഡ്	4485	91613	1000	92613	31.05.2023ന് സർവീസിൽ നിന്ന് വിരമിച്ചു.
17	ഷീജ.വി.നാ യർ	ബൈൻഡർ സീനിയർ ഗ്രേഡ്	4425	98256	1000	99256	
18	ബി.എസ് ഉദയഗീത	കമ്പോസിറ്റർ സീനിയർ ഗ്രേഡ്	4477	96621	1000	97621	
19	ജെ.എസ് ബിജ്ഛ	പ്രിന്റർ സീനിയർ ഗ്രേഡ്	4398	96236	1000	97236	
20	എം.ആർ ജയശങ്കർ	ബൈൻഡർ സീനിയർ ഗ്രേഡ്	4401	96043	1000	97043	
21	കമാരി സിന്ധു സി	ബൈൻഡർ സീനിയർ ഗ്രേഡ്	4467	81309	1000	82309	
22	രവി.എസ്സ്	സെക്യൂരിറ്റി ഗാർഡ്	5209	29639	1000	30639	01.03.2023 ന് സർവകലാശാല ലൈബ്രറിയിലേ ക്ക് സ്ഥലം മാറ്റപ്പെട്ടു.

ബഹ്മാനപ്പെട്ട വൈസ് ചാൻസലറുടെ ഉത്തരവിന് പ്രകാരം, സർക്കാർ അച്ചടി വകപ്പിലെ ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് 26.08.2023 തീയതിയിലെ സ.ഉ.(സാധാ) നം.97/2023/SPD എന്ന സർക്കാർ ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം അനവദിക്കാൻ വ്യവസ്ഥ ചെയ്തിരിക്കുന്ന 2022-23 സാമ്പത്തിക വർഷത്തെ പെർഫോമൻസ്, എക്സ്-ഗ്രേഷ്യ എന്നീ അലവൻസുകൾ, മേൽ ഉത്തരവിലെ വ്യവസ്ഥകൾ സർവകലാശാലയിൽ നടപ്പാക്കി, സർവകലാശാല പ്രസ്സിലെ അർഹരായ ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് കൂടി അനവദിക്കാൻ നടപടികൾ സ്വീകരിക്കണമെന്ന് ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ട് പ്രസ് സൂപ്രണ്ട് ഇൻ-ചാർജ് സമർപ്പിച്ച അപേക്ഷ സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ സ്ഥിരം സമിതിയുടെ പരിഗണനക്കായി സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to implement the G.O.(RT) No.97/2023/SPD dtd 26.08.2023 and to sanction performance allowance and exgratia allowance to eligible employees in the Kerala University press .

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.18 Inter University Centre for Genomics and Gene Technology (IUCGGT)-Approval of fee structure for utilizing the facilities in the Centre -reg.

(Ad H)

The Executive Committee meeting of Inter University Centre for Genomics and Gene Technology (IUCGGT) held on 08.03.2023 decided to collect fund for IUCGGT through Genomic Research Services and the Director was assigned to prepare nominal rate/ fees for the same. Hence, the Director, IUCGGT, vide letter No.CGGT/KU/82/2023 dated 31.05.2023, has forwarded a fee structure for utilizing the facilities (14 instruments) in the Centre (Table 1) and has requested administrative sanction for the same.

The rates fixed by CLIF for similar / same instruments are also shown in Table 2, for comparison.

Table 1: Payment for Utilizing the facilities in IUCGGT, Kariavattom.

	Instrument	Amount in Rupees					
Sl.	used for	KU	K.U	Other	R&D	Industry/	
No.	Analysis	Departments	Affiliated	Academic	Institutions	Startups	
			Colleges	Institutions			
1	Spectrophotome ter/ hr	100	250	250	250	300	
	Bio	100	250	250	250	350	
2	spectrophotomet er/ hr						
	RTPCR	250	500	500	500	600	
3	(for Single Run)						
4	Gel Imaging System/hr	100	250	250	250	300	
5	Conventional PCR (for Single Run)	150	250	250	250	300	
6	Lyophiliser / sample	250	400	400	400	500	
7	Micro Plate reader/ hr	200	250	250	250	300	
		500/-	600/-	600/-	600/-	600/-	
		2 hrs for	2 hrs for	2 hrs for	2 hrs for	2 hrs for	
		every	every	every	every	every	
8	Flowcytometry	additional	additional	additional	additional	additional	
	·	hour 300/-	hour 300/-	hour 300/-	hour 300/-	hour 300/-	
		each	each	each	each	each	

	Instrument	Amount in Rupees					
			Other Facilities	3			
9	Plant Tissue Culture Facility (1 month)	500	1000	1000	1000	1500	
10	Cell Culture Facility (1 month)	1000	2000	2000	2000	2500	
11	Orbital Shaker (1 week)	500	1000	1000	1000	1200	
12	HPLC	500/- per sample	1000/- per sample	1000/- per sample	1000/- per sample	1200/- per sample	
13	Inverted Microscope/hr	100	250	250	250	300	
14	Fluorescence Microscope	150 2 hrs	250 2 hrs	250 2 hrs	250 2 hrs	300 2 hrs	

<sup>\*</sup>Additional Facilities available/ Basic Instruments (free of cost): Cooling Centrifuge, Incubator, PH meter, Oven, – 20°C or -80 °C (Storage), Autoclave, Mini Spin, Vortex Mixture

Table 2: Payment for Utilizing the facilities in CLIF, Kariavattom

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	Instrume	ent used for			Amount	in Rupees		
Sl.	An	alysis	KU	K.U	Other	R&D	Industry/	
No			Depart	Affiliated	Academic	Institutions	Startups	
			ments	Colleges	Institutions		_	
1	F	T-IR	100	200	400	800	1000	
	Spectro	photometer						
2	UV-Visible	Near Infrared	100	200	400	800	1000	
	Spectro	photometer						
3	HPLC (Co	mparison with	1000	1500	2000	2500	3500	
	standard (s	ample 1 line +						
	standa	rd 1 line)						
4	Spectral	Confocal	300	500	700	800	1000	
	Confocal	imaging/						
	Microscope	sample						
		Live cell	500	700	800	900	1100	
		imaging						
5	Scanning	AFM	350	550	1500	2000	2500	
	probe	Imaging						
	Microscope	otherthan	550	850	2000	2500	3500	
		AFM						
6	Scanning	4 images/	550	750	1500	2000	2500	
	Electron	sample						
	Microscope	EDX	350	600	1000	1500	2000	

As per the orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the matter regarding the approval of fee structure for utilizing the facilities in IUCGGT, University of Kerala, Kariavattom duly forwarded by the Hon. Director, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to defer the item to the next Committee.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.19

Minutes of the Meeting convened by the Controller of Examinations held on 12.09.2023 - Payment of Chairman's fee for all examinations - Clarification - Consideration - reg:-

(M&CI)

A meeting was convened by the Controller of Examinations on 12.09.2023 in order to discuss the clarification sought by the Audit section on the payment of Chairman's fee as per the U.O. No. M&C.I.2/1972/2020 dated 19.10.2020.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the Minutes (appended) of the meeting convened by the Controller of Examinations held on 12.09.2023 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

## Minutes of the meeting in connection with the Chairman's fee for all Examinations

Date&Time : 12.09.2023; 12 Noon Venue : Office of the CE

#### **Officers Present**

1. Prof. (Dr.) N. Gopakumar Controller of Examinations

2. Sri. R. Mahadevan Finance Officer

3. Sri. Hiran G Joint Registrar, Finance

4. Smt. Amruthakumari P V
5. Smt. Anitha M S
DR EB & M&C
AR, Audit IV

6. Smt. Anitha Moly John SO, Audit IV(a)

The Meeting commenced at 11:30 am.

The meeting was conducted in order to discuss the clarification sought by the Audit section on the payment of Chairman's fee as per the U.O. No. M&C.1.2/1972/2020 dated 19.10.2020.

The meeting analysed the above U.O in detail and the following observations were made.

- 1. As per U.O. No. M&C.1.2/1834/2018 dated 14.06.2018, Chairmen will be paid Rs.4000/- as Chairman's fee and Rs. 1/- per paper in excess of total of 4000 papers for all examinations under his/ her chairmanship.
- 2. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 24.08.2020 considered the matter of imposing restriction on Chairman's fee for minor examinations where the number of candidates is less than 10 and resolved to restrict the Chairman's fee for all examinations as detailed below and U.O was issued (U.O. No. M&C.1.2/1972/2020 dated 19.10.2020).

Number of candidates	Chairman's fee
1-10	1000
11-100	2000
More than 100	4000

- 3. On analysing the above two orders, it is evident that there is an ambiguity between the above two orders.
- 4. By virtue of the third clause of the U.O. M&C.1.2/1972/2020 dated 19.10.2020 (More than 100 candidates Chairman's fee is Rs. 4000/-), the effect of this U.O seems to be extended to the U.O. No. M&C.1.2/1834/2018 dated 14.06.2018, even though the scope of the former one is exclusively for minor examinations. This has led to the confusion in disbursing the payment of Chairman's fee for all examinations.
- 5. Also in the U.O. M&C.1.2/1972/2020 dated 19.10.2020, the Chairman's fee is based on the number of candidates whereas the another one is based on the number of answerbooks. In the above context, the meeting put forward the following different proposals:
  - a) The Chairman's fee for all examinations may be fixed as detailed below:

Number of answerscripts	Chairman's fee in Rs.		
1-100	1000/-		
101-1000	2000/-		
1001-2000	3000/-		
2001-4000	4000/-		
More than 4000	4000/-+ Rs. 1/- per paper in excess of total of 4000 papers		

OR

b) The Chairman's fee may be paid as per the UO M&C.1.2/1834/2018 dated 14.06.2018

after cancelling the UO dated 19.10.2020 considering the fact that role of Chairman in the valuation process of examinations, whether it is major or minor is highly esteemed and responsible one.

Based on the outcome of the Syndicate resolution, bills yet to be submitted and bills already endorsed in accordance with the U.O. M&C.1.2/1972/2020 dated 19.10.2020 be permitted to re-audit/re-endorse, if necessary.

The meeting came to an end at 01:00 pm.

The Committee examined the proposals submitted by the Controller of Examinations and Finance Officer in detail and recommended to fix the chairman's fee for all examiners (except the Fine arts courses and B.Des programme) be fixed as follows:

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Number of answerscripts	Chairman's fee (in Rs.)
1-100	1000
101-1000	2000
1001-2000	3000
2001-4000	4000
More than 4000	4000+ Rs. 1/- per paper in excess of total of 4000 papers

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.20 Department of Zoology - Appointment of two more Assistant Professors on contract - Request - Reg.

(Ad DI)

The Professor & Head, Department of Zoology, Kariavattom, has informed that the sanctioned strength of faculties in the Department is 8 (eight) and at present, only 5 faculties (4 permanent faculty and 1 contract staff) are working in the Department (UGC insists a minimum of 7 faculty). It is also informed that the shortage of faculty will seriously hamper the teaching process in the Department.

The vacancy position in the Department of Zoology are as follows:

SI. No.	Post	Sanctioned	Filled	Vacancy		
1	Assistant Professor	5	4	1		
2	Associate Professor	2	Nil	2		
3	Professor	1	Nil	1		
	Total	8	4	4		
	Assistant Professor on contract					
	3					

At present, there is no existing rank list for the appointment of Assistant Professor on contract basis, in the Department. The Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the request before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Accordingly, the matter regarding the appointment of 2 new contract Assistant Professors in the Department of Zoology as requested by the HOD, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to engage one Assistant Professor on contract basis in the Department of Zoology, by issuing fresh notification.

The Committee further recommended to constitute a Selection Committee with following members for selection to the post of Assistant Professor on contract basis in the Department of Zoology.

- 1. Adv Muralidharan Pillai G., Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate
- 2. Registrar
- 3. Head, Department of Zoology
- 4. Subject Expert

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.21 Shortage of Messengers at the C D Unit – exploring the possibilities of appointing Messengers on contract basis reg.

(Ad AII)

The CD Unit has informed that, they are facing acute shortage of Messengers in the CD Unit. In connection to this it may be noted that at present there are only two Office Attendants in the University. On verifying the old files, it is seen that peons including retired hands were earlier posted as Messengers at the CD Unit. Afterwards, due to the insufficient strength of Class IV Employees, Casual Messengers were being engaged from the list of persons forwarded by the CD Unit from the Rank List of Casual Labourers, issued by Ad AVIII Section and at present 6 Casual Messengers are working in the CD Unit, in this manner, for spells of 89 days and they are being paid the same wages as that of Casual Labourers i.e. @Rs. 675/- per day subject to a monthly maximum of Rs.18,225/-.

Later CD Unit requested to engage two more Casual Messengers, but the list submitted by them did not have sufficient eligible candidates. Hence considering the urgency, Ad AVIII Section was requested to post two Casual Labourers for performing the duties of Messengers. Accordingly Ad AVIII Section had initially posted two female Casual Labourers and later considering the nature of work at the CD Unit two Male Casual Labourers have been posted in their place.

Subsequently willingness were invited from Office Attendants for being posted as messengers at CD Unit, but no applications were received. But in the meantime, the Examination Wing reported the urgent need of two Messengers at the C D Unit, before the Registrar. And accordingly Clerical Assistants were posted at the C D unit on Work Arrangement basis but they were later allowed to continue at their earlier Sections, as per the requests of their superior officers. The Controller of Examinations recommended to appoint two Messengers in the C D Unit either on permanent or provisional basis considering the exigency. A request for appointing 3 messengers at the CD Unit, citing the shortage of messengers has been again forwarded from the office of the C E.

Here, it may be noted that, the service of Messengers is inevitable at the C D Unit for the smooth conduct of the examination works. The duties of Messengers are distributing question papers and blank answer sheets to the Examination Centres; collecting answer sheets back from the Examination Centres; distributing answer sheets for home valuation & re-valuation and to the CV Camps and collecting them back; distributing Hall Tickets, Nomination Rolls, QC, Mark Lists and Provisional Certificates to the various colleges, etc.

Here, it may be noted that, there is no post named 'Messenger' in the Kerala University First Ordinances, 1978. As per Sub-Clause (XV) of Clause 2 of Statute 17, Chapter 2 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977 coolies shall be engaged for carrying out office work on a casual basis and not on monthly or other long term or semi long term basis.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of exploring the possibility of appointing Messengers on contract basis is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to engage 3 Casual Labourers on daily wage basis to perform the duties of Messenger in the CD Unit

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.22 Renaming of UGC - Human Resource Development Centre as Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC) - Request – reg.

(Ad AII)

The Director (i/c), UGC HRDC has informed that, Hon'ble Minister for Education, Shri. Dharmendra Pradhan launched the Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programme (MMTTC) on 5<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2023. The University Grants Commission in its meeting held on 20th Sept, 2023 have noted the renaming of 111 Centres as Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC). In this regard the Centres which were formerly known as UGC-Human Resource Development Centre has been renamed as Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC) and will be conducting the Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programmes with the aim of improving quality of education at all

levels by maintaining quality and excellence in the Higher Education system. Hence the Director (i/c), UGC-HRDC has requested to take necessary steps regarding the renaming of UGC-HRDC as MMTTC at the earliest.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request to rename the UGC HRDC, University of Kerala as Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre (MMTTC) is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

Item No.06.53.23

University Engineering Unit-Complaint from the Mechanical Engineer on insubordination of Sri. Shaijumon P.S, AC (Refrigeration) Mechanic on contract basis and complaint from Sri. Shaijumon P S against Mechanical Engineer -reg.

(Ad DII)

The University Engineer forwarded a complaint via e-mail dated 23.08.2023 (appendix 1) from Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) on insubordination, dereliction of duty and unauthorised absence in r/o Sri.Shaijumon P S, AC (Refrigeration) Mechanic on contract basis at the University Engineering Unit. A memo dated 11.09.2023 was issued to Sri.Shaijumon P S seeking explanation regarding the matter and Sri.Shaijumon P S has submitted explanation dated 18.09.2023 (appendix 2).

Meanwhile a complaint dated 13.09.2023 (appendix 03) was submitted by Sri.Shaijumon P S against Sri. Sandeep Krishnan R, Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) that he is being tortured, threatened and not allowed to work securely. Report on the same was sought from the Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) and he has submitted the report dated 09.10.2023 (appendix 04).

The University Engineer vide letter dated 15.09.2023 reported that Sri.Shaijumon P S was sought explanation on an earlier incident of non attendance of duty on time on 25.03.2022 and observing it as dereliction of duty and insubordination, he had been warned to refrain from such actions in future. But later also dereliction of duty in r/o him was reported by the Mechanical Engineer on 21.02.2023 and the matter was resolved by directly talking to both.

As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor the matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to hear the Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) and Sri. Shaijumon P S, AC (Refrigeration) Mechanic on contract basis, by this Committee

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.24

Constituting a Panel of Guest Lecturers for M.Com Rural Management Programme at University of Kerala Study and Research Centre, Alappuzha – reg.

(Ad AVI)

The Hon. Director, University of Kerala Study and Research Centre, Alappuzha has informed that the M.Com Rural Management Course offered at the centre has a total intake of 40 students in two batches in a year and three Assistant Professors on contract basis is handling classes for them. Among those, 2 teachers will avail maternity leave in the upcoming months. Hence the Director has suggested to constitute a panel of Guest Lecturers for further appointment of teachers for conducting the PG classes smoothly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the Director, University of Kerala Study and Research Centre, Alappuzha was authorised to prepare a panel of Guest Lectures for the smooth conduct of classes for M.Com Rural Management programme offered at the centre, following the usual procedure and UGC guidelines.

The Department council at it's meeting held on 08.09.2023 discussed the matter regarding the conduct of interview for constituting a panel of Guest Lecturers for handling M.Com Rural Management programme and resolved to conduct certificate verification and interview as per UGC regulation 2018 (U.O. No. Ac.FII/General/UGC-R-2018/2019 dated 09.09.2021) on 20.09.2023 and nominated Dr. Suleena V.S, Prof. & Head, Department of Commerce, St. Joseph's College for Women as the subject expert for the conduct of interview. Permission was given to conduct the interview for preparing panel of Guest Lecturers for M.Com Rural Management Programme at University of Kerala Study and Research Centre, Alappuzha. 15 candidates were selected to be included in the panel of Guest Lecturers. Now the Director, has forwarded the panel of Guest Lecturers (Copy attached) for approval.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding the approval of Panel of Guest Lecturers for handling M.Com Rural Management programme offered in the University of Kerala Study and Research Centre, Alappuzha, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to approve the Panel of Guest Lecturers forwarded by the Hon. Director, University of Kerala Study and Research Centre, Alappuzha, for handling M.Com Rural Management programme offered at the centre for one year

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.25

Department of Environmental Sciences - Request of Dr. Sherly Williams. E., Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Sciences to Protect her Pay in the University – reg.

(Ad DIII)

Dr. Sherly Williams E., Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Sciences, vide letter dated 23.08.2023, has submitted her Last Pay Certificate issued by the Principal, Fathima Mata National College, Kollam and requested to protect her Pay, as per the Last Pay Certificate issued from her previous institution.

It may be noted that, Dr. Sherly Williams E, was appointed as Associate Professor in the Department of Environmental Sciences w.e.f. 16.03.2020 AN, subject to the final disposal of the WP(C)No.s.39309/2017(PIL),1592/2018,4592/2018 and 8334/2018 before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, as per U.O. No.Ad AII.2/10853/20 dated 23.04.2020. Her period of probation in the post of Associate Professor was declared to have completed satisfactorily on 16.03.2021 FN, as per UO No.6301/2021/UOK dated 17.11.2021. Prior to joining University of Kerala, Dr. Sherly Williams E., had been working as Associate Professor from 17.01.2000 at Fatima Mata National College, Kollam. Her prior service was reckoned as qualifying service for granting pensionary benefits as per UO No.7237/2021/UOK dated 15.12.2021.

Based on the above details, Finance III has remarked the follows:

- i) The Syndicate of the University is the authority to fix the starting pay of a teacher.
- ii) As per the last pay certificate signed by the Principal, Fathima Mata National College, Kollam, the last pay granted to Dr. Sherly Williams E., Dept of. Environmental Sciences in the post of Professor is Rs.1,53,000/- (Academic Level 14). If the last pay is protected in University, her pay arrives at Rs.1,52,300/- (Academic Level 13 A) +700 Personal Pay which shall be absorbed on accrual of future increment.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request submitted by Dr. Sherly Williams E., Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Sciences, to Protect her Pay as per the Last Pay Certificate signed by the Principal, Fathima Mata National College, Kollam, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to fix the initial pay in respect of Dr. Sherly Williams E., Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Science at Rs.1,52,300/-(Academic Level 13 A)+700 Personal Pay, as per the Last Pay Certificate signed by the Principal, Fathima Mata National College, Kollam.

Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to entrust the Finance Officer to submit a report on the matter and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

Item No.06.53.26 Department of Music - Request for granting Higher Grade in r/o Sri. Syama Krishnan R., Instructor (Rtd.) - reg.

(Ad DIII)

The Head, Department of Music, vide letter dated 19.12.2022, had forwarded a request from Sri. Syama Krishnan R., Instructor, Dept of Music, for granting Higher Grade. Sri. Syama Krishnan R. has stated that, even though he had been working as an Instructor in the Department since 18.03. 2010 and had completed eight years of service he has not been granted Higher Grade. Hence, he has requested to grant him the benefits of upgradation, at the earliest.

Sri. Syama Krishnan R. was appointed as Instructor in the Dept of Music w.e.f 18.03.2010 in the scale of pay of Rs.18740-33680 vide U.O.No.AdAV.3.513/10 dated 17.04.2010. On his request, the Finance has remarked the following:

- 1. as per rules, the first Time Bound Higher Grade is granted on completion of 8 years of service in the entry post, here Sri. Syama Krishnan R. has completed 8 years of service only on 24/05/2018 as he had availed 67 days of LWA in different spells (67 days upto 18/03/2018) extending the date of first TBHG to 24/05/2018.
- 2. the existing scale of pay of Sri. Syama Krishnan R. on 24/05/2018 is Rs. 35700-75600 and the first TBHG applicable under Table II, Annexure-III of G.O. (P) No.10/2016/Fin. dated 21/01/2016(PR-2014 orders) is Rs. 39500-83000.
- 3. Sri.Syama Krishnan R. may be granted the first Time Bound Higher Grade in the scale of pay of Rs. 39500-83000 with effect from 24/05/2018.

The date of superannuation of Sri. Syama Krishna R was on 30.04.2023. In the meanwhile, Sri.Syama Krishnan R. had filed WP(C) 21051/2023 for allowing him to continue in service till 60 years of age, taking into consideration that an Instructor of the Department is a Teacher, but the petition was dismissed. Now, he has filed a Writ Appeal dtd 10.10.2023 against the Judgement dated 07.08.2023.

As per the orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the matter of granting First Time Bound Higher Grade in the Scale of pay of Rs.39500-83000, to Sri. Syama Krishnan R., with effect from 24/05/2018, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant First Time Bound Higher Grade in the Scale of pay of Rs. 39500-83000, to Sri. Syama Krishnan R., Instructor, Dept of Music with effect from 24/05/2018, as per norms and rules.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.27 By Transfer appointment to the post of Clerical Assistant – Request received from Sri. Mohammed Aalim. K, Office Attendant- Consideration of -reg.

(AdAI)

Sri. Mohammed Aaalim.K., who has been granted Employment Assistance as Office Attendant under Compassionate Employment scheme vide U.O. No. Ad.AIII.1/EA/1/617/2021 dated 29/12/2021 and joined duty w.e.f 16.04.2022 F.N.vide U.O. No. Ad.AII/2(1)/2022 dated 9/06/2022, has requested for By Transfer Promotion to the post of Clerical Assistant, as he has completed the requisite Probation period in the post of Office Attendant, as on 16.04.2023 F.N.

The Finance has remarked that - "Sri.Mohammed Aalim K. was appointed as Office Attendant on 16.04.2022 F.N. and his probation in the present post has been declared on 16.04.2023 F.N. The details of age, qualification and leave are verified with the entries in Service Book. The matter of granting Promotion to employees subject to their eligibility is purely administrative. Finance places no objection on granting eligible Promotion to Sri.Mohammed Aalim K., Office Attendant as Clerical Assistant."

The method of recruitment of Clerical Assistant as per Amendment No.131, Schedule to Chapter XVII of the Kerala University First Ordinances, 1978, is as follows:

Age	Qualifications		Method of Recruitment			
	General	Technical	Method of Rectulinent			
Not morethan	Pass in SSLC	Good	By competitive test and/or interview or by			
35 years	Examination	Handwriting				

The following details may be noted in respect of Sri. Mohammed Aaalim K.;

Age – 21 years and 11 months (D.O.B-14.10.2001)

Qualification – Passed SSLC Examination in 2019

Technical Qualification – Hand writing test in English & Malayalam with maximum marks of 20 with duration of 15 minutes for effecting promotions from the post of Office Attendant to the post of Clerical Assistant, in accordance with the U.O No.Ad.A1.2/51461/2018 dated 06.04.2019; which was conducted by the Controller of Examinations on 15.09.2023 and reported that he had Secured "15" marks out of "20"in the handwriting test.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the proposal for By Transfer promotion to the post of Clerical Assistant in respect of Sri. Mohammed Aalim K., Office Attendant, in the existing vacancy (owing to the retirement of Sri. Gilbert Robin D.(3790), Clerical Assistant on 31.05.2020),on the strength of the remarks of Finance, result of the 'Handwriting Test' and in accordance with the method of recruitment of Clerical Assistants stipulated under 'Amendment No. 131, Schedule to Chapter XVII of the Kerala University First Ordinances, 1978 (i.e., by promotion from the cadre of Last Grade Servants, as no direct recruitment is being conducted for the post)'; as on verification of his Service Book, it is seen that his age is less that 35 years (21 years and 9 months), he has passed the SSLC in 2019 & his Probation in the post of Office Attendant has been declared on 16.04.2023 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant by transfer promotion to Sri. Mohammed Aalim K., Office Attendant to the post of Clerical Assistant in accordance with the method of recruitment of Clerical Assistants stipulated under Amendment No. 131, Schedule to Chapter XVII of the Kerala University First Ordinances, 1978 and on the strength of the remarks of Finance.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved as per the rules and norms of the University.

# Item No.06.53.28 Request for availability of land for Solar fed Electric Vehicle Charging – reg.

(Ad BI)

Smart City, Thiruvananthapuram Limited has been undertaking various projects in the city aimed at improving green and sustainable mobility. In continuation of the same, they have expressed their willingness for implementing an EV charging station project in the University campus:

The highlights of the project are summarised as follows:

- Station 30\*28m (approx.) paving with interlock tiles.
- 16 vehicles (fast and Slow configuration) can be charged at time on 24\*7 fashion.
- All type of digital payment facility.
- 'V' type canopy with 25kWp solar on the roof to offset the energy consumption.
- Station surveillance with bullet proof camera with remote monitoring at integrate control and command centre of Smart city.
- Built in power packed substation for reliable power to the station.
   Project fund 100% owned by Smart City including 5 years of O&M.

Smart City, Thiruvananthapuram Limited has requested to convey the availability of the required land of the above size in University premises to realise the project.

As per orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended not to concede the request received from Smart City, Thiruvananthapuram Limited for implementing an EV charging station project in the University campus

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to constitute a sub-committee consisting of Adv. G. Muralidharan, Dr.K.G. Gopachandran, Members Syndicate and Registrar to have a detailed discussion on the proposal and submit a report before the Standing Committee of the Sydicate on Planning & Development.

Item No.06.53.29 Department of Law - Request to Appoint two faculties (on contract basis) - reg.

(Ad FII)

The Department of Law is offering three courses namely LLM,PG Diploma in Human Rights & Ph. D.at present and is having two permanent faculty members and two contract faculty members. The Student Strength in the academic year 2023-24 is -50 students (LLM), 20 students (PG Diploma) and 10 students (Ph.D.).

The HOD has informed that, due to the increased student strength, the faculty members are finding it difficult to conduct the classes and has hence requested to appoint two more faculties on contract basis, for the smooth running of the Department. Also, the prevailing rank list of the Assistant professor (on Contract basis) has expired.

If the request for engaging two contract faculties in the Department is agreed to, a Selection Committee is to be made in the following pattern:

- 1. Any one Member, Syndicate, in the absence of the Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment and Buildings
- 2. Registrar
- 3. Head, Department of Law
- 4. Subject Expert/Faculty of the Department.

The Syndicate held on 04/10/2023, vide item No.04.08, considered the matter and resolved to refer the item to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

As per the orders of the Vice – Chancellor, the matter of engaging two contract faculties in the Department of Law, as requested by the HoD & constituting a Selection Committee thereon, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to engage one contract faculty in the Department of Law.

The Committee further recommended to constitute a Selection Committee with following members to engage one faculty on contract basis in the Department of Law.

- 1. Adv Muralidharan Pillai G., Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate
- 2. Registrar
- 3. Head, Department of Law
- 4. Subject Expert

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to nominate Dr. Rakendu. C.K., Assistant Professor, Department of Law as Subject Expert.

Item No.06.53.30

Accommodation issue of ICCR scholars of University of Kerala-Observations made by FRRO regarding Violation done by SSM Hostel Authorities-Report submitted by Dr.S.A.Shanavas, HoD, Linguistics-reg:-

(CGA)

The Foreigners Regional Registration Officer, Thiruvananthapuram, vide letter dated 30.08.2023 has reported that SSM Hostel, owned by Dr. S.A.Shanavas, Head of the Department, Linguistics, University of Kerala, had come to the notice of FRRO for violation of Section 7 of the Foreigners Act1946 in January 2023 on account of inordinate delay in submission of Form C as well as not uploading the departure details of the foreigners lodged in hostel. The FRRO, reported that even

after being given 4 opportunities Dr. Shanavas failed to do the needful and hence the FRRO cancelled SSM Hostel C FORM registration ID on March 16 2023.

FRRO reported that, instead of registering SSM Hostel with FRRO, Dr.Shanavas continued to accommodate the foreigners for more than 4 months and hence, local police have registered a case vide FIR No.1064/2023 dated 27.07.2023 u/s7 &14 of the Foreigners Act, 1946. Even after, Dr.Shanavas clandestinely registered another user ID with different address on 28.07.2023 under individual House category, which is meant for lodging guests in own house and with this new Form-C ID he uploaded details of eight foreign students who were residing at SSM Hostel as well as added 11 new foreign students. When it came to notice, the FRRO has cancelled the new user id and a notice under para 13 of Foreigners order, 1948 was served to Dr.S.A.Shanavas on August 25,2023, prohibiting him from providing accommodation to foreign students at his hostel/building.In addition, the FRRO brought to notice the following points

- Dr.Shanavas is running a business while in Government service which is also created a "conflict of interest situation" since Dr.Shanavas is a faculty member as well as accommodation provider to the foreign students.
- Dr.Shanavas has been running SSM Hostel without any license from the City corporation/ Local body and not paying tax license fee etc, which would be a loss to the public exchequer and hence it may be examined for violation under relevant service rules.

Based on the observations made by the FRRO, Thiruvanathapuram, the Registrar has ordered to seek report from Dr.S.A.Shanavas, HoD, Linguistics regarding the violation done by SSM Hostel run by him. In reply, Dr.S.A.Shanavas, vide letter dated 19.09.2023 has reported the following

- Dr.S.A. Shanavas stated that he is the title owner of the hostel building and its built in his hereditary property which is operated by his wife Ms.Reeja as her profession and often she seek help from him.
- Dr.S.A.Shanavas admitted that there is an issue related with property tax to be settled, because of that the license is pending. When the FRRO send mails/letters with the above Dr.Shanavas was admitted in hospital (MCH-TVPM) facing with severe health issues, and that's why neither he nor the proprietor could attend them in proper way.
- Dr.S.A.Shanavas stated as all the inmates in the hostel were ICCR scholars, and as he being a campus faculty, they consider him as their local guardian and he accepted it.
- Dr.S.A.Shanavas reported that if any delay from his part in adhering the instructions from FRRO is not intentional and hence requested that the same may be excused.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the above matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to direct Dr. S.A. Shanavas, Head, Department of Linguistics to appear before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate with relevant document, for hearing.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.31 Request received from Sri. Shyam Raj R.S., Assistant EG I(b) – release short film through social media – reg.

(PRO)

Sri. Shyamraj R.S., Assistant EG I (b) Section has made a short film against usage of drugs after obtaining due orders. This short film is shot in connection with "Lahari Mukta campaign". In his submission to the Registrar, Sri. Shyamraj has requested to grant permission to publish the short film through social media platforms. Registrar sought specific remarks of the PRO in this regard. The PRO proposed to constitute a Committee to vet the content of the short film and suggested the constituent members of the Committee. The Registrar has approved this proposal and the Committee was formed with the following members.

- 1. Prof. C.R. Prasad (HOD, Department of Kerala Studies)
- 2. Prof. A.M. Unnikrishnan (Dean, Oriental Studies)

- 3. Prof. Seema Jerome (HOD, Department of Malayalam)
- 4. Prof. M.A. Siddeek (Professor, Department of Malayalam) The decisions of the Committee are as follows:
- 1. Certain boards shown in the movie clearly indicate the locations of University premises. This may lead the way to wrong interpretation. This should be avoided.
- 2. In this short film the use of alcohol and drugs are shown in vivid detail. Many of the scenes necessitate statutory warning. This could be counterproductive and may invite criticism.
- 3. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and Syndicate Members may see this short film and take final decision on granting permission to publish the short film.

The Report was submitted to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor ordered to place the matter before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Hence the matter, along with the Report, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to display the short film before the Syndicate members and the Committee members constituted to vet the content of the short film for considering whether to give permission to publish the short film through social media platforms.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.32 Kerala University Press - Sri. Rajan P.S., Junior Foreman - Relieving from additional charge of Storekeeper - reg.

(Ad BIII)

Sri. Rajan P.S., Junior Foreman, Kerala University Press, has requested to relieve him of the additional charge of storekeeper at the University Press as he is retiring from service on 31.05.2024. Sri. Rajan P.S. was assigned to hold the additional charge of the Storekeeper of the University Press w.e.f. 01.04.2019, vide UO No. Ad DIII.I/7271/2019 dated 11.04.2019, and he assumed the charge w.e.f. 02.05.2019, vide Office Order dated 02.05.2019. After completing one year on the additional charge, he had requested, vide letters dated 04.05.2020 & 10.08.2020, to be relieved from the charge arrangement of the storekeeper.

Upon considering the matter, the meeting of the Syndicate held on 07.05.2021, vide Item No. 27.39.23, resolved to entrust the Registrar to take an appropriate decision on the matter and also to adopt measures to appoint storekeeper in the University Press on a permanent basis. Accordingly, as per the orders of the Registrar, Sri. P.S. Rajan was directed to continue holding the charge of the storekeeper until further orders. The Registrar has further ordered to initiate steps to include the post of storekeeper in the Kerala University First Ordinance and to appoint storekeeper on a permanent basis in the press. As per the orders of the Registrar, the matter was reported to the Syndicate. The sub-committee constituted to discuss the matter regarding the modernization of the University Press, at its meeting held on 06.05.2023 recommended commissioning an external expert to submit a report on the new staffing pattern to be implemented at the University Press after conducting a scientific work study. If the proposal to implement a new staffing pattern is approved, a new post of storekeeper may also be created along with it by making amendments accordingly to the Kerala University First Ordinance of 1978.

Now, Sri. P.S. Rajan, Junior Foreman, University Press, again requested to relieve him of the additional charge of storekeeper, University Press as he is on the verge of retirement. The Superintendent in Charge, Kerala University Press, vide letter dated 30.06.2023\_remarked that, it is with this limited number of only sixteen permanent staff that the routine work of the press is carried out without any delay, and assigning more additional duties on them may adversely affect the free flow of technical work

The details of employees in the post of Foreman at the University Press is given below.

Name of Section	Designation	Name of Employee	Date of Superannuation			
Composing Section	Senior Foreman	S. Nazarudeen	31.05.2028			
		D. Premakumari	31.01.2026			

	Junior Foreman	Vacant	-
		Vacant	-
Printing Section	Senior Foreman	K. Harikumar	30.11.2028
	Junior Foreman	P.S Rajan	31.05.2024
		A.J Manual Das	30.11.2023
Binding Section	Senior Foreman	R. George Thomas	30.04.2028
		S. Kavitha	31.05.2030
	Junior Foreman	A.V Sreelekshmi	31.05.2030
		C. Kumari Sindhu	31.05.2024

The Superintendent in Charge, Kerala University Press has recommended following proposals for consideration in connection with assigning\_the additional charge of the storekeeper at University Press.

- 1. Permanently post a storekeeper after creating a post of storekeeper.
- 2. Urgently post an Office Superintendent/Computer assistant at the Press Office and entrust the additional duty of Press store.
- 3. Select any one of the Senior Foreman/Junior Foreman, University Press and entrust the additional duty of Press store without affecting their normal duties.
- 4. The control of Press store & material management may be entrusted to the General Store Keeper/ Examination Store Keeper.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 12.10.2023 vide Item No.05.52.70, resolved to invite the Superintendent in Charge, Kerala University Press, in the next Standing Committee of the Syndicate for discussion.

Accordingly, vide letter No. 12276/Admn B III/2020/UOK dated 03.11.2023, the Superintendent in Charge, Kerala University Press, was requested to be present at the next meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate when the matter would be discussed.

Hence, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request in r/o Sri. P.S. Rajan, Junior Foreman, University Press, for relieving him of the additional charge of storekeeper, University Press, and the proposals regarding suitable alternative charge arrangements for the post of storekeeper at University Press, submitted by the Superintendent in Charge, Kerala University Press, are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to post one Computer Assistant in the Kerala University Press for handling the duty of Press store.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.53.33 Allotment of quarters – Veena mohan-reg.

(Ad BII)

Smt. Veena Mohan S, Section Officer, Accounts VI Section has requested to allot a quarters under special sanction basis, as she is undergoing treatment for Cervical and Lumbar Radiculopathy and she needs to avoid long travel as it aggravates the pain (Medical Certificate attached).

As per U.O.No.Ad.BII./1/10673/09/2018 dated 01.10.2018, which frames the combined rules for the allotment of residential quarters at Kariavattom, D type quarters are allocated to Section Officers/similar pay scales.

The Joint Registrar, Campus Administration has remarked that Smt. Veena Mohan is at 53<sup>rd</sup> position for allotment of D-Type quarters (allotment up to 22<sup>nd</sup> position is already done) and at present no unoccupied or fit for occupation 'D'-type quarters are available.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of allotting quarters to Smt. Veena Mohan S, Section Officer, Accounts VI A Section under special sanction basis is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to consider the request of Smt. Veena Mohan S, Section Officer, Accounts VI Section for alloting quarters, as per rules.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the

Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.53.34

Dept. of Geology - Engaging Dr. Rajesh H.M, Former Professor, Botswana International University of Science & Technology, as Adjunct Faculty in the Department - Request - Reg.

(Ad DI)

The Head, Dept. of Geology, vide letter dated 05.09.2023, has forwarded the request submitted by Dr. A. P. Pradeepkumar, Professor, for engaging Dr. Rajesh H M, Former Professor, Department of Earth Environmental Sciences, Botswana International University of Science & Technology, Botswana, as an Adjunct faculty in the Department, without any financial liability to University.

Dr. A.P. Pradeepkumar has stated that,

- Dr. Rajesh H.M. is a well-regarded Professor and Scientist, with exceptional research and teaching skills in Earth Sciences, especially in the field of Petrology.
- He has got a Scopus h-index of 25 (Copy of Author profile attached)
- He is the former Associate Editor of the prestigious Elsevier journal 'Precambrian Research'.
- He is an acknowledged expert in matters related to charnockites, the rocks which are widespread over Kerala.
- His wide collaborations with geologists across the world can be benefited by the faculty and students of the Department of Geology.
- He would also bring increased visibility to the Dept. of Geology in the international academic scenario as well as an overall increase in collaborative international projects, in which his expertise can be made use of.
- He has produced several Ph.Ds and guided students to great heights in studies and research.

He has also opined that the presence of Dr. Rajesh H.M. as adjunct faculty can act as a catalyst to attract more research talents to the department. The CV and the list of publications in r/o Dr. Rajesh H. M., forwarded by the HoD, is attached herewith.

The Department Council held on 04.09.2023, has also recommended to consider the name of Dr. Rajesh H. M. as an Adjunct Faculty in the Department.

The strength of the teaching staff in the Department is detailed below:

No.	Designation	Sanctioned	Permanent	Vacancy	Contract	Adjunct	Guest	Courses
110.		Strength	Faculty		Faculty	Faculty	Faculty	offered
1.	Assistant Professor	7	5	2				M.Sc.
2.	Associate Professor	2	2	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	Ph.D.
3.	Professor	NIL	NIL	NIL				

The matter was considered by the Syndicate at its meeting held on 04.10.2023, vide item no. 04.73 and it was referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Hence, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the proposal for engaging Dr. Rajesh H.M., former Professor, Dept. of Earth Environmental Sciences, Botswana International University of Science & Technology, Botswana, as an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Geology, for a period of 3 years without any financial commitment from part of University, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, for consideration & appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to approve the proposal for engaging Dr. Rajesh H.M., former Professor, Department of Earth Environmental Sciences, Botswana International University of Science & Technology, Botswana, as an Adjunct Professor in the Department of Geology, for a period of 3 years without any financial commitment from part of University.

Item No.06.53.35 Application for Leave Without Allowance for 5 years for joining spouse-Sri Shaiju S S (5800), Assistant (Sel.Gr.), Examination Store- reg.

(AdAI)

Sri Shaiju S S (5800), Assistant (Sel.Gr.), Examination Store has applied for Leave Without

Allowance for 5 years from 18.09.2023 to 17.09.2028 by prefixing 17.09.2023, for joining spouse, along with the requisite Non Liability Certificates from University Library, Kerala University Employees' Co-Operative Society, Kerala University Staff Housing Co-Operative Society & State Bank of India, KUOC Branch.

It may be noted that an incumbent may be granted LWA for joining Spouse up to 5 years, as per the provisions under 'Appendix XII C: Part I, KSR' and G.O.(P) No.152/2020/Fin dated 05.11.2020 subject to the following conditions:

- He will lose seniority during the currency of the period of leave, including seniority in the higher grade(s) with reference to his juniors who might get promoted to such grade(s) before he rejoins duty. He will also lose service benefits including Earned Leave, Pension, Gratuity, Increment etc during the period.
- He will not accept any other employment abroad/ within the country during the currency of the period of leave, without prior sanction from the University.
- If he does not report for duty on expiry of leave, his service in the University will be terminated.
- The maximum period of leave that can be granted will be five years during the entire period of service.
- The leave will not be allowed to be combined with any other kind of leave or vacation, except leave under Appendix XII A.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the proposal for granting Leave Without Allowance for 5 years from 18.09.2023 to 17.09.2028 (by prefixing 17.09.2023), for joining spouse, to Sri Shaiju S S (5800), Assistant (Sel.Gr.), as per the provisions under 'Appendix XII C: Part I, KSR' and the 'G.O.(P) No.152/2020/Fin dated 05.11.2020' and 'CHAPTER 4, Part IV, STATUTE 70 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977', is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant Leave Without Allowance (LWA) to Sri Shaiju S S (5800), Assistant (Sel.Gr.) for 5 years from 18.09.2023 to 17.09.2028 (by prefixing 17.09.2023), for joining spouse, as per the provisions under 'Appendix XII C: Part I, KSR' and the 'G.O.(P) No.152/2020/Fin dated 05.11.2020' and 'CHAPTER 4, Part IV, STATUTE 70 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977'.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to grant Leave Without Allowance (LWA) to Sri Shaiju S S (5800), Assistant (Sel.Gr.) for 5 years from 18.09.2023 to 17.09.2028 (by prefixing 17.09.2023), for joining spouse, as per the provisions under 'Appendix XII C: Part I, KSR' and the 'G.O.(P) No.152/2020/Fin dated 05.11.2020' and 'CHAPTER 4, Part IV, STATUTE 70 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977' as per the norms of the University.

Item No.06.53.36

Granting of Employment Assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme- Application from Ms.Radhika M.R, D/o the late G.K Moli, Population Information Officer, University of Kerala (died in harness on 13/05/2016) -consideration of-reg.

(Ad AIII)

Dr. G.K Moli, Population Information Officer, University of Kerala, died-in- harness on 13/05/2016.Dr. G.K Moli, joined Kerala University service on 14/09/1992 and had 24 years of Qualifying Service in University of Kerala.

Smt. Gopika Gopan, elder daughter of the late Dr.G.K Moli submitted application dated 30/04/2018 for employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme. Smt. Gopika Gopan, was intimated of rectifying the defects in the application vide letter dated 24/05/2018, but she had not cleared the same and accordingly the file was kept in abeyance.

Smt. Gopika Gopan vide letter dated 23/01/2021 requested to withdraw the application dated 30/04/2018 she had submitted for employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme. She also requested to grant employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme to her half sister, Ms. Radhika M R (younger daughter of the late Dr.G.K Moli).

Ms. Radhika M R, younger D/o the late Dr.G.K Moli, was minor at the time of demise of

Dr.G.K Moli. On the basis of Legal Heirship Certificate dated 21.11.2016 and Affidavit of consent dated 19/01/2021 submitted by Smt.Gopika Gopan (elder daughter of the late Dr. G.K Moli) Ms. Radhika M R, younger D/o the late Dr.G.K Moli was declared as the legal heir on the strength of Legal opinion dated 12/11/2021 from the Legal Adviser, which made her entitled to receive employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme.

Ms. Radhika M R submitted application dated 11/04/2023 for employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme, in the post of Office Attendant within the precribed time limit (as per U.O dated 28/10/1999, in the case of minor the time limit for preferring application for employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme is within 3 years after attaining majority ie, on or before 12/04/2023).

Ms. Radhika M R has submitted all the required documents (in original) prescribed for Compassionate employment Scheme as detailed below:

- 1. Death Certificate dated 19.05.2016 in respect of Smt.G.K Moli issued from Thiruvananthapuram Corporation.
- 2. Income Certificate No:161/2021 dated 22/01/2021 issued by the Village Officer Sasthamangalam Village Office, as per which the annual family income is Rs.3,60,000/(Rupees Three lakh and sixty thousand only)
- 3. Heirship Certificate No.G2-33129/16/D.Dis dated 21.11.2016 issued by the Tahsildar, Taluk Office, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 4. Consent Deed dated 19.01.2021 from Smt.Gopika Gopan in the form of affidavit issued by the Notary, authorising Ms. Radhika M R, younger daughter of late Dr.G.K Moli for employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme.
- 5. Consent Deed dated 19.01.2021 from Ms.Radhika M R in the form of affidavit issued by notary, expresing her willingness to protect the elder daughter (Smt.Gopika Gopan) of deceased upon receipt of employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme.
- 6. Original Certificates of SSLC and Plus Two.

Ms. Radhika M R has passed SSLC in March 2018 (Register Number:4300101), Plus Two in March 2020 (Register Number: 24604105) She is now 21 years old (Date of Birth 13/04/2002) and belongs to Hindu, Nair caste. As per her qualification at the time of submission of application for employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme she is eligible to be appointed as Office Attendant.

Finance places no objection on granting of employment assistance as Office Attendant to Ms.Radhika M R, daughter of the late Dr.G.K Moli,employment assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme subject to perusal of documents required for fulfiling eligibility conditions.

The Legal Adviser has opined that in the case of compassionate appointments the qualifications possessed by the applicant as on the date of submission of application is relevant and qualifications acquired subsequent to that date need not be taken into consideration and there is no legal impediment in appointing Ms. Radhika M R as Office Attendant.

Ad.AII section has reported that the total number of existing vacancies in the cadre of Office Attendant is 336 and Ad.H section has reported that no litigations exist against the appointment of the late Dr. G.K Moli, Population Information Officer in the Department of Demography.

As per orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the propsal for granting Employment Assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme to Ms. Radhika M R, D/o the Late Dr. G.K Moli, Population Information Officer, who died-in-harness on 13/05/2016 as Office Attendant is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recomendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant Employment Assistance under Compassionate Employment Scheme to Ms. Radhika M R,D/o the Late Dr. G.K Moli, Population Information Officer, who died-in-harness on 13/05/2016 as Office Attendant, as per norms and rules.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be approved.

amount of Rs.75,000/- (Rupees Seventy five thousand only) from the Department Development Fund(DDF) for the conduct of International Conference on Environmental Pollution and Health: Governance for a Sustainable Future (ICEGSF) - 2023 -Reg.

(Ad Misc)

The Head, Department of Environmental Sciences, vide UO No. Ad DIII/8753/2023/UOK dated 21.10.2023, has been permitted to conduct an International Conference on Environmental Pollution and Health: Governance for a Sustainable Future (ICEGSF) - 2023, in the Department, from 22.11.2023 to 24.11.2023, with Prof. (Dr.) Wilkister Moturi, Department of Environmental Sciences, Egerton University, Kenya, as invitee, to deliver the keynote address, without any financial commitment for University of Kerala towards her travel and other expenses in accordance with the resolution of the Syndicate vide Item No. 05.52 Additional Item No.01 of the minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate held on 12.10.2023.

The HoD vide letter no.41/R/ENS/2023-24 dated 25.09.2023 has requested to grant permission to release an amount of Rs.75,000/- (Rupees Seventy five thousand only) from the Department Development fund (DDF) for meeting expenditure towards the conduct of the ICEGSF 2023 Conference. The HoD further pointed out that the amount shall be repaid back as and when the fund is received from the concerned funding agencies.

The HoD vide letter no.42/R/ENS/2023-24 dated 09.10.2023 has informed that an amount of Rupees 1,25,000/- (Rupees One lakh twenty five thousand only) was sanctioned from Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment(KSCSTE) for the Conduct of the ICEGSF 2023 Conference.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding granting permission to the HoD. Department of Environmental Sciences to withdraw an amount of Rs.75,000/-(Rupees Seventy five thousand only) from the Department Development Fund(DDF) for meeting the expenditure towards the conduct of the "International Conference on Environmental Pollution and Health: Governance for a Sustainable Future (ICEGSF)" subject to the condition that the amount shall be recouped to the DDF as and when the sponsorship amount from the Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment(KSCSTE) is received ,is placed before the the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant permission to the Head, Department of Environmental Sciences to withdraw an amount of Rs.75,000/-(Rupees Seventy five thousand only) from the Department Development Fund(DDF) for meeting the expenditure towards the conduct of the "International Conference on Environmental Pollution and Health: Governance for a Sustainable Future (ICEGSF)" subject to the condition that the amount shall be recouped to the DDF as and when the sponsorship amount from the Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment(KSCSTE) is received.

It was also recommended that, considering the exigency of the matter the above recommendation of the committee may be approved by the Vice-Chancellor in exercise of the powers vested under section 10(13) of Kerala University Act, 1974 for initiating immediate action.

The meeting came to an end at 5.30 p.m.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 14.11.2023, be noted.

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Item No.06.54 Condemnation/disposal of aged vehicles of the University – Proposals – Consideration of – reg.

(Ad A IV (A))

(A) The Syndicate, vide item No.51.88, Additional 01 held on 09.02.2023 considered the report of the Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) regarding purchase and condemnation of the University vehicles and resolved to condemn the eight aged vehicles of University bearing registration numbers KL 22A 0458, KL 22 9774, KL 22 9755, KL224454, KL01 AM 7066, KL01 AC 929, KL01 N 2627 and KL01 D 3119 through Metals Scrap Trading Corporation(MSTC), consequent on amendment to

Rule 52 A of Central Vehicle Act of 1989, which imposed ban on extension of registration to Government vehicles which are aged 15 years and above. The Vice-Chancellor has ordered to implement the Resolution of the Syndicate.

The Assistant Executive Engineer, PWD Mechanical Sub Division, Trivandrum, vide Letter No. 81/T/GL (University) dated 04.10.2023 and Letter No.81/T/GL (University) dated 06.10.2023 informed that as per scrap policy, the registration of vehicles must be cancelled before scrapping the vehicles and reported the scrap value of the vehicles after considering the present condition, make and model as follows:

Sl No	Description of the Vehicles	Scrap Value (₹)
1.	KL 22 A 0458	50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand
	(Mahindra Bolero, 2008 Model)	only)
2.	KL 22 9774	50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand
	(Mahindra Bolero SLX MDI, 2008 Model)	only)
3.	KL 22 9755	50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand
	(Mahindra Bolero SLX MDI, 2008 Model)	only)
4.	KL 01 AM 7066	50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand
	(Mahindra Bolero, 2006 Model)	only)
5.	KL 01 AC 929	2,20,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh
	(Ashok Leyland WB Cheetah Bus(50 seat), 2003 Model)	Twenty Thousand Only)
6.	KL 01 N 2627	1,90,000/- (Rupees One Lakh
	(Ashok Leyland Bus (55 seat),1997 Model)	Ninety Thousand only)
7.	KL 01 D 3119	2,10,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh
	(Ashok Leyland Bus (52 seat),1993 Model)	Ten Thousand Only)
8.	KL 22 4454 (Mahindra CL55 MDI 2WD Soft Top BS 1 7STR	35,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five
	Jeep, 2006 Model)	Thousand only)

- (B) The Syndicate considered the report of the Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) and, vide Item No. 58.88 of the Minutes of its meeting held on 09.06.2023 resolved to entrust Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) to initiate immediate steps for the auction the vehicle KL 01 AW 5672 (Toyota Corolla Altis) used by the Registrar, considering the facts that the vehicle was of 2009 make and required repair works amounting to Rs.1,96,100/- and that it can further be used only for one more year and the vehicle was eligible for condemnation as per Government guidelines.
  - The Assistant Executive Engineer, PWD Mechanical Sub Division, Trivandrum, vide Letter No.81/T/742 dated 06.10.2023 has informed that the vehicle has been assessed with an amount of ₹.1,20,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Thousand only) after considering the present condition, model and market value of the vehicle.
- (C) In addition to afore stated vehicles, six aged vehicles of the University bearing registration numbers. KL 01 AC 6982, KL 01 AD 8553, KL 01 C 2235, KL 01 AY 9104, KL 01 W 4045 (old vehicle of CACEE) and KL 01 B 9724 are currently under various stages of condemnation.
- (D) The Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) further forwarded a proposal for creating an user account for the University with Metals and Scrap Trading Corporation of India (MSTC) stating that MSTC is a mini ratna company engaged in the scrap business and creation of an user account could be beneficial for the University as a whole for the disposal of scrap materials. The Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) also suggested that the creation and maintenance of user account with MSTC could be entrusted to the Computer Centre of the University.

In obedience to the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the following are placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision:

- The scrap values of the eight aged vehicles of the University detailed at (A) above viz. KL 22A 0458, KL 22 9774, KL 22 9755, KL224454, KL01 AM 7066, KL01 AC 929, KL01 N 2627 and KL01 D 3119 as assessed by the Office of Assistant Executive Engineer, PWD Mechanical Sub Division, Trivandrum.
- 2. The proposal for conducting auction of the vehicle KL 01 AW 5672 detailed at (B) above at the value as assessed by the Office of Assistant Executive Engineer, PWD Mechanical Sub

- Division, Trivandrum.
- 3. The Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) be entrusted with expediting the condemnation procedures of the six University vehicles detailed at (C) above which are currently under various stages of condemnation and to the auction of the vehicle detailed at (B) above.
- 4. The proposal regarding creation and maintenance of an user account for the University with Metals and Scrap Trading Corporation of India (MSTC) and to authorise an official for creation and maintenance of the user account.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to condemn the eight aged vehicles of University assessed by the Office of Assistant Executive Engineer, PWD Mechanical Sub Division, Trivandrum through Metals Scrap Trading Corporation (MSTC).

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to approve the proposal regarding creation and maintenance of an user account for the University with Metals and Scrap Trading Corporation of India (MSTC) and authorise Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) for creation and maintenance of the user account.

**ALSO RESOLVED** to entrust Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) to conduct auction of the vehicle detailed at (B) above at the value assessed by the Office of the Assistant Executive Engineer, PWD Mechanical Sub Division, Trivandrum immediately.

**ALSO RESOLVED** that the the condemnation procedures of all other University vehicles which are currently under various stages of condemnation and auction be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development.

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Item No.06.55

Implementation of Student Life Cycle Management System-Reconstitution of the 'Monitoring Committee' and the 'Software Management Technical Committee'- Nominating the panel of experts-Consideration of-reg.

(Pl.A1)

The Proposal for the reconstitution of 'Monitoring Committee' and the 'Software Management Technical Committee' in connection with the implementation of the Student Life Cycle Management System in the University was placed before the meeting of the Syndicate held on 14/08/2023.

Then the Syndicate vide Item No: 02.98 resolved to entrust Dr. K G Gopchandran, Member Syndicate to submit a panel for the reconstitution of the 'Monitoring Committee' and the 'Software Management Technical Committee' in connection with the implementation of the Student Life Cycle Management System in the University.

Dr. K.G Gopchandran, Member, Syndicate via email dated 01.11.2023 has submitted the panel of members for reconstitution of the Monitoring Committee' and the 'Software Management Technical Committee' in connection with the implementation of the 'Student Life Cycle Management System', which is listed below

#### \* MONITORING COMMITTEE (Student Life Cycle Management System)

- 1. Hon. Vice Chancellor (Chairman).
- 2. Pro-Vice Chancellor
- 3. Dr.Gopchandran K. G (Member Syndicate).
- 4. Convenor, Standing Committee of Syndicate on Examination.
- 5. Convenor, Standing Committee of Syndicate on Finance.
- 6. Registrar, University of Kerala
- 7. Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala
- 8. Finance Officer, University of Kerala
- 9. The Director, Planning and Development.
- 10. Dr. Vinod Chandra S S, Professor, Dept. of Computer Science
- 11. Dr. Aji. S, AssociateProfessor, Department of Computer Science, University of Kerala
- 12. Sri. K. Anwar Sadath, Vice-Chairman & Executive Director, KITE, Thiruvananthapuram
- 13. Dr Sabarish Karunakaran, Head, Information Systems & Chief Scientist, KSCSTE, Sasthra Bhavan, Pattom, Thiruvanantapuram-695004
- 14. The Director, Computer Centre, University of Kerala.

#### \*Software Management Technical Committee (Student Life Cycle Management System

1. The Controller of Examinations (Chairman).

- 2. The Director, Planning and Development.
- 3. The Director, Computer Centre.
- 4. Dr Philomina Simon, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Science
- 5. Dr. Thara Prabhakaran, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Future Studies
- 6. Joint Registrar, Exam I.
- 7. Joint Registrar, Exam II.
- 8. Joint Registrar CBCSS, Exam.
- 9. Assistant Registrar (IT cell, Exam).
- 10. Sri. ManoshManohar, Programmer, Computer Centre.
- 11. Smt. Sivi Velayudhan, Programmer, Computer Centre.
- 12. Smt. Sunija M. Rasheed, Programmer, Computer Centre.
- 13. Five officers nominated/invited by the Controller of Examinations

Hence, as per the orders of the Hon. Vice Chancellor, the aforementioned sets of panel members for the reconstitution of the 'Monitoring Committee' and the 'Software Management Technical Committee' in connection with the implementation of the 'Student Life Cycle Management System' are placed before the Syndicate for consideration and approval.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to approve the panel submitted by Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Member Syndicate for the reconstitution of the 'Monitoring Committee' and the 'Software Management Technical Committee' in connection with the implementation of the 'Student Life Cycle Management System'

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Item No.06.56

Department of Statistics – Rotation of Headship on completion of tenure – Consideration of- reg.

(Ad.D1)

Dr. E.I. Abdul Sathar, Professor, Department of Statistics was nominated as the HOD w.e.f 01.01.2021 F.N., vide U.O.No.277/2021/UOK dated 21.01.2021. His three year tenure as Head, expires on 31.12.2023.

As per Statute 18, Chapter 3 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977 modified vide amendment No. 191 and 232, the HOD shall be nominated on a rotation basis for a period of 3 years, starting with the senior most teacher of the Department. The Syndicate shall nominate the senior most Professor as HOD for a period of 3 years and at the end of the 3 years, the next senior most Professor shall be nominated. After all Professors are given a turn, the rotation shall then be implemented among Associate Professors/Readers as per seniority. In the Departments where there are no Professors or Associate Professors eligible for Headship, it shall be rotated among the Assistant Professors. To become eligible for considering for Headship, a teacher should possess a Ph.D Degree, has to put in atleast two years service in the Department concerned and has a minimum of 6 months of service remaining till retirement.

The details of faculties in the Department of Statistics is as follows:

#	Name	Designation	Term as HOD	Joined University service on					
1	Dr.C.Satheesh	Professor	01.01.2018 F.N. to	08.05.2003 F.N.					
1	Kumar	(w.e.f 01.06.2015)	31.12.2020 A.N	08.03.2003 F.N.					
2	Dr.E.I.AbdulSathar	Professor	01.01.2021 F.N. to	13.11.2007 F.N.					
	Dr.E.I.AbdulSatnar	(w.e.f 14.02.2020)	31.12.2023 A.N.	13.11.200/ F.N.					
2	Dr. Manai Chaalsa	Associate Professor		29.10.2007 F.N.					
3	Dr. Manoj Chacko	(w.e.f 29.10.2019)	_	29.10.200 / Γ.IN.					
4	Shri. Riyaz A	Assistant Professor	_	13.03.2020 A.N.					

Hence, the next eligible / senior most Faculty in the Department of Statistics to consider for headship is Dr. Manoj Chacko, who satisfies all the criteria laid down in the Statute, to consider for headship. His date of retirement is 31.03.2036.

As per the orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the matter of nominating the next eligible faculty as Head of the Department of Statistics, w.e.f 01.01.2024 F.N. is placed before the Syndicate, for consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to nominate Dr.Manoj Chacko, Associate Professor as Head, Department of

Statistics, Kariavattom w.e.f. 01.01.2024 FN.

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Item No.06.57

Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation, Kariavattom – Meeting of the Selection Committee to the post of System Analyst on contract basis -Minutes for approval–reg.

(Ad.A VI)

A meeting of the Selection Committee to fix the norms for the post of System Analyst on contract basis in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation, Kariavattom was convened on 05.10.2023. The Selection Committee has recommended to rename the post as Technical Officer (Systems) and further recommended to place the matter before the Syndicate.

In this regard the following may be noted:

The Hon.Director, Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation, Kariavattom vide letter no.CLIF/Staff/170/2021-22 dated 01.11.2021 had informed that Sri.Deelip Kumar who was working as Technical Officer (Systems) in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF) resigned from the post and hence requested to appoint an equally competent person as a replacement for Sri. Deelip Kumar as he joined the Infosys.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, notification to the post of Technical Officer (systems) on contract basis was issued twice i.e. on 14.02.2022 and 09.05.2022 and only one candidate applied for the post in response to the second notification. The Selection Committee after scrutinizing, rejected the application due to the lack of required experience. Also the Committee recommended to enhance the remuneration for the post of Technical Officer (Systems) and thereafter to issue notification. As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the minutes of the meeting of the Selection Committee for the engagement of Technical Officer (Systems) on contract basis was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance. The Syndicate held on 25.08.2022, vide item no.45.46.12, considered the matter and resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance to entrust Finance Officer to study the matter regarding the enhancement of remuneration for the post of Technical Officer (Systems) in consultation with the Director, Computer Centre and to submit a proposal before the Committee. The matter has been intimated to the Finance Officer.

Subsequently, the Hon.Director, CLIF vide letter no.CLIF/Staff/185/2020-21 dated 05.07.2022 had requested to depute one System Analyst from the Computer Centre to the CLIF, Karyriavattom as the service of such a person is very essential till a person is appointed for the purpose. As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff Equipment & Buildings. The Syndicate held on 16.09.2022 vide item no.06.16 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Buildings to depute a System Analyst from the Computer Centre till a person is appointed and resolved to appoint one System Analyst in CLIF on contract basis and the Vice-chancellor has ordered to implement the resolution of the Syndicate.

Accordingly, a Selection Committee for the selection to the post of System Analyst was constituted and the first meeting of the Selection Committee for fixing the norms was held on 05.10.2023.

Now, as per orders of the Vice-Chancellor the minutes of the meeting of the Selection Committee for the post of System Analyst held on 05.10.2023 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate decisions.

Minutes of the meeting (Online) of the Selection Committee for fixing norms for the post of System Analyst on Contract basis in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Karvavattom.

Date : 05<sup>th</sup> October 2023, 10.30 a.m

Venue : Registrar's Room

**Members present** 

Sl. No.	Name	Signature
1	Dr. K. G. Gopchandran, Member Syndicate (in the Chair)	Online
2	Registrar	Sd/-
3	Prof. Dr. G Mohanadasan Nair, Director, Central Laboratory	Online

for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Kariavattom

The meeting commenced at 10.30 a.m

The Selection Committee discussed about the selection to the post of System Analyst on Contract basis in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Karyavattom and recommended the following:

- 1. to rename the post as Technical Officer (Systems)
- 2. to follow the norms of selection as in the previous notification except remuneration, issued for the post of Technical Officer (Systems) on contract basis in the CLIF, Kariavattom.

The Selection Committee further recommended to place the matter before the Syndicate.

The Committee came to an end by 11.30 a.m

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendations of the meeting (Online) of the Selection Committee for fixing norms for the post of System Analyst on Contract basis in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Karyavattom held on 05.10.2023, be approved.

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Item No.06.58

Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation, Kariavattom – Meeting of the Selection Committee to the post of Skilled Casual Labourer (Multi tasking) on contract basis - Minutes for approval – reg.

(Ad.AVI)

The Hon.Director, Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Karyavattom vide letter no.CLIF/Staff/209/2021-22 dated 16.12.2021 has requested to appoint a Skilled Casual Labourer for a tenure of eleven months, who can do multi tasking of various works in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Kariavattom with provision for renewal after stipulated period. As the centre maintains 22 high end equipment in the laboratory, auditoriums, conference halls etc, a skilled person is required to help in managing the facilities in the centre as well as to do routine office work, messenger job and maintenance of garden.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the request received from the Hon. Director, CLIF was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment and Building. The Syndicate held on 25.02.2022 vide item no.37.75.12 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Building and resolved to engage a Skilled Casual Labourer on contract basis in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation for a period of eleven months considering it as a special case and further resolved to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to constitute a Selection Committee including the Director, Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation(CLIF), Kariyavattom for the engagement of Skilled Casual Labourer on contract basis.

Subsequently, a Selection Committee was constituted for fixing norms for the appoinment of a Skilled Casual Labourer (Multi Tasking) on contract basis for a period of eleven months. The first meeting of the Selection Committee was held on 05.09.2022 and as per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the minutes of the Selection Committee was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

The Syndicate held on 08.12.2022 vide item no.49.58.14 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and resolved to approve the minutes of the Selection Committee subject to the following:

- 1. to fix a consolidated monthly remuneration of Rs.20000/- (Rupees Twenty thousand only) to the Skilled Casual Labourer(Multi Tasking) on contract basis in the CLIF after verifying the relevant Government Orders.
- 2. to re-consider the experience and qualification for the post by the Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee was reconstituted, since the earlier Selection Committee got diluted as the tenure of the previous Syndicate expired on 30.06.2023. Next meeting of the Selection Committee was held on 05.10.2023 to re-consider the experience and Qualification for the post of Skilled Casual Labourer (Multi Tasking), in light of the resolution of the Syndicate held on 08.12.2022. The minutes of the Selection Committee for the appointment to the post of Skilled Casual Labourer (Multi Tasking) on contract basis held on 05.10.2023 was submitted for the approval of the Vice-Chancellor.

As per orders of the Vice – Chancellor the minutes of the meeting of the Selection Committee for the appoinment to the post of Skilled Casual Labourer (Multi Tasking) on contract basis held on 05.10.2023 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate decisions.

# Minutes of the meeting (Online) of the Selection Committee for fixing norms for the engagement of Skilled Casual Labourer (Multi tasking) on Contract basis in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Karyavattom.

Date : 05<sup>th</sup> October 2023, 10.30 a.m

Venue : Registrar's Office

# **Members present**

Sl.No	Name	Signature
1	Dr. K. G. Gopchandran, Member Syndicate (in the Chair)	Online
2	Registrar	Sd/-
3	Prof. Dr. G Mohanadasan Nair, Director Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Kariavattom.	Online

The meeting commenced at 10.30 a.m

On the basis of the Syndicate resolution, the Selection Committee reconsidered the Experience and Qualification for the post of Skilled Casual Labourer (Multi tasking) on Contract basis in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF), Karyavattom. The Committee noticed that no post in the name of Skilled Casual Labourer (Multi tasking) exists in the University and hence recommended the following:

- 1. to rename the post as Tradesman
- 2. to fix the criteria for selection to the post of Tradesman on contract basis in the CLIF, Kariavattom as detailed below:

Qualification   ITI in Electrical & Electronics/ Electronics/ Instrumentation			
Experience	One year experience as Technician or similar category in Government/ Public		
Experience	sector undertaking		
Remuneration	Rs.21175/- (Rupees Twenty one thousand one hundred seventy five only)		

The Selection Committee further recommended to place the matter before the Syndicate. The Committee came to an end by 11.30 a.m

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment and Buildings.

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# Item No.06.59 Department of Optoelectronics, Kariavattom - Request for including experts in the existing panel of visiting faculties - Consideration of reg.

(Ad.FII)

The Head, Department of Optoelectronics has informed that the Department has started two M Sc courses (Msc.Electronics with specialisation in Optoelectronics and Msc Electronics with specialisation in Artificail intelligence) in the academic year 2022-23. The Department Council meeting held on 23/05/2023 recommended to request the University to include the following experts in the panel of Visiting faculties already approved by the University. The Bio-data of these faculties are appended herewith.

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Sl.No.	Name of Experts	Designation		
1.	Dr. P. Prabhakar Rao	Chief Scientist (Scientist G), Professor, Academy of Scientific		
1.	Dr. P. Prabnakar Rao	& innovative Research (ACSIR)		
2.	Dr. Liimon V Thomas	Former principal and professor, Mar Ivanios College		
2.	Dr. Jijimon K Thomas	(autonomous, Thiruvananthapuram )		
2	Dr. Raji S Nair	Former faculty at VLBJ College of Arts and Science,		
3.		Coimbatore		
4	Ma Aniu C Mahan	Artificial Intelligence Developer, Liz intelligent Solutions Pvt		
4.	Ms. Anju S Mohan	Ltd, Trivandrum		
5	Ma Ann Nita Natta	Artificial Intelligence Developer, Liz Intelligent Solutions Pvt		
5.	Ms. Ann Nita Netto	Ltd, Trivandrum		

As per the orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the proposal for including Dr.P.Prabhakar

Rao, Dr.Jijimon K Thomas, Dr.Raji S Nair, Ms.Anju S Mohan and Ms.Ann Nita Netto in the Panel of visiting faculties in the Department of Optoelectronics, is placed before the Syndicate, for consideration.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to approve the proposal for including Dr.P.Prabhakar Rao, Dr.Jijimon K Thomas, Dr.Raji S Nair, Ms.Anju S Mohan and Ms.Ann Nita Netto in the Panel of visiting faculties in the Department of Optoelectronics, Kariavattom

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Item No.06.60

Kerala Paper Products Limited (KPPL) - Cutting and removing of Acacia trees from the Kariavattom campus premises -Consideration of- reg.

(Ad.B1)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 20.05.2023 vide item no. 57.105 had considered the matter of according permission to Kerala Paper Products Limited for the felling and removal of pulpwood raw material from the University Campus, and resolved to grant permission to M/s.Kerala Paper Products Limited (KPPL) at special rate of Rs.750/- per MT for the extraction of pulpwood raw material available in the University Campus as per the terms and conditions stipulated by the Government.

The Assistant Forest Conservator has informed that from the Acacia trees standing at various places in the Karyavattom Campus premises, only those with a medium thickness below 70 cm should be given to Kerala Paper Products Ltd., and that the wood pieces with a medium thickness above 70 cm should be cut off and stacked separately, and it can be auctioned only after the price is assessed by the Social Forestry division. The Assistant Forest Conservator, Social Forestry Division has also informed that 5% Forest Development Tax and an additional tax of 20% on the amount received from Kerala Paper Products Limited for the wood supplied to them, has to be deposited in the Government Treasury under the head 0406-01-101-96-00-FDT, Division Code: 0101-250-020. The Special Officer (KPPL) and the Joint Registrar (Campus Administration) were informed of the same.

An agreement was executed between the Special Officer, Kerala Paper Products Limited (KPPL) and the Registrar, University of Kerala on 22.05.2023 for the period of 3 months w.e.f. 22/05/2023 to 21/08/2023, and they have started cutting and removing the acacia trees from the Kariavattom Campus premises. The period of extraction was extended further for a period of 3 months as per the resolution of the Syndicate dated 14.08.2023 on Item No. 02.102. It was further resolved to entrust the Joint Registrar, Campus Administration, Kariavattom, to submit a detailed report regarding cutting and removing of Acacia trees, including total number trees, its weight and all other details before the next Syndicate meeting.

Joint Registrar, Campus Administration, Kariavattom, has submitted a detailed Report regarding cutting and removing of Acacia trees.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the Report submitted by the Joint Registrar, Campus Administration, Kariavattom is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.

Item No: 06.61 Space Allotment to Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology (RGCB) at Kariavattom campus- request- reg.

(Ad.BI)

The Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Biotechnology (RGCB) have expressed interest for establishing a Medical Laboratory Service Collection Unit and Report Centre of the RGCB, in the Kariavattom campus and have requested to allot "One hundred Square feet of built up area" in the Kariavattom campus, for starting an advanced Clinical Investigation Collection and Reporting Unit of RGCB-MLS.

It may be noted that RGCB was allotted temporarily a room in the Health Centre building at Senate House campus vide U.O. No.5265/2023/UOK dated 20.06.2023 for establishing advanced Clinical Investigation Collection and Reporting Unit of RGCB-MLS on condition that they are bound to vacate the allotted space whenever requested by the University

#### Authorities.

Based on the above precedent, the University Engineer has reported that the IR room in the Health Centre building at Kariavattom Campus is available and this room has adequate area for establishing the proposed unit. Therefore the University Engineer has proposed to allot this room for establishing the laboratory service unit of Rajiv Gandhi Centre for Bio Technology, after doing some modifications like replacing windows, constructing steps etc. for direct access from outside. It is also reported that the facilities can be provided once the proposal gets approved.

The space suggested by the University Engineer may be allotted temporarily to the RGCB for establishing an advanced Clinical Investigation Collection and Reporting Unit of RGCB-MLS at Kariavattom campus on condition that they are bound to vacate the allotted space whenever asked by the University.

As per orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Syndicate for appropriate recommendation.

Enclosure: The copy of the drawing showing the proposed room.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.

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Item No: 06.62 Dept of German - Approved panel of Guest lecturers - inclusion of the remaining candidates who attended the interview-Consideration of – reg.

(Ad.FII)

A notification dated 26.11.2022 was issued by the Department of German inviting eligible candidates to attend a walk-in- interview on 12.12.2022, for selection of Guest Lecturers, in the Department. Accordingly, interview was conducted and the rank list of the candidates was approved by the Department Council meeting held on 15.12.2022. The rank list included the following candidates.

- 1. Sreekala V, MA, M. Phil, UGC NET
- 2. Tony Philip John, MA and UGC NET
- 3. Jyothi Suresh R, MA & UGC NET
- 4. Aleena Mary George, MA in German
- 5. Gopika V, MA in German
- 6. Safar Sanal, MA in German

The matter was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 24.04.2023 and it was recommended to select UGC qualified candidates from the list. The Syndicate held on 26.04.2023, vide Item No. 56.45.D11, resolved to approve the said recommendation. Thus, the following candidates were selected as guest lecturers and U.O.No. Ad.FII. 6543/2023/UOK dated 24.07.2023 was issued accordingly.

- 1. Sreekala V, MA, M. Phil, UGC NET
- 2. Tony Philip John, MA and UGC NET
- 3. Jyothi Suresh R, MA & UGC NET

Later, the Head (i/c), Dept of German, vide letter dated 26.07.2023, has informed that the Department is conducting PG, Certificate, Diploma and short-term courses and there is acute shortage of staff to handle the classes. Also, Smt. Sreekala V. & Smt. Jyothi Suresh are not willing to take classes for the PG course and are willing to handle short term courses. Hence, It is requested to include the remaining candidates in the rank list also, in the panel, so as to cover the teaching assignments in the Department.

It may be noted that notification dated 26.11.2022, called for candidates with qualification as MA German Language & Literature with UGC NET in German/Ph.D. in German.

As per the orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the matter of including the following candidates in the panel of Guest lecturers, for being engaged to cover the teaching assignments in the Department of German, is placed before Syndicate, for consideration.

- 1. Aleena Mary George (MA in German)
- 2. Gopika V (MA in German)
- 3. Safar Sanal (MA in German)

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above panel of Guest lecturers in the Department of German be approved.

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Item No: 06.63 Implementation of UNISPARK based Biometric Punching System in the University-Consideration of-reg.

(Ad.BII)

The General Administration (Co-ordination) Department, Government of Kerala had issued a circular dated 16.12.2022 directing all Government Offices including Autonomous Institutions and Grant in aid Institutions to implement Spark linked Biometric Punching System before 31.03.2023. Accordingly, the meeting of the Syndicate held on 29.12.2022 had resolved to implement UNISPARK linked Biometric Punching System in the University and also resolved to have a detailed discussion with M/s Keltron regarding the proposal submitted by the firm in connection with the implementation of Biometric Punching System in the University. Accordingly, circular dated 03.03.2023 was issued in this regard. Further M/s Keltron submitted a revised estimate for implementing Aadhar enabled Biometric Punching System for both Palayam and Kariavattom Campuses as detailed below:

OPTIONS	Specification	Amount (Rs.)	Buy back of 31 numbers of old punching machines. (Rs.)	Net Amount (Rs.)	Remarks
Option A	Aadhar linked Biometric Punching Machine	27,47,206/-	1,48,800/-	25,98,406/-	Can be incorporated with UNISPARK software and hence separate software is not required.
Option B	Non-Aadhar linked Biometric Punching Machine	36,19,593/-	1,48,800/-	34,70,793/-	Separate software has to be purchased.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 26.04.2023 considered the item regarding the implementation of Biometric Punching System in the University and resolved to refer the item to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Building. Further, the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Building held on 31.05.2023 considered the matter and recommended to constitute a sub committee with the following members to conduct a feasibility study in the Implementation of UNISPARK linked Biometric Punching System in the University.

- 1. Adv.B.Balachandran (Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Buidings),
- 2. Dr.S.Nazeeb (Member, Syndicate),
- 3. Dr.K G.Gopchandran (Member, Syndicate),
- 4. Sri.Bijukumar G (Member, Syndicate),
- 5. Registrar.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.06.2023 has resolved to approve the aforesaid recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Building and U.O. No: Ad.BII/62713/06/2023 dated 27.06.2023 was issued accordingly.

Further, Government vide G.O.No:3253/2023/GAD dated 14.07.2023 have directed to implement SPARK linked Biometric Attendance System in all Government Institutions /Autonomous bodies/Grant in aid Institutions etc from 01.08.2023. As, the tenure of the members of the Syndicate included in the aforesaid committee has been expired , the committee may be reconstituted .

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate. The Syndicate held on 04.10.2023 vide Item No:04.45.63 has resolved to refer the item to the next Syndicate.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding the reconstitution of sub committee for conducting a feasibility study on Implementation of UNISPARK linked Biometric Punching System in the University is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to constitute a Sub-Committee consisting of Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Dr.P.M.Radhamany, Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Dr.J.S.Shijukhan, Members Syndicate and Registrar for conducting a feasibility study on Implementation of UNISPARK linked Biometric Punching System in the University.

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Item No.06.64

Complaint from Sri. Athul Radhakrishnan & Sri. Pranav Prakash - NSS College, Cherthala-Consideration of-reg.

(Ac.B1)

The principal NSS College Cherthala vide letter G3352/2023 dt 19.04.2023 had forwarded the compulsory TC in r/o Sri. Pranav prakash and Sri. Athul Radhakrishnan on the basis of unanimous decision College Council for the incident took place on 09.03.2023 and 10.03.2023. Based on the report from the Principal NSS College Cherthala it is found that both the students undergone series of breaching the previous guidelines of the Honourable High Court of Kerala on discipline. In between, the requests of the students have been received on 16.03.2023 & 24/04/2023 to aannul the action of suspension of both the students Sri. Athul Radahakrishnan and Sri.Pranav Prakash also have requested to do the needful for their reentry to the College.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter was placed before the Board for Adjudication of Students' Grievances. The Syndicate resolved to approve the recommendation of BASG held on 18.09.2023 that in spite of the unruly and fractious conduct that were unbecoming as students, the petitioners may be given a final opportunity to continue their studies in the college, provided, they regret their misconduct. Also further resolved that the candidates shall appear before the Principal with their parents expressing the regret over their misconduct and the Principal shall accommodate the candidates and forward a final report. The Vice Chancellor has ordered to implement the same.

In this regard communications were issued to the petitioners and the Principal, NSS College, Cherthala.

Now the Principal, NSS College Chaerthala vide letter dated 30.10.2023 informed that, a College Council meeting was held on 26.10.2023 to discuss the matter. The College council considered the objections of the teachers who were at the receiving end of these students' misdeeds, the apprehensions of parents of other students and the fact that the College is presently functioning smoothly under police protection, following the orders of the Honourable High Court of kerala to ward off these students threats unanimously advised the principal not to take back these students. Hence the Principal has informed that it is not feasible to take back, Sri. Athul Radhakrishnan and Sri.Pranav Prakash in the best interest of the institution and its stake holders.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to hear the Principal, NSS College Chaerthala by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges regarding the matter.

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Item No.06.65

Relieving of additional charge of NSS Programme Coordinator - request from Dr. Shaji A., Professor & Head, Department of History - Consideration of – reg.

(Ad.AV)

Dr. Shaji A., was put in full additional charge of NSS Programme Co-ordinator w.e.f 05.08.2017 and his tenure expired on 05.08.2023. Dr. Shaji A., has now requested that he is unable to continue as Programme Co-ordinator as he is working as Professor and Head, Dept of History and has requested to relieve from his duties as NSS Programme Co-ordinator (full additional charge) and appoint another person in this capacity.

As per new guidelines of NSS, the Programme Coordinator, NSS shall be appointed for a

period of three years and further extendable for two years (subject to satisfactory performance). Dr.Shaji A., Asst Professor of History, SDE, was put in full additional charge of NSS Programme Coordinator with effect from 05.08.2017 to 04.08.2022. Dr. Shaji A., then requested to extend his full additional charge as Programme Coordinator, NSS in order to complete the projects initiated by the University through NSS for the year 2022-23 budget speech and for the implementation of other novel programmes for the benefit of the student community and the society and also facilitating to submit application for National NSS Award 2022-23. As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the period of tenure was then further extended for one year w.e.f. 05.08.2022 to 04.08.2023 vide UO.No.Ad AV/6151/2022/UOK dated:03.08.2022.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the request of Dr. Shaji A., for relieving of his additional charge as NSS Programme Coordinator and to assign a new officer as NSS Programme Coordinator (with full additional charge) for the next tenure is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to initiate urgent steps for the appointment of NSS Programme Co-ordinator on deputation basis and issue notification accordingly.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that Dr.Shaji.A be assigned to continue the additional charge of NSS Programme Co-ordinator till the new appointment is made.

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Item No:06.66

Non functioning Self Financing Training College - College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, Kollam - request for return of FDR furnished as Financial Guarantee - Consideration of - reg.

(Ac.BII)

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023, vide item No.04.109, considered the judgment of the High Court in WP (C) 27610 of 2023, filed by the Manager, College of Teacher Education in connection with the request from the Petitioner for release of FD receipt and issue of closure certificate in respect of College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor and resolved to release the FD receipt, if there are no dues or liabilities pending against the College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, based on the report from the Finance Officer.

The Syndicate further resolved to seek urgent report from the Finance Officer regarding the pending dues or liabilities against College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, regarding dues or liabilities pending against the College and to place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

The decision of the Syndicate was intimated to the petitioner vide letter dated 12.10.2023 and the letter received by the petitioner on 17.10.2023

The Finance Officer has reported that there no special fee dues or liabilities pending against the college from 2005-'06 to 2016-'17. Also the Controller of Examinations has informed that the college has no dues/liabilities pending with the University pertaining to the conduct of examinations. Further, ECII section had also informed that the college has no advances pending regularization. The college has already cleared arrears in Annual Administration Fees.

As per orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request from the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor received on 10.06.2023 for release of FD receipt and issue of closure certificate in respect of College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor along with the remarks of the Finance Officer is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.

Item No.06.67 Sree Gokulam Nursing College, Venjaramoodu, Thiruvananthapuramrequest to return FDR- kept as financial guarantee- Consideration of-reg.

(Ac.BII)

The Principal, Sree Gokulam Nursing College, Venjaramoodu, Thiruvananthapuram, vide letter No.SGNC/kerala.University/1/2022 dated 27.12.2022 for release of the FDR of Rupees Ten Lakhs, with lien marked in favour of the Registrar, University of Kerala and furnished to the

University as Financial Guarantee in connection with the procedural formalities of Affiliation of the college. The Syndicate held on 30.03.2023/31.03.2023, item No.54.30, considered the request received and resolved to defer the item.

Therefore orders were sought again to place the matter of release of FD in the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, however the Vice Chancellor ordered to place the same in the Syndicate for consideration.

The following points in connection with the college and the request may be noted:

- Provisional Affiliation was granted to Sree Gokulam Nursing College, Venjaramoodu, Thiruvananthapuram, for the conduct of B.Sc. Nursing Degree programme with an intake of 75 students for the academic year 2009-'10.
- The college submitted an FDR for Rs.10,00,000/- towards Financial Guarantee for the establishment of Sree Gokulam Nursing College, Venjaramoodu, Thiruvananthapuram vide FDR No.037502 with Account No.3053309644 dated 23.12.2009 for Rs.10,00,000/- for a period of 5 years, with maturity date 23.12.2014.
- Later, affiliation of all the colleges offering medical related programmes was shifted to the Kerala University of Health Sciences, Thrissur w.e.f 2010 admission onwards with permission to the continuing batches to complete their course of study in the parent University itself.
- An amount of Rs.5,00,000/- per year was fixed as Annual Administration Fee of Nursing Colleges. Though batches continued with the University, most of the colleges did not remit the annual administration fee to the University after the shifting of its affiliation to KUHS.
- As resolved by the Syndicate held on 31.01.2015 (item No. 05.85.21) Annual administration fees in respect of the colleges whose affiliation was shifted to KUHS was re-fixed in accordance with the number of batches having affiliation with University of Kerala. Accordingly, Sree Gokulam Nursing College, Venjaramoodu, Thiruvananthapuram, was assessed with Annual Administration Fee of a total of Rs.12,50,000/- only for the period from 2009-10 to 2012-13 (i.e., for 4 academic years since the inception of the college)
- As per the credit verification report dated 27.11.2019 received from Cash (R) DD section, the college has made a total remittance of Rs. 10,00,000/- as noted below.
- ✓ DD. No.075757 dated 21.12.2009 for Rs. 2,50,000/- Dhanlaxmi bank (KUF 39635/07.01.10)
- ✓ DD No. 075957 dated 11.01.2010 for Rs. 2,50,000/- Dhanlaxmi bank (KUF 41120/22.01.10)
- ✓ DD No. 766089 dated 29.03.2011 for Rs. 5,00,000/- SBI (KUF 6927/02.07.11)
- ✓ The educational agency thereafter remitted in respect of Sree Gokulam Nursing College, Venjaramoodu, Thiruvananthapuram, the pending Administrative fee of Rs.2,50,000 vide DD No.123058 dated 10.03.2021 of Federal Bank and the same is seen to have been credited to KUF vide chalan remittance No.11540 dated 18.03.2021.
- ✓ Accordingly there is no dues in Annual Administration Fee.
- In connection with the assessment of dues in regularization of provisional advance and special fees, the file was forwarded to Camp Audit sections and Revenue Audit. The Camp Audit section forwarded the file to all the EC sections dealing with the conduct of examinations. EC IV section has confirmed that there is no pending fee with regard to Sree Gokulam Nursing College, Venjaramoodu, Thiruvananthapuram.
- Further, the Revenue Audit section has remarked that there are no special fee dues with respect to Sree Gokulam Nursing College, Venjaramoodu, Thiruvananthapuram.
- In connection with the above, it may also be noted that the Educational Agency also ran a Medical College by the name Sree Gokulam Medical College and Research Foundation, Venjaramoodu.
- The medical college also has dues of Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakhs only) with the University and the Educational Agency had approached the Hon'ble High Court for the release of the FD.
- The Vice Chancellor who considered the request for release of FD in the light of the above, ordered that the amount has to be transferred to Health University and to place the matter before the Syndicate for consideration.
- Accordingly, the matter was placed before the Syndicate held on 30.03.2023 & 31.03.2023,

and it was pointed out that as per Statute 23 of Chapter 24, Affiliation of Colleges, of the KUFS, 1977.

"Financial Guarantee:- Every College shall deposit with the University in the form of approved securities assigned in favour of the Registrar the amount prescribed by the Syndicate towards the financial guarantee of the College. The interest accruing on the deposit shall be payable by the University to the College concerned", though vide item No.54.30 of its Minutes it was resolved to defer the item.

In the light of the above, and as ordered by the Vice Chancellor, the matter of release of the Fixed Deposit is again placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.

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Item No:06.68

Issues of out of syllabus questions in the First Semester New Generation UG Degree Examinations, February 2022 & Conducting re-examinations for the Fifth Semester BA Islamic History Degree Examinations, 2021–Consideration of-reg:

(M&CI)

The Combined Report on the issues of out of syllabus questions in the First Semester New Generation UG Degree Examinations, February 2022 & Conducting re-examinations for the Fifth Semester BA Islamic History Degree Examinations, 2021 was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 05.06.2023 and the Committee recommended to refer the matter to the Syndicate. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.06.2023, vide Item No: 58.56.20 resolved to refer the above matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Buildings. The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Buildings held on 14.08.2023 vide Item No: 02.110.11 considered the above matter and resolved to place the matter before the Syndicate along with the details regarding the issuance of Non Liability Certificate to Smt.Shameem A, the then Section Officer, EB VII Section, who retired from service on 30.04.2023.

It may be be noted that this is a rare case where the person involved has been retired from service during the time of enquiry and normally the examination wing doesn't report to the Administration wing unless and until decision has been resolved by the Syndicate.

It may also be noted that as per the remarks from the Ad.AIII Section a Non-Liability Certificate (NLC) dated 19.04.2023 was issued to Smt.Shameem. A, Assistant Registrar (retired) and granted terminal surrender and pension commutation to the pensioner withholding DCRG. The Legal Advisor has also opined that there is no legal impediment in withholding DCRG, provided the recovery shall be exercised strictly in accordance with the procedure enumerated in Rule 3, Part III KSR.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding the issues related to the out of syllabus questions in the First Semester New Generation UG Degree Examinations, February 2022 & Conducting re-examinations for the Fifth Semester BA Islamic History Degree Examinations, 2021 along with the details regarding the issuance of Non Liability Certificate to Smt.Shameem A, the then Section Officer, EB VII Section, who retired from service and the Combined report submitted by the Controller of Examinations is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to entrust the Controller of Examinations to fix the liability of Smt.Shameem A, regarding the issues of out of syllabus questions in the First Semester New Generation UG Degree Examinations, February 2022 & Conducting re-examinations for the Fifth Semester BA Islamic History Degree Examinations, 2021.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to withhold the amount fixed as liability from the DCRG of Smt.Shameem A and release the remaining portion immediately.

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Item No.06.69

Reply furnished by the Principal and members of the Faculty of the Department of Commerce, MSM College, Kayamkulam related to the Show Cause Notices issued to them in connection with granting admission to Sri.Nikhil M Thomas, based on fake academic credentials-Consideration of - reg.

(Ac.C)

Ref: 1. Item No.59.136 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 27.06.2023 2. Item No. 02.113 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 14.08.2023

The Syndicate, vide item referred (1) above, had resolved that the explanation submitted by the Principal, MSM College, Kayamkulam is unsatisfactory and decided to hear the Faculty and officials concerned of the college by a Subcommittee comprising of the Registrar, Controller of Examinations and Director IQAC, regarding the irregularities in the admission granted to Sri. Nikhil M Thomas for the M.Com Degree programme at MSM College, Kayamkulam during 2021-22, based on fake academic credentials of B.Com Degree programme, by overlooking simultaneity of the same programme that he underwent at the college.

The Syndicate vide item referred (2) above considered the report submitted by the Subcommittee and resolved to issue Show Cause notice to the Principal, the Faculty of the Department of Commerce, Head of the Department of Commerce and Public Information officer of MSM College, Kayamkulam to call for the reply as to why action should not be taken against them for their lapses within 15 days and to place the same before the Syndicate for further action. Accordingly, Show Cause notices were issued to the Principal, the Faculty of the Department of Commerce and RTI officer on 05.09.2023. The show cause notices and the replies received are appended as below.

- 1. **Dr. Muhammed Thaha A,** Principal of the college (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 1 and the reply dated:16.09.2023 is appended as appendix 2)
- 2. **Sri. Sony P John** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 3 and the reply dated: 19.09.2023 is appended as appendix 4)
- 3. **Sri.Renjith Kumar Y** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 5 and the reply dated: 15.09.2023 is appended as appendix 6)
- 4. **Dr. Swapna K Cherian** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 7 and the reply dated: 18.09.2023 is appended as appendix 8).
- 5. **Dr.Abdul Kalam Azad** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 9 and the reply dated: 18.09.2023 is appended as appendix 10)
- 6. **Dr.Sreeja Devi V M** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 11 and the reply dated: 18.09.2023 is appended as appendix 12)
- 7. **Ms.Shamna H** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 13 and the reply dated: 18.09.2023 is appended as appendix 14)
- 8. **Ms.Ashidha** M (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 15 and the reply dated: 18.09.2023 is appended as appendix 16)
- 9. **Dr. Bindhya M.S** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 17 and the reply dated: 17.09.2023 is appended as appendix 18)

On perusal of the replies, it is noted that there have been several lapses, especially on the part of the Principal and Head of the Department of Commerce, MSM College, Kayamkulam, which is a matter of serious concern.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the above matter is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate decision.

# A brief Note on the Reply

- Sub: Reply furnished by the Principal and members of the Faculty of the Department of Commerce, MSM College, Kayamkulam related to the Show Cause Notices issued to them in connection with granting admission to Sri. Nikhil M Thomas, based on fake academic credentials-reg:-
- **Ref**: 1. **Dr. Muhammed Thaha A,** Principal of the college (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 1 and the reply dated:16.09.2023 is appended as appendix 2)
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- 6. **Dr. Sreeja Devi V M** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 11 and the reply dated: 18.09.2023 is appended as appendix 12)
- 7. **Ms. Shamna H** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 13 and the reply dated: 18.09.2023 is appended as appendix 14)
- 8. **Ms.** Ashidha M (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 15 and the reply dated: 18.09.2023 is appended as appendix 16)
- 9. **Dr. Bindhya M S** (Show Cause notice appended as appendix 17 and the reply dated 17.09.2023 is appended as appendix 18)

On perusal of the replies, it is noted that there have been several lapses on their part leading to serious dereliction of duty in having admitted the following facts.

Dr. Muhammed Thaha A states that no teacher can maintain personal relationship in a college where around 3000 students are studying particularly during a period in which Covid 19 protocol was in existence. (It is to be noted that the Covid 19 protocol was practised during 2020 and 2021 and first phase of lock down was implemented from 24.03.2020 only, but Mr. Nikhil M Thomas left the college prior to this period i.e., on 20.03.2023 as per the transfer certificate of his B.Com Degree issued by MSM College).

With regard to the RTI applications, he admitted that Sri Adithyan A and Sri Badusha Basheer had informed that the B.Com Degree of Nikhil M Thomas was fake and requested for information regarding this fake B.Com Degree through their RTI applications.

**Sri. Sony P John** despite being the tutor of Nikhil M Thomas during the fifth semester, could not identify the simultaneity of the B.Com Degree programme the details of which were produced at the time of admission. This is contradictory to his statement that **he was misled to believe that the course undergone at University of Kerala was cancelled.** 

Submission of Eligibility certificate and recognition certificate issued by the University of Kerala and TC/Migration certificate left no room for doubt. Also he never thought that a candidate, accompanied by his father, would come to take admission with fake degree certificate.

It is also stated that commencement of semester classes and examinations are being held within a short span of time. He also added that Semesters could not be completed with the sufficient number of 90 working days as prescribed by the UGC. He also wanted to bring to the attention of the University, the difficulties faced by the teachers in understanding the students personally, due to lesser number of classes available in each semester and non-availability of students who leave the class to attend supplementary/improvement examinations, as those examinations are conducted simultaneously.

He tries to make charge on University by stating that the college was obliged to grant admission to Nikhil M Thomas just because the University issued Eligibility Certificate without verifying the genuineness of the certificate. If the genuineness had been checked, the college as well as the University could have avoided all the mishaps. Moreover, the University has made a similar kind of lapse, like that of the college authorities, in not identifying the student, despite his status as an elected member of the student union at University level. All the documents related to admission of this student was forwarded to the University for verification and were returned to the college on 10.03.2022 without finding any fault.

Sri Sony P John, then raised a question as to how a college with no facilities or technical know-how can identify a student, where the University with all these facilities failed to do the same. He therefore stated that this itself is a proof their innocence.

He also highlighted clause 9.7.3. of the P.G admission prospectus, according to which, the complete responsibility of the admission is vested with the Principal. The main duty of the admission co-ordinator is verification of the certificates only. Identifying the candidate is the collective responsibility of all the persons concerned. Even if one person fails to identify, the mistake could have been pointed out by colleagues, office staff of the college, members of the student organization, classmates etc. Unfortunately, no complaint was made at the college.

**Sri. Renjith Kumar** in his reply dated: 15.09.2023 to the show cause notice, stated that he was appointed RTI officer on 03.05.2023. He says he is not related to the RTI answers of applications dated 30.01.2023 and 27.02.2023 as both were received in the office before he assuming the duty as RTI officer.

However, it is stated that he received the RTI submitted by Badusha Basheer on 03.05.2023, the date on which he assumed charge as RTI officer. He was under the impression that the Principal, who was his preceding information officer, was aware of the information sought in the said RTI. Sri.Renjithkumar says he gave the answer in a hurried manner as the stipulated time limit was approaching and the information regarding furnishing reply to third party was available.

**Dr. Swapna K Cherian** states that the continuous evaluation and exam registration of the candidate was correctly done. Lagged examination schedule and delayed publishing of results made it impossible to do result analysis in that year. 5th and 6th semester results were declared after March 2020 and the classes in new online mode. This made it difficult to know further about the course completed students.

She says Department trusted on the admission procedures and certificate verification procedures and the eligibility certificate of the University of Kerala.

She admits that she was his tutor for the first year of B.Com Degree. But, as a newcomer he was a normal student and had attended the exams obliging the rules of the University. But result analysis was not done in that year for this batch as the results were declared during his fourth semester and fifth semester only. She asked him about his clearing the B.Com.Degree and he said that he cleared his supplementary papers. She trusted this casual talk, believing in his M.Com admission allowed by University, she had no further doubts and so did not proceed on it. She couldn't imagine such a forgery would have been committed surpassing all the admission procedures and hence did not report it to higher officials.

She says she thought he would have passed the exams of B.Com after he completed the course in 2020. (In this context, it is to be noted that she was the chief superintendent of Examinations of MSM College as per her statement during hearing before the subcommittee and should have been aware of the Examination schedule). Since teachers saw him after the Covid period which divided the gap between student and teacher relation and the result of 5th and 6th semester declared during this period were not known to teachers.

She further informed that she has done all her duties to the best of her ability, belief and knowledge. Hence, she requests to exonerate her from further proceedings. (Appendix 8)

**Dr. Abdul Kalam Azad A** states that the M. Com admission of Mr. Nikhil M. Thomas was overseen by the then college principal and subsequently it was learnt that the admission was granted on the basis of Eligibility Certificate and Equivalence certificate issued by the University of Kerala. The Department of Commerce followed all procedures outlined in the CBCS Regulation 2013. Due to COVID-19, only online classes were conducted until the end of 2021 and Mr. Nikhil M. Thomas' results for the last two semesters were published during this time. Five retirements within the Department post-March 2020 increased the workload and this made overseeing matters related to graduated students challenging. He also states that the delayed admission process, exams, and result announcements posed significant challenges for result analysis. He further stated that, he had no involvement in the admission committee or process. He had not personally examined the certificate submitted by Mr. Nikhil M. Thomas. He also emphasised that he had no Knowledge of and have had no involvement in, any matters pertaining to the Right to Information Act (2005) regarding this issue.

Moreover as a teacher, he saw no reason to doubt a student who had been admitted with proper verification by the then college principal and subsequently received a University registration number. He did not verify student's certificates as it was not within his purview. Throughout his class, Nikhil M. Thomas behaved like any other student.

**Dr.Sreeja Devi V M** submitted that she was neither a tutor of Mr. Nikhil M Thomas nor a part of his admission committee. She further ascertains that the Department has an effective system in place to follow CBCSS Regulation - 2013 and there was no wilful attempt to subvert the admission procedures and assessment rules laid down by the University. PTA meetings are also organised at regular intervals. She did not receive any information regarding the RTI letter as the same is handled by Public Information Department.

**Smt. Shamna H** admitted that she was the tutor of Mr. Nikhil M Thomas during the period of 3rd and 4th semester (2018-2019) B.Com. She maintained regular contact with the parents of all students, especially those who were slow in their studies. Internal exams, attendance, CE mark entry mark uploading, exam registrations and timely evaluation of results were all conducted on time.

Since she was not a member of the admission committee, she was unaware of the proceedings in the admission process. She simply felt that he had passed the B. Com degree like other students.

**Ms. Ashidha. M**, stated that she was not part of the team for checking the academic credentials for acquiring admission in the college. These certificates were scrutinised by the College Level Admission Committee selected by the then Principal. The original documents submitted by Sri.Nikhil M Thomas was scrutinised and approved by the committee and the Principal forwarded it to the University for the completion of the admission process. She was not a member and did not take part in any of these procedures. She did not handle his and S1 and S and last year classes (S5 and S6). Sri. Nikhil M Thomas, after leaving the college had procured admission after a gap of 22 months (after the covid period). The fact that he took admission by submitting degree certificate of Kalinga University along with an equivalency certificate from the University of Kerala was unknown to her. Also she was not a member of any of the committees with regard to RTI.

**Dr. Bindhya M S**, submitted that the academic credentials produced by the candidate Sri. Nikhil M Thomas for admission to M.Com degree course is not verified by her since she was not a member of College Level Admission Monitoring Committee. The CBCSS regulation 2013 is followed in effective and full-fledged manner in the Department. The tutor system and three-tier verification process as specified in the regulation is followed systematically for all batches by the department till date. The facts pertaining to the receipt of applications under Right to Information Act, 2005 was not informed to her or the Department by the officials concerned.

It is also mentioned by her that the University authorities even could not determine the veracity and authenticity of the document produced by Sri. Nikhil M Thomas for admission to the PG Course.

In short, all the above faculty ascertains that CBCSS Regulations 2013 were strictly followed in their college and PTA meetings were also conducted at regular intervals. But the entire faculty failed to identify that Mr. Nikhil M Thomas has not cleared his supplementary papers of his B.Com Degree programme. Further, they say that restricted personal interactions due to Covid Protocol also posed impediments to identify the student, his batch and the supplementary Examinations undertaken by him. It is to be noted that the covid 19 protocol was practised during 2020 and and first phase of lock down was implemented from 24.03.2020 only but Mr. Nikhil M Thomas left the college prior to this period i.e., on 20.03.2023 as per the transfer certificate of his B.Com Degree issued by MSM College. Further, chief superintendent of Examinations happens to be a faculty of the Department of Commerce itself.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

The Syndicate considered the replies to the Show Cause notices issued to the Principal, the Faculty of the Department of Commerce and RTI officer in connection with granting admission to Sri. Nikhil M Thomas, based on fake academic credentials and **RESOLVED** the following:

- 1. To withdraw the approval granted to Dr. Muhammed Thaha A, as Principal (in-charge) of MSM College, Kayamkulam with immediate effect following lapses detected in connection with the admission given to Nikhil Thomas on the basis of fake degree certificates. The same shall be reported to the Government.
- 2. The Educational Agency shall be informed to take urgent steps to initiate strict disciplinary action against faculty members for their alleged role on granting admission on the basis of fake degree certificates. Failure, if any, on the part of the Educational Agency will be viewed as delinquency and may invite disciplinary steps as envisaged in the Kerala University Act, 1974, and the Statutes.
- 3. To direct the college to ensure that academic discipline is maintained in the college and admissions are carried out in a transparent manner.
- 4. The institution is also directed to follow all the conditions in CBCSS Regulations strictly and maintaining the academic activities in tune with the Academic Calendar.

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Item No.06.70 Award of Ph.D Degrees

(Ac.E.II/Ac.E.V/Ac.E.V(A))

Item No.06.70.01 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by

Sri. Abdul Kareem T.B in Islamic History- reg.

(Ac. EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "ROLE OF ULAMA IN THE SOCIO-CULTURAL FORMATION OF KERALA MUSLIMS-WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO SOUTH KERALA" submitted by Abdul Kareem.T.B.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Abdul Kareem T.B., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Islamic History under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Item No.06.70.02

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Geethu Gopal in Management Studies- reg.

(Ac. EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "THE HEALTH SURVEILLANCE OF WORKING POPULATION – A STUDY WITH REFERENCE TO IT SECTOR IN KERALA" submitted by Geethu Gopal.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Geethu Gopal., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Management Studies under the Faculty of Management Studies.

Item No.06.70.03

Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt.Surabhi Sankar in Botany – reg.

(Ac.E.II)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "STUDIES ON THE EFFECT OF PLANT GROWTH PROMOTING AND BAKANAE DISEASE SUPPRESSION OF PADDY BY PSEUDOMONASSTRAINS UNDER THE AGROCLIMATIC CONDITION OF CHAMPAKKULAM VILLAGE OF ALAPPUZHA DISTRICT, KERALA" submitted by Surabhi Sankar.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Surabhi Sankar., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Botany under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.04

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D. Thesis submitted by Sri. Vinod K. Joseph in History – reg.

(Ac.EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "MULLA PERIYAR PROJECT: A STUDY" submitted by Vinod K. Joseph.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Vinod K. Joseph., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in History under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Item No.06.70.05

Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Gayatri G.P. in Botany – reg:

(Ac.E.II)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "HORMONAL INTERPLAY DURING EMBRYOGENY AND EMBRYO DESICCATION IN THE DESICCATION SENSITIVE SEEDS OF VATERIA INDICA L" submitted by Gayatri G.P.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Gayatri G.P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Botany under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.06

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Shifa J. in Home Science-reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "NUTRITIONAL PROFILE OF THE INTER-STATE MIGRANT LABOURERS IN THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DISTRICT, KERALA" submitted by Shifa J.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Shifa J., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Home Science under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.07

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D. Thesis submitted by Sri. Stalin P.C. in Economics - reg:-

(Ac.EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "PONTHUVALLAM AN ECONOMICALLY SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOOD OPTION FOR THE TRADITIONAL FISHERMEN IN KERALA" submitted by Stalin P.C.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Stalin P.C., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Economics under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

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Item No.06.70.08

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Shaan R.S in Management Studies - reg.

(Ac. EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "A STUDY ON AUTOMOTIVE REVERSE LOGISTICS AND CONSUMERS PERCEPTION ON USED CARS IN KERALA" submitted by Shaan R S.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Shaan R S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Management Studies under the Faculty of Management Studies.

Item No.06.70.09

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Rajani R.V. in Sociology –reg.

(Ac. EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "CHANGING TRENDS IN THE HEALTH CARE SEEKING BEHAVIOUR OF RURAL WOMEN" submitted by Rajani R.V.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Rajani R.V., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

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Item No.06.70.10

Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Geetha R. Nair in Botany – reg.

(Ac.E.II)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "ANTIHEPATOTOXIC, ANTIOXIDANT AND PHARMACOGNOSTIC STUDIES OF ASYSTASIACHELONOIDESVAR. CHELONOIDESNEES (ACANTHACEAE)" submitted by Geetha R. Nair.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Geetha R. Nair., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Botany under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.06.70.11 Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Saliny Aiyer in Zoology – reg:

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "TOXICITY EVALUATION AND SAFE UTILIZATION OF ACANTHUS ILICIFOLIUS LINN. AS COST EFFECTIVE FEED INGREDIENT IN FARMED AQUATIC MODEL CATLA CATLA (HAMILTON, 1822)" submitted by Saliny Aiyer.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Saliny Aiyer., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Zoology under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.06.70.12 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Rafeeque M.K in Geography-reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "LANDFORM DYNAMICS AND ITS IMPACT ON STABILITY OF COASTAL ZONE OF KOZHIKOD, WEST COAST OF INDIA" submitted by Rafeeque M.K.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Rafeeque M.K., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Geography under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.13 Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Rekha Unni in Chemistry –reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "ISOLATION AND EVALUATION OF NANOCELLULOSE SCAFFOLD OF PLANT ORIGIN FOR TISSUE ENGINEERING APPLICATION" submitted by Rekha Unni.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Rekha Unni., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.06.70.14

Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Sri. Harisankar.A., in Chemistry –reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "SYNTHESIS, PHYSICO - CHEMICAL CHARACTERIZATION AND APPLICATIONS OF METAL ORGANIC FRAMEWORK BASED COMPOSITE MATERIALS" submitted by Harisankar.A.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Harisankar.A., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.06.70.15

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Elizabeth Varghese in Electrical and Electronics Engineering –reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "DESIGN OF FRACTIONAL ORDER CONTROLLERS FOR LAUNCH VEHICLES" submitted by Elizabeth Varghese.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Elizabeth Varghese., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical and Electronics Engineering under the Faculty of Engineering & Technology.

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Item No.06.70.16 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Sabeer Sain R. in Mathematics –reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "STUDIES ON SOME PARAMETERS RELATED TO THE  $\Delta$ -CONVEXITY IN GRAPHS AND GRAPH PRODUCTS" submitted by Sabeer Sain R.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Sabeer Sain R., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.17

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Jan Elizabeth Joseph in Sociology - reg:- (2016 Regulation)

(Ac. EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "THE DIGITAL IDENTITY: AN ANALYSIS OF DIGITAL NARCISSISM AND SOCIAL ACTIVISM IN SOCIAL MEDIA" submitted by Jan Elizabeth Joseph.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Jan Elizabeth Joseph., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

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Item No.06.70.18

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sarika A. in Psychology-reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "EFFECT OF ELICITED EMOTIONS ON DECISION MAKING" submitted by Sarika A.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Sarika A., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Psychology under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.19

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Suresh K.S in Electronics & Communication Engineering -reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "EARLY DETECTION OF DIABETIC FOOT INFECTION USING IMAGE PROCESSING AND SOFT COMPUTING TECHNIQUES" submitted by Suresh K.S.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Suresh K.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Electronics & Communication Engineering under the Faculty of Engineering & Technology.

Item No.06.70.20

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Anjumol Raju in Physics –reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "ATMOSPHERIC INVERSE MODELLING OF CARBON FLUXES OVER THE INDIAN REGION USING GROUND-BASED OBSERVATIONS AND LAGRANGIAN TRANSPORT MODEL" submitted by Anjumol Raju.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Anjumol Raju., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.21

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Nima Chandran in Commerce –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "DISASTER MANAGEMENT: A STUDY ON HUMANITARIAN LOGISTICS AND REHABILITATION" submitted by Nima Chandran.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Nima Chandran., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

Item No.06.70.22 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Anjaly H in Commerce – reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "A STUDY ON IMPACT OF MUDRA LOAN ON MICRO ENTERPRISES IN KERALA" submitted by Anjaly. H.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Anjaly H., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

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Item No.06.70.23 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Rinu Krishna K in English-reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "(RE) DEFINING CAT COSMOLOGIES: POSTHUMAN ANALYSIS OF SELECT 'PURR'SONAL NARRATIVES" submitted by Rinu Krishna K.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Rinu Krishna K., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in English under the Faculty of Arts.

Item No.06.70.24 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sruthi M.G in Commerce –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "FINANCING BUSINESS OPERATIONS: EFFECTIVENESS OF INDIVIDUAL ENTITIES AND SUPPORT MECHANISMS IN THE DAIRY CO-OPERATIVE SECTOR OF KERALA" submitted by Sruthi M.G.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Sruthi M.G., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

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Item No.06.70.25 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Kavya Shabu in Commerce –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "GREEN FINANCING: THE ROLE OF BANKING INDUSTRY IN KERALA" submitted by Kavya Shabu.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Kavya Shabu., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

Item No.06.70.26 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Prageeth P in Commerce –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM IN KERALA. A STUDY ON PRIVATE BUS OPERATIONS" submitted by Prageeth P.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Prageeth P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

Item No.06.70.27 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sunitha Nair A in Commerce –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES OF WOMEN EMPLOYEES: A STUDY ON NEW GENERATION PRIVATE SECTOR BANKS IN KERALA" submitted by Sunitha Nair A.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Sunitha Nair A., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

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Item No.06.70.28 Con

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Amala A in Commerce –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "A STUDY ON THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY OF MICRO SMALL & MEDIUM WOMEN ENTERPRISES IN KERALA" submitted by Amala A.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Amala A., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

Item No.06.70.29

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Vishnu Govindan in Commerce –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "PRADHAN MANTRI JAN-DHAN YOJANA: AN EVALUATIVE STUDY OF KERALA STATE" submitted by Vishnu Govindan.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Vishnu Govindan., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

Item No.06.70.30

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Dayana S in Commerce – reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "RETAIL BANKING IN KERALA- A STUDY ON OPERATIONS AND SERVICE QUALITY" submitted by Dayana S.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Dayana S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

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ItemNo.06.70.31 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Amala A K in Commerce - reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "A STUDY ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF LENDING OPERATIONS OF URBAN CO-OPERATIVE BANKS IN KERALA IN THE CONTEXT OF BANKING SECTOR REFORMS" submitted by Amala AK.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Amala AK., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

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Item No.06.70.32 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Saranya R. Chandran in Geology-reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "GEOLOGY AND GEOMORPHOLOGY OF LONAR CRATER, MAHARASHTRA, INDIA" submitted by Saranya R. Chandran.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Saranya R. Chandran., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Geology under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.33 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sreeja I.S in Geology-reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "QUALITY AND AUGMENTATION OF GROUNDWATER RESOURCES OF PALLIMAN WATERSHED, KOLLAM DISTRICT, KERALA" submitted by Sreeja I.S.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Sreeja I.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Geology under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.06.70.34 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt.Aria Mol, S in Education-reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "ENHANCING AWARENESS ON RENEWABLE ENERGY MANAGEMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT USING MULTIMEDIA LEARNING PACKAGE AMONG SECONDARY SCHOOOL STUDENTS" submitted by Aria Mol S.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Aria Mol, S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

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Item No.06.70.35 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Deepthi Antherjanam S in Education – reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "DEVELOPING GRAPHIC ORGANIZER BASED INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGY FOR AUGMENTING HIGHER ORDER THINKING SKILLS AND ACHIEVEMENT IN ECONOMICS AMONG STUDENTS AT HIGHER SECONDARY LEVEL" submitted by Deepthi Antherjanam S.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Deepthi Antherjanam S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

Item No.06.70.36 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt.Bismi Sainudeen in Education-reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "ATTITUDE TOWARDS INCLUSION AND AWARENESS ON INCLUSIVE PRACTICES FOR STUDENTS WITH DYSLEXIA AMONG PRIMARY SCHOOL ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHERS" submitted by Bismi Sainudeen.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Bismi Sainudeen., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

Item No.06.70.37 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Mahima M in Hindi –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "KUBERNATH RAI KE NIBANDHON MEIN YUGBODH" submitted by Mahima M.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Mahima M., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Hindi under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

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Item No.06.70.38 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt.Chitra.I. in Education-reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "EFFECTIVENESS OF ISSUE BASED LEARNING STRATEGY IN SCIENCE ON LIFE SKILL DEVELOPMENT OF SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS" submitted by Chitra.I.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Chitra.I., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

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Item No.06.70.39 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt.Janu M S in Education-reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "EFFECTIVENESS OF BRAIN TARGETED TEACHING MODEL FOR ENHANCING ACHIEVEMENT, CREATIVITY AND CRITICAL THINKING IN MATHEMATICS AMONG SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS" submitted by Janu M S.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Janu M S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

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Item No.06.70.40 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Murali S in Malayalam- reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "പ്രാദേശികസ്വത്വനിർമ്മിതി - കയർ, ഒരു ദേശത്തിന്റെ കഥ, ഖസാക്കിന്റെ ഇതിഹാസം എന്നീ നോവലുകളെ ആസ്പദമാക്കി ഒരു പഠനം " submitted by Murali S.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Murali S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Malayalam under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.06.70.41 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Keerthy V. Sagar in Malayalam-reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "ആശാൻ കവിതയിലെ വക്രോക്തിദർശനം" submitted by Keerthy V. Sagar.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Keerthy V. Sagar., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Malayalam under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

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Item No.06.70.42 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D. Thesis submitted by Ms. Resmi R. in Economics (2016 Regulation) – reg.

(Ac.EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "VALUATION OF PUBLIC HEALTHCARE SERVICES IN KERALA" submitted by Resmi R.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Resmi R., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Economics under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

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Item No.06.70.43

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Ria Idicula in Commerce –reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "IMPACT OF GST ON THE HOSPITALITY SECTOR IN KERALA" submitted by Ria Idicula.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Ria Idicula., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

Item No.06.70.44

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Anusha Das in English-reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "THE ROLE OF CHILDREN'S LITERATURE IN TEACHING ENGLISH TO YOUNG LEARNERS OF KERALA" submitted by Anusha Das.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Anusha Das., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in English under the Faculty of Arts.

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Item No.06.70.45

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Neenu Mathews in Social Work –reg. (2016 Regulation)

(Ac. EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "INCLUSION OF TRANSGENDER STUDENTS IN HIGHER EDUCATION: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES" submitted by Neenu Mathews.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Neenu Mathews., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Item No.06.70.46

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Gayathry, S.S. in Management Studies- reg.

(Ac. EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "IMPACT OF VISUAL MEDIA ADVERTISEMENTS ON THE LIFESTYLE OF YOUTH IN KERALA" submitted by Gayathry S.S.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Gayathry, S.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Management Studies under the Faculty of Management Studies.

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Item No.06.70.47 Consi

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt.Subina Beegum S in Education-reg.

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "COMPARATIVE STUDY OF VALUE PATTERNS AND SELECT PSYCHOSOCIAL VARIABLES OF PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS IN KERALA AND CAIRO" submitted by Subina Beegum S.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Subina Beegum S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

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Item No.06.70.48 Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Rebu Sundar in Biochemistry – reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "PHYTOCHEMICAL INCORPORATED ELECTROSPUN SCAFFOLDS FOR TISSUE ENGINEERING APPLICATIONS" submitted by Rebu Sundar.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Rebu Sundar., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biochemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.06.70.49 Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Suchitra Surendran, in Chemistry –reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "COMPUTER ASSISTED DRUG DESIGN FOR MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS" submitted by Suchitra Surendran.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Suchitra Surendran., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.06.70.50 Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Mithra S. Mohan in Biochemistry –reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "ROLE OF SIRTUINS ON ADAPTIVE RESPONSE OF MITOCHONDRIA IN HEART" submitted by Mithra S. Mohan.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Mithra S. Mohan., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biochemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.06.70.51 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Mallika M.C in Technology Management-reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "TESTING FOR NONLINEARITY IN TIME SERIES: A NETWORK-BASED SURROGATE DATA TEST" submitted by Mallika M.C.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that. Mallika M.C, be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Technology Management under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

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Item No.06.70.52 Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Shyma R. L in Biochemistry –reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS OF MORIN IN DIABETIC ENCEPHALOPATHY" submitted by Shyma R.L.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Shyma R.L., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biochemistry under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.53 Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Sujith Prabhakarin Physical Education – reg.

(Ac. EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "CONSTRUCTION OF SPECIFIC SOFTBALL SKILL TEST BATTERY FOR JUNIOR BOYS" submitted by Sujith Prabhakar.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Sujith Prabhakar., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physical Education under the Faculty of Physical Education.

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Item No.06.70.54 Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Maya S. Nair in Botany – reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "SYSTEMATIC AND ETHNOBOTANICAL STUDIES ON THE GENUS TARENNA GAERTN. (RUBIACEAE) IN KERALA STATE" submitted by Maya S. Nair.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Maya S. Nair., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Botany under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.70.55

Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Ajith T.C in Physics-reg.

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled "INVESTIGATIONS ON ORGANIC AEROSOLS AND ITS ROLE IN CCN ACTIVATION" submitted by Ajith T.C.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that Ajith T.C., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics under the Faculty of Science.

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Item No.06.71 Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 17.11.2023 – Consideration of – reg.

(Ac.BII)

The Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 17.11.2023 may be seen appended.

In view of the exigency, the committee recommended that the Vice Chancellor permit implementation of the recommendation in items 01, 03, 04, 08, 14, 18, 19, 20 & & Additional item 02 in exercise of the powers conferred under 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, & subject to reporting to Syndicate.

The Vice Chancellor, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, & subject to reporting to Syndicate, has approved the recommendation in items numbered 01, 03, 04, 08, 14, 18, 19, 20 & Additional item 02 of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023

On the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on all items, and the action taken by the Vice Chancellor in exercise of the powers conferred under 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, subject to reporting to Syndicate, are placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision.

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THESYNDICATE

Date and Time : 17.11.2023, 10:30 AM

Venue : Syndicate Room, University Buildings, Senate

House Campus, University of Kerala

#### **Members Present**

Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G.
 Dr.Gopchandran K.G,
 Member, Syndicate (Convener)
 Sd/ Sd/-

•	Dr.S.Jayan	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
•	Dr.P.M.Radhamany	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
•	Sri.R.Rajesh	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
•	Dr.Shijukhan J.S.	Member, Syndicate	Online

# Item No.06.71.01 Re admission of the candidate to the 5 Year Integrated MBA programme-Smt Sruthy L-reg.

[Ac AIV]

Please see the application received from Smt. Sruthi L duly forwarded by the Principal, MSN Institute Of Management And Technology to take readmission to Eight Semester Integrated MBA programme along with the 2019-2024 batch. The Principal has stated that the reason for discontinuous of the course is genuine. The candidate has submitted the medical document along with the application.

The Tabulation section remarked that the candidate, Smt.Sruthi L has registered for semesters upto seventh semester, once readmitted to semester -5 with the 2018 regular batch. She has studied in 2015 scheme and no malpractice has been reported against the candidate. Also, the section remarked that no objection for granting readmission, if admissible, as she had once readmitted in semester-5 with 2018 regular batch.

As per the remarks from the Chairman, since the regulation of the 5 year integrated MBA programme didn't specify about the re-admission chances a candidate has to taken during the academic year, the general regulations pertaining to the PG programmes on readmission prevails. Hence if there are any regulations pertaining to the re admission in PG programmes of the University of Kerala, that can be followed.

# The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies remarked that the candidate may be permitted to take readmission again to the 8th semester with the 2019-2024 batch.

As per the PG regulation, students who fail to secure the minimum required aggregate attendance during a semester will be given one more chance to repeat the semester along with the subsequent batch of students after obtaining re-admission. The candidate was once readmitted in S5 as a regular student of 2018.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding the readmission of the candidate to the 8th semester (2019-2024) batch after availing the re-admission chance during V semester is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

The Committee recommended to accept the remarks of the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies and grant re-admission to Smt. Sruthy L. to Eighth Semester Integrated MBA programme in MSN Institute Of Management And Technology along with the 2019-2024 batch.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be noted.

#### Item No.06.71.02

Inter Collegiate Transfer to III Semester - CBCSS - B.Sc Geology Course - Request for Transfer from Self Financing College to Government College - Rishabh D Prasanth - Reg.

[Ac AIII]

As per the norms for inter-collegiate transfer of candidates undergoing First Degree Program under CBCS System, vide U.O No. Ac D/1/2011 Dated:09.06.2011, Clause C(II) to Clause C(III), **Transfer is permitted only between,** 

# (i) Government/Aided Institutions. (ii) Self Financing Institutions.

Transfer from Self -Financing College to Government/Aided Colleges is not permitted.

Transfer from Government to Unaided Institutions shall be permitted only on the willingness of Student/guardian.

Based on the said norms, notification for ICT of candidates undergoing CBCSS Degree Programmes are invited to the Third and Fifth Semesters every year and in the notifications also, it is specified that transfer is effected only between institutions of identical category and fee structure.

Sri. Rishabh D Prasanth, B.Sc Geology Candidate, admitted in merit quota at Saraswathi College of Arts and Science, Vilappilsala (Self Financing) requested inter Collegiate transfer to III Semester at University College, Thiruvananthapuram (Govt.) during the academic year 2023-24, based on the notification issued from the University and as it was not in tune with the norms of the University for inter collegiate transfer, his request was rejected and memo was issued. Aggrieved by the above decision, Sri. Rishabh D Prasanth, submitted a representation requesting to re-consider the decision taken by the University and to permit his transfer from Saraswathi College of Arts and Science, Vilappilsala (Self Financing) to University College, Thiruvananthapuram (Government) by modifying the existing norms for Inter Collegiate transfer of CBCSS Programmes.

In this connection, it may be noted, similar requests from candidates admitted in the self Financing stream to Government Colleges were rejected by the University in previous instances including this academic year. Also in the case other courses for which inter-collegiate transfer are currently sanctioning, transfer from Self-Financing colleges to Government colleges are not permitted.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the representation received from Sri. Rishabh D Prasanth, requesting transfer from Saraswathi College of Arts and Science, Vilappilsala (Self Financing) to University College, Thiruvananthapuram (Government) to the III Semester Geology Course by modifying the existing norms for Inter Collegiate transfer of CBCSS Programmes, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to reject the request of Sri.Rishabh D.Prasanth, for transfer from a Self Financing College to Government College.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.71.03

Inter Collegiate Transfer to III Semester - Integrated Five year BBA LLB Degree Course - Request for Transfer from Merit Seat at Sree Narayana Guru College of Legal Studies, Kollam to Management Seat at Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira - Riya Mariam Koshy-Reg

[Ac.AIII]

As per the norms for inter-collegiate transfer of LL.B candidates, vide U.O No. Ac AIII/3/FoL/IV-A-V/2016 Dated:14.06.2016, Clause 4 &5, it is stipulated that

Category of seat in both the colleges be identical, ie, transfer is permitted only between **merit** to merit quota and management to management quota.

Transfer may be permitted in the third to Fifth semesters in five year stream.

Smt. Riya Mariam Koshy, Integrated Five year BBA LLB candidate admitted in Merit quota at Sree Narayana Guru College of Legal Studies, Kollam (Self Financing) requested inter college transfer to the III Semester in Management Quota at Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira (Self financing) during the academic year 2023-24, recommended by the respective Principals. As the request of the candidate for transfer from Merit Seat to Management seat was not in tune with the norms of the University for inter collegiate transfer of LL.B candidates, her request was rejected and memo was issued. Aggrieved by the above decision, Sri. Koshy George, Father of the candidate has submitted a representation requesting the University to re-consider the application for ICT of the candidate to III Semester from Merit Seat at Sree Narayana Guru College of Legal Studies, Kollam (Self Financing) to Management seat at Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira (Self financing) citing medical reasons (Medical Certificate produced) and change in residence. In the representation, the petitioner has expressed willingness to pay the fees applicable in the Management seat, if ICT is granted.

As per the orders of the Registrar, the representation received from Sri. Koshy George requesting ICT to his daughter Smt. Riya Mariam Koshy, admitted in Merit quota at Sree Narayana Guru College of Legal Studies, Kollam (Self Financing) to the III Semester Integrated Five year BBA LL.B course in Management Seat at Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira (Self financing) is placed before the Standing committee of the Syndicate for recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant Inter College Transfer to Smt. Riya Mariam Koshy, admitted in Merit quota at Sree Narayana Guru College of Legal Studies, Kollam (Self Financing) to the III Semester Integrated Five year BBA LL.B course in Management Seat at Mar Gregorios College of Law, Nalanchira (Self financing), as a special case in the light of medical documents produced.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be noted.

# Item No.06.71.04 M.Ed Prospectus 2023- seat reservation pattern- modification-reg.

[Ac.AIII]

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 17.08.2021 decided to change the admission procedure of M.Ed programme to online mode. Accordingly the annual Meeting of the Faculty of Education held on 28th March 2023 endorsed the matter regarding the modification /additions in the prospectus to cope up with online mode and to place the report before the Syndicate.

Online admission section has forwarded a proposal on the ranking, seat reservation pattern etc for admission to M.Ed courses. The Academic Council at its meeting held on 25/05/2023 approved the minutes of the Faculty of Education and recommended that the matter regarding the adherence of seat reservation pattern of M.Ed programmes in self financing Colleges similar to that of B.Ed programmes be placed before the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

Recommended Seat Reservation for M.Ed Course at Govt and self financing (merit seat) institutions is as follows:

S1.No	o. Category		Percentage
(A)	Open Merit		60%
(B)	Socially and Educationally Backward Classes		30%
	a. Ezhava (EZ)	9%	
	b. Muslim (MU)	8%	
	c. Other Backward Hindu (OBH)	3%	
	d. Latin Catholic (LC)& Anglo Indian (AI)	3%	
	e. Dheevara and related communities (DV)	2%	
	f. Viswakarma and related communities (VK)	2%	
	g. Kusavan and related communities (KN)	1%	
	h. Other Backward Christian (OBX)	1%	
	i. Kudumbi (KU)	1%	
(C)	Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes		10%
	a. Scheduled Castes (SC)	8%	
	b. Scheduled Tribes (ST)	2%	
(D)	EWS		10% over and above

EWS reservation has been included over and above the sanctioned strength and modified reservation pattern is as follows:-

- Percentage of reservation for Differently Abled candidates has been enhanced to 5%. Fifty percent seats under this category will be reserved for 'Blind' candidates.
- A relaxation of 5% marks in the qualifying examination from the prescribed minimum may be allowed to Differently Abled candidates.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.10.2023(Item no. 05.11) considered the matter and resolved to entrust the Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate, Sri. R. Rajesh, Dr. J S Shijukhan, Members Syndicate to examine the matter regarding the seat reservation pattern for the preparation of M.Ed Prospectus 2023 and place the report before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor, the report submitted by the Sub Committe of the Syndicate on seat reservation Pattern of M.Ed Prospectus 2023 is placed before the StandingCommittee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation. (Copy of the report is attached).

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to approve the report submitted by the Sub Committee of the Syndicate on seat reservation pattern of M.Ed Prospectus 2023.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be noted.

Item No.06.71.05

Application for the Proposed T.K.M. College of Teacher Education, Kilikolloor, Kollam— Unaided —Training College —Academic year 2023-'24 — Consideration of — Reg.

[Ac.BII]

The application submitted by Sri. T K Shahal Hassan Musaliar, Chairman on behalf of the Educational Agency, Medina Trust for Education and Cultural Development, Kilikolloor, Kollam, on 30/08/2022 for affiliation to a new un-aided Training College for the academic year 2023-24, namely 'TKM Centre for Higher Learning, Kilikolloor, Kollam' was considered by the Syndicate at its meeting held on 14/10/2022 vide item No.47.47.01 and resolved to forward the application to the Estate Officer for Verification of land documents submitted by the Educational Agency.

The Syndicate held on 09.06.2023 vide Item No. 58.61 considered the final Land Verification Report furnished by the Estate Officer and the remarks of the Legal Adviser and resolved to conduct a local enquiry by a team consisting of Members, Syndicate at the proposed site as stipulated in Statute 8, Chapter 24 of Kerala University First Statutes, 1977. Local enquiry was conducted then and the report was placed before the Syndicate for decision.

As per Statute 9, Chapter 24 of Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, the Syndicate shall decide after considering the report of the local enquiry and ascertaining the views of the Government whether the affiliation be granted or refused, either in part or in whole. Affiliation if granted, shall be reported to the Senate at its next meeting. The report placed was approved by the Syndicate on 27.06.2023 vide item No. 59.151.9 and resolved to seek views of the Government in starting new training college.

The Syndicate further accepted the request of the educational agency to change the name of the proposed college from 'TKM Centre for Higher Learning, Kilikolloor, Kollam' to 'T.K.M College of Teacher Education, Kilikolloor, Kollam'.

The views of the Government in this regard were obtained subsequently. The Syndicate on 14.08.2023 vide item no.02.118.19 resolved to conduct inspection at the proposed site by the Members, Syndicate and subject experts.

The details of Inspection conducted are as follows:

Name of the College : T.K.M College of Teacher Education, Kilikolloor, Kollam Educational Agency : Medina Trust for Education and Cultural Development

Kilikolloor, Kollam

**Date of Inspection**: 26/08/2023

Courses for which inspection has been conducted : B.Ed

**Observation** 

Examined the physical environment, infrastructural facilities, faculty list and found to be conducive and adequate.

The infrastructural facilities included sufficient number of lecture rooms labs, library, faculty rooms, rest rooms etc.

Regarding the teaching faculty, ten faculty members including Principal and one librarian are appointed.

#### Recommendation

Recommends the University to give Conditional affiliation to the proposed college. A detailed inspection has been recommended within a period of 6(six) months as per NCTE and University norms and regulations.

#### **Documents Submitted**

- 1. Undertaking that sufficent books on more than hundred titles on education and required equipment for laborataries will be set up on getting intimation from NCTE.
- 2. List of faculties and librarian.
- 3. Copy of Appointment Order issued to the Principal dated 06.08.2023.
- 4. Curriculum Vitae/Resume of the Principal and other staff.

In the light of the report mentioned above, in accordance to the Orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of considering application submitted by the Educational Agency, Medina Trust for Education and Cultural Development, Kilikolloor, Kollam for affiliation of new Un-aided training College for the academic year 2023-'24, namely 'T.K.M College of Teacher Education, Kilikolloor, Kollam' on the basis of the inspection report furnished by the team constituted is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to accept the report of inspection and to grant conditional affiliation as stipulated in Statute 12, Chapter 24 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, to 'T.K.M College of Teacher Education, Kilikolloor, Kollam" for B.Ed programme from the academic year 2024-25, subject to fulfilment of procedural formalities of affiliation and the admissions shall be made only after submitting the order of recognition from NCTE to the University.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.71.06

St. John's College, Anchal, Kollam – Government Concurrence for Course Conversion - M.A Public Administration (Aided) Programme to M.A Political Science (Aided) Programme from Academic Year 2024-'25 onwards – reg.

[Ac.BII]

Government vide G.O.(Ms.) No.582/2023/HEDN dated 19.10.2023, of Higher Education (B) Department, has issued concurrence for conversion of M.A Public Administration (Aided) Programme to M.A Political Science (Aided) Programme from Academic Year 2024-'25 onwards in St.John's College, Anchal, Kollam.

In connection with the above, the following facts may be noted.

- St.John's College, Anchal, Kollam was affiliated to University of Kerala since the year 1964 and the M.A Public Administration Course was started during the year 1999.
- Vide letter dated 03.12.2019, the Manager, St.John's College, Anchal, Kollam, had requested conversion of M.A Public Administration Course to M.A Political Science Course from 2020 admission onwards
- However, college had not submitted the application for affiliation of new courses for the
  academic year 2020-21 within the statutorily prescribed time limit (ie, 31st August 2019 in
  this case). Moreover, St.John's, Anchal, being an Aided College, the permission of the State
  Government was also pending for the University to proceed with the request.
- The Government vide a letter dated 05.03.2021, sought a report on course conversion with reference to the Minutes of the meeting chaired by Hon'ble Minister for higher education on

18.01.2021. As per para 3 of the minutes, the Registrar, had informed that though the course conversion in the college may not incur any technical difficulty, the same may be practically difficult a if there are teachers appointed for teaching Public Administration programme and the college being under the aided category.

- On the basis of the above, the details of educational qualification of the faculties in M.A.Public Administration programme working in St.John's College was sought from the college. The college in reply furnished that there were six teachers in total in the Department of Political Science and Public Administration in the college and no permanent faculty working in Public Administration discipline in the college at the point of time of their request, and the teachers in the department had PG Degree in Political Science.
- The meeting of the Syndicate held on 11.06.2021, vide item number 28.20.11 considered the request from the Manager, St. John's College, Anchal for conversion of affiliation from M.A. Public Administration course to M.A. Political Science course from 2020 admission onwards, and resolved to entrust the Registrar to submit a report on the matter, in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Statute.
- The Registrar ordered to collect a report from Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and Chairman, Board of Studies for the academic aspects of course shifting from M.A. Public Administration to M.A. Political Science. Accordingly, the remarks of the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Chairman, BoS in Political Science, Chairperson, BoS Public Administration were obtained and the same placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research, on the orders of the Vice Chancellor.
- The meeting of the Syndicate held on 17.08.2021, considering the Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research, item No. 31.62.D24, resolved to approve the change of Programme of M.A. Public Administration to M.A Political Science in St. John's College, Anchal in principle and forward the same to the Government for concurrence. The same was communicated to Government vide letter dated 11.07.2021.

Now, Government has issued concurrence vide G.O.(Ms.) No.582/2023/HEDN dated 19.10.2023 of Higher Education (B) Department for conversion of M.A Public Administration (Aided) Programme to M.A Political Science (Aided) Programme from Academic Year 2024-'25 onwards in St.John's College, Anchal, Kollam.

In the light of the facts furnished above, the Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the Government concurrence for conversion of M.A Public Administration (Aided) Programme to M.A Political Science (Aided) Programme in St.John's College, Anchal, Kollam from Academic Year 2024-'25 onwards before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to conduct an inspection in the college by a team consisting of Sri R.Rajesh, Member, Syndicate and Dr.Josukutty C.A., Professor, Department of Political Science as subject expert to verify the instructional facilities made available for starting M.A. Political Science Programme from the academic year 2024-'25.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.71.07

Mater Dei CMI College - Request for discontinuance- B.A. English Language and Literature programme from the academic year 2023-'24 onwards - for consideration and recommendation - reg.

[Ac.BII]

The Manager, Mater Dei CMI College, Enathu, Adoor, vide letter No. MDC/2.009/2023-'24 dated 03.10.2023, has requested discontinuance of B.A. English Language and Literature programme in the college from the academic year 2023-'24.

As per the letter, the college was accredited to conduct B.A. English Language and Literature programme from the academic year 2016-'17. In 2022-'23, there were only four admissions to the programme and in the current academic year i.e., 2023-'24, there are no admissions to the said programme. Hence the management of Mater Dei CMI College, Enathu, Adoor, Pathanamthitta,

has requested discontinuance of B.A. English Language and Literature programme in the college from the academic year 2023-'24.

In connection with the above, it may be noted that provisional affiliation was sanctioned to Mater Dei CMI College, Enathu, Adoor, Pathanamthitta, for the academic year 2014-'15, to function on self financing basis for the conduct of B.Com Commerce with Computer Application under 2(b) with 40 seats, B.A. English Language & Literature with 30 seats, and BBA with 30 seats.

B.Com Commerce & Tax Procedure & Practice (2020-'21) with an intake of 50 and B.Sc. Psychology (2020-'21) with an intake of 30 students were eventually sanctioned to the college.

However, as per the request from the Manager, Mater Dei CMI College, Enathu, Adoor, Pathanamthitta, sanction was granted for discontinuance of BBA programme in the college from the academic year 2022-'23 as per the resolution of the Syndicate in its meeting held on 28.02.2023, item No.52.11.

Following the request made by the Manager, Mater Dei CMI College, Enathu, Adoor, Pathanamthitta, for discontinuance of B.A. English Language & Literature programme, remarks were sought from the online admissions section regarding the admissions to the said programme in the college. The section after obtaining details from KUCC has informed that there have been no admissions made to the said programme in the academic year 2023-'24.

Provisions for closure of a course of study and the procedural formalities followed may be seen below.

- Statute 15(b) of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, provides that, "(b) No course of study shall be abolished in any College without the prior approval of the Syndicate".
- Moreover, vide U.O. No. Ac.B/03/2014-'15, dated 31.12.2015, an amount of Rs. 20,000/- is fixed as fee for closure of a course of study.

In the light of the above, the Vice Chancellor has ordered that the request from the Manager, Mater Dei CMI College, Enathu, Adoor, Pathanamthitta, for **discontinuance ofB.A. English Language & Literature programme, from the academic year 2023-'24**, be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to permit closure of B.A. English Language & Literature programme in Mater Dei CMI College, Enathu, Adoor, Pathanamthitta, from the academic year 2023-'24 onwards, as per the existing norms

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.71.08

KVVS College of Science and Technology, Kaithaparamabu, Adoor, - Request for discontinuance- B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme from the academic year 2023-'24 onwards- for consideration and recommendation – reg.

[Ac.BII]

The Secretary, Vanika Vaisya Educational and Employment Trust, vide letter No. VVE&ET/KVVSCST – B.Sc. Physics &CA/323/2023 dated 04.10.2023, has requested discontinuance of B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme in the college from the academic year 2023-'24.

As per the letter, the college was given Affiliation Order No.Ac. BII/13248/2021 dated 10.12.2021 for starting B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme. Although having incurred huge expenses towards providing infrastructural and institutional facilities for the affiliation of the course, there was not even a single admission to the said course in the college in the academic years 2021-'22, 2022-'23 & 2023-'24.

Further, as per the letter, in continuation to reporting the matter to the Annual General Body and Governing body members of the Vanika Vaisya Educational and Employment Trust, it has been decided to wind up the course with immediate effect and inform the University and the Government of Kerala accordingly. In the above situation, the Secretary has requested to favourably consider the

request for cancellation of B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme from the academic year 2023-'24.

The following points may be noted with regard to the request from the Secretary, Vanika Vaisya Educational and Employment Trust, the educational agency of KVVS College of Science and Technology, Kaithaparamabu, Adoor, for cancellation of B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme from the academic year 2023-'24:

• KVVS College of Science and Technology, Kaithaparamabu, Adoor, Pathanamthitta, was provisionally affiliated to the University in 1995 and is offering the following programmes.

B.Sc. Computer Science	30
B.Sc. Electronics	30
B.Sc. Botany & Biotechnology	30
B.Sc. Physics and Computer Application	24
B.A. English and Communicative English	30
B.Com. (Elective-Computer Application)	40
B.Com. – Commerce with Computer Application under 2(b)	40
B.Com. Finance	50
B.B.A.	30
B.C.A.	30
B.Com Commerce and Tourism and Travel Management under 2(a)	40
M.Com. (Finance and Accounting)	12
M.Sc. Botany	12

- B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme was provisionally sanctioned to the college in 2021-'22.
- Following the request made by the Secretary, Vanika Vaisya Educational and Employment Trust, the educational agency of KVVS College of Science and Technology, Kaithaparamabu, Adoor, for cancellation of B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme from the academic year 2023-'24, remarks were sought from the online admissions section regarding the admissions to the said programme in the college. The section after obtaining details from KUCC has informed that there have been no admissions made to the said programme in the academic year from 2021-'22 to 2023-'24.

Provisions for closure of a course of study and the procedural formalities followed may be seen below.

- Statute 15(b) of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, provides that, "(b) No course of study shall be abolished in any College without the prior approval of the Syndicate".
- Moreover, vide U.O. No. Ac.B/03/2014-'15, dated 31.12.2015, an amount of Rs.20,000/- is fixed as fee for closure of of a course of study.

In the light of the above, the Vice Chancellor has ordered that the request from the Secretary, Vanika Vaisya Educational and Employment Trust, the educational agency of KVVS College of Science and Technology, Kaithaparamabu, Adoor, for cancellation of B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme from the academic year 2023-'24, be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to permit closure of B.Sc. Physics & Computer Application programme in KVVS College of Science and Technology, Kaithaparamabu, Adoor from the academic year 2023-'24, as per the existing norms.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.71.09 KTCT College of Arts & Science- B.A. Sociology programme- changing the complimentary course- Economics to History- reg.

[Ac.BII]

The Principal, KTCT College of Arts & Science, vide letter No. KTCTCAS1889/2023, dated 31.07.2023, requested to make necessary endorsement and issue concurrence for changing the complimentary course II of BA Sociology programme from Economics to History.

The following proposal was put forth by the Principal.

Semester	Code & Name of Current Paper		Code & Name of Proposed Paper	
Sem I	EC1131	Foundation of Economic Theory	HY1131.1	History of National
Sem i	LCIIII	(2019 Admission onwards)	1111131.1	Movement in India Part I
Sem II		Money and Banking (2019	HY1231.3	History of National
Selli II		Admn onwards)		Movement in India Part II
Sem III	III EC1331	Introduction to International	HY1331.5	History of National
Selli III		Trade & Public Economics	1111331.3	Movement in India Part III
Sem IV	IV EC1431 Indian Economy Since Independence		HY1431.7	Contemporary India
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With regard to the above, it may be noted that Provisional Affiliation was granted to KTCT College of Arts & Science, TVPM, to function on self financing basis for the academic year 2014-'15.

The college is currently offering the following programmes.

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B.A. Economics	35
B.A. Sociology	30
B.Com. (Elective – Co-operation)	40
B.B.A.	30
B.Com. (Elective -Computer Application)	40
B.Com. Accounting with Finance	30
B.Sc. Mathematics	30
B.A. English Language and literature	40
M.A. English Language and literature	20
M.A. Economics	20
M.Com. Finance and Accounting	20

B.A. Sociology was sanctioned for the academic year 2021-'22, in the college with an intake of 30 students.

The academic section concerned has confirmed that as per the latest revised Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in History under CBCS system (revised w.e.f. 2022 admission), the complementary courses as proposed by the Principal are permissible for First Degree Programme in Sociology under CBCS System.

However, since the college was conducting no main programmes in History, the Principal was requested to furnish details of the facilities made available for the conduct of the complementary papers for BA Sociology programme. The Principal, in reply has informed that History papers were already being taught as complimentary subject for Economics Main which was started in 2014, and further has forwarded the qualifying certificate of the faculty appointed for teaching the subject and the list of books made available for teaching of History in the college.

In the light of the above, the Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the request for change of Complementary paper of BA Sociology from Economics to History, in the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to conduct an inspection in the college by a team consisting of Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Convenor of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, Dr.P.M. Radhamany, Member Syndicate and Dr.Shaji A., Professor & Head, Department of History as Subject Expert to verify the instructional facilities in connection with the request for complimentary change.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be

noted.

#### Item No.06.71.10

Self Financing Engineering Colleges – College of Architecture – affiliation shifted to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University –Request for return of FD receipt furnished as Financial Guarantee – for consideration.

[Ac.BII]

The Manager, College of Architecture, Trivandrum, vide letter no.CAT/KTU/RFD/1/2023 dated 18.04.2023 submitted a request for returning the Receipt of Fixed Deposit furnished by the college as financial guarantee at the time of affiliation, and to release the land mortgage agreement with the University, the affiliation of the college having been shifted to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University from 2016-'17 admission onwards.

The following points may be noted in this regard:

- The college was provisionally affiliated to the University for the academic year 2011 -'12 for the conduct of Bachelor of Architecture only with an intake of 40 students.
- Later additional batches of 80 students were given affiliation to vide UO No. Ac.BI/36305/2011 dated 25.11.2011.
- Vide G.O.(Rt.) No.2286/2015/H.Edn. dated 03.09.2015, Govt. accorded sanction for disaffiliating Architecture courses offered by the institutes having AICTE approval and to mandatorily affiliate them to Kerala Technological University from 2016-'17.
- After the shifting of affiliation of the college to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University from 2016-'17 admission onwards, the students of previous batches were allowed to continue and complete their studies with affiliation to University of Kerala. As per the above, the last batch of Students under the University of Kerala, completed their course by 2019-'20 Academic year
- The amount of Annual Administrative Fee payable by Engineering colleges was fixed @ Rs.5,00,000 vide U.O.No.Ac.B/2009 dated 18.03.2009. The Annual Administration Fees in respect of the continuing batches were informed to be levied at proportionate rates by the Govt. The college has remitted Annual Administration Fee till 2019-'20 AY
- In connection with the request for release of the Receipt of FD, in the context of shifting of affiliation, a Note was forwarded to the PA to the Controller of Examinations and PA to the Finance Officer seeking, credit verification, and details of dues/liabilities, financial or non financial pertaining to the college. In response to the Note, the following were informed
- EE II B section has reported that from the verification of the available documents, **the college** is found to have no dues or liabilities pertaining to the conduct of B.Arch Degree Examination or by any other means in connection with the nature of work in the section.
- CA section has also reported that since no provisional advance has been granted to College of Architecture, Trivandrum, no dues or liabilities were found against the college as per the Registers available in CA section. It may be seen that the Controller of Examinations has approved the above remarks from concerned sections.
- Further, Cash R section and Cash R DD section from the Finance wing have verified the credit in respect of the Administrative fee paid by the college during the years of affiliation of the college from the Financial Year 2015, and have also reported that the details pertaining the period prior to 01.04.2015 cannot be obtained owing to server crash.
- Revenue Audit section also reported after verification of details available that **the college has no special fee dues** during the academic year from 2011-12 to 2019-20 and the same has been endorsed by the Finance Officer.

The file was submitted to the Vice Chancellor and it was ordered to get legal opinion and opinion from Technological University regarding whether the FD be transferred to them as the affiliation of engineering colleges had been transferred to them.

Accordingly, a note was sent to the legal section seeking opinion in the matter and a letter was sent to the Registrar, APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, seeking their opinion.

In the reply received from the Registrar, APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, it was informed that all the self financing engineering colleges, in compliance of the directions of APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, have remitted the first two instalments amounting to Five

Lakhs each, from a total of Rs.25 lakhs mandated as per Clause 3.2 of the Affiliation Manual of APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, and nine colleges including College of Architecture, Trivandrum, had already submitted the FDR for Rs. 25 lakhs to the University.

The Registrar, APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, has also stated that they are not in a position to accept the transfer Fixed Deposit Receipt submitted by various Self Financing Engineering Colleges in University of Kerala

Further, the Director, CAT, in a letter dated 14.09.2023 to the Vice Chancellor, requested that since the required deposit to KTU has already been made, and that since the University of Kerala and College of Architecture, Trivandrum are the only original parties in the agreement, the FD receipt furnished as proof of financial guarantee be returned straight to the college authority.

The Vice Chancellor, considered the remarks of the Registrar, APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, and ordered to place the matter of release of the receipt of Fixed Deposit furnished as financial guarantee in the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to release the lien on the Fixed Deposit Receipt furnished as financial guarantee by College of Architecture, Trivandrum and return the Fixed Deposit Receipt, as there is no dues reported against the College.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.71.11

Self Financing Engineering Colleges – MES Institute of Technology and Management – affiliation shifted to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University – Request for return of FD receipt furnished as Financial Guarantee – for consideration.

[Ac.BII]

The Principal, MES Institute of Technology and Management, Chathannoor P.O., Kollam, vide letter dated 07.11.2022, forwarding the balance amount of Annual Administration Fee payable by the college until 2017-'18, till which the last batch of students admitted during 2014-'15, requested that necessary steps be taken for release of the Receipt of Fixed Deposit furnished by the college as financial guarantee at the time of affiliation.

The following points may be noted in this regard:

- Provisional Affiliation was granted to MES Institute of Technology and Management, Chathannoor P.O., Kollam by Muslim Educational Society, Kozhikode, for the academic year 2009-'10 to function on self financing basis in B.Tech Degree Courses
- As per the records in the section, the college had been provisionally affiliated for the conduct of the following programmes with an intake of 60 each.
- Civil Engineering
- Electronics & Communication Engineering
- Electrical & Electronics Engineering
- Computer Science & Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- From 2015 admission onwards the affiliation of the College was mandatorily shifted to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University by the State Govt. vide G.O.(Ms.) No: 93/2015/H.Edn. dated 11.03.2015.
- Even after the shifting of affiliation of the college to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University from 2015-'16 admission onwards, the students of previous batches were allowed to continue and complete their studies with affiliation to University of Kerala. As per the above, the last batch of Students under the University, completed their course in 2017-'18 Academic year
- The amount of Annual Administrative Fee payable by Engineering colleges was fixed @ Rs.5,00,000 vide U.O.No.Ac.B/2009 dated 18.03.2009. The Annual Administration Fees in respect of the continuing batches were informed to be levied at proportionate rates by the Govt. Accordingly, the college remitted the balance amount of fee payable till the period

#### of course completion of last batch of students affiliated to University of Kerala.

- In connection with the request for release of the Receipt of FD, in the context of shifting of affiliation, a Note was forwarded to the PA to the Controller of Examinations and PA to the Finance Officer seeking, credit verification, and details of dues/liabilities, financial or non financial pertaining to the college. In response to the Note, the following were informed
- The Revenue Audit section has informed that MES Institute of Technology and Management, Chathannoor, **has no special fee dues** during the period from the academic year 2009-'10 to 2017-'18 and the same has been endorsed by the Finance Officer.
- The OAD sections have also informed that **no dues/liabilities** outstanding against the college have been found
- The CA section also has informed that there are **no dues and liabilities** found against MES Institute of Technology and Management, Chathannoor, regarding conduct of examinations and the CE has approved of the same.
- Cash R DD section has verified credit of the payments made, though it was informed that as per U.O.No. Ad. BII/10648/07/2018 dated 26.07.2018, the services on remittances made prior to April 2015 have been stopped and hence no credit verification is possible.

The file was submitted to the Vice Chancellor and it was ordered to get legal opinion and opinion from Technological University in the matter of release of FDR.

In the reply received from the Registrar, APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, it was informed that all the self financing engineering colleges, in compliance of the directions of APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, have remitted the first two instalments amounting to Five Lakhs each, from a total of Rs.25 lakhs mandated as per Clause 3.2 of the Affiliation Manual of APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, and nine colleges including College of Architecture, Trivandrum, had already submitted the FDR for Rs. 25 lakhs to the University. Further, it was intimated that APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University was **not in a position to accept the transfer of Fixed Deposit Receipts submitted by various self-financing Engineering Colleges in the University**.

The Vice Chancellor, in the light of the above, has ordered to place the matter of release of the receipt of Fixed Deposit, furnished as financial guarantee, i.r.o. MES Institute of Technology and Management, Chathannoor P.O., Kollam, in the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to release the lien on the Fixed Deposit Receipt furnished as financial guarantee by MES Institute of Technology and Management, Chathannoor P.O., Kollam and return the Fixed Deposit Receipt, as there are no dues reported against the College.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.71.12

Self Financing Engineering College – Valia Koonambaikulathamma College of Engineering & Technology, Paripally, TVPM – release of FD Receipt – request for – reg.

[Ac.BII]

The Principal, Valia Koonambaikulathamma College of Engineering & Technology, vide letter No.VKCET/C6/33/2022, forwarded the receipt of the balance amount of Annual Administration Fee of Rs.2,50,000/- vide receipt no.22035412, dated 02.12.2022 and requested that the receipt of the Fixed Deposit, furnished as financial guarantee and kept under the safe custody of the University be released.

As per the letter, the college had been informed by the University to remit the proportionate amount of Annual Administration Fee @ Rs. 2.5 lakh for 2016-'17 and Rs. 1.25 lakh for 2017-'18 academic years. However, the college informed that they had already remitted Rs.5 lakh for the academic year 2015-'16, when they had to pay only an amount of Rs. 3.75 lakhs proportionately. Therefore, the college requested that an amount of Rs.3.75 lakh out of 5 lakh rupees already remitted may be accounted as the proportionate amount of fee payable for the academic year 2015 – '16, and

the balance amount of Rs. 1.25 lakh be adjusted against the amount payable for the academic years 2016-17 and 2017-18.

In connection with the above, the following may be noted:

• Provisional Affiliation was granted to Valia Koonambaikulathamma College of Engineering & Technology, Thiruvnanthapuram, under the Educational Agency, Sree Bhadrakkali Kshethra Trust, Vadakkevila, Kollam, for the conduct of B.Tech. programmes.

• The college has been conducting the following programmes with intake as noted.

Programme	Year of sanctioning the programme	Sanctioned intake
B.Tech Computer Science & Engineering	2009-'10	60
B.Tech Mechanical Engineering	2009-'10	60
B.Tech Electronics & Communication Engineering	2009-'10	60
B.Tech Electrical & Electronics Engineering	2009-'10	60
B.Tech Civil Engineering	2011-'12	60

• The college has remitted the Annual Administration Fee fixed for Engineering college as noted below.

2009-10	Rs.5,00,000	KUF 26116 dtd 14.10.09	210241 of 05.10.2009 of IOB
2010-11	Rs.5,00,000	FRIENDS	KLM100403/01/56 dtd 03.04.2010
2011-12	Rs.5,00,000	FRIENDS	KLM110507/04/9297 dtd 07.05.2011
2012-13	Rs.5,00,000	FRIENDS	0201-2012/35687 dtd 28.03.2012
2013-14	Rs.5,00,000	FRIENDS	0201-2013-21566 dtd 26.03.2013
2014-15	Rs.5,00,000	KUF 47662 Dtd 30.01.2014	DD 334725 Dtd 27.01.2014 of IOB
2015-'16	Rs.5,00,000	FRIENDS	0201-2015-37718 dtd 20.03.2015

- Vide G.O. (Ms.) No.93/2015/H.Edn., dated 11.03.2015, the affiliation of Engineering colleges imparting knowledge in various B.Tech & M.Tech programmes was shifted to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University from the admissions of 2015-'16 academic year onwards. However, the students from prior admissions who were into their second, third and fourth year of study were allowed to continue and complete their studies with the University.
- Most of the colleges thereby ceased to remit the annual administration fee. However, the vide letter dated 17.12.2020 of Higher Education (J) Dept., the Government permission for remittance of proportionate amount of Annual Fee by the self financing engineering colleges whose affiliation had been shifted to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University in accordance with the number of batches having affiliation with the University, was intimated.
- Accordingly, the amount of annual fee payable by Valia Koonambaikulathamma College of Engineering & Technology, Thiruvnanthapuram, was proportionately calculated for the period from 2015-'16 to 2017-'18. The college had to pay an amount of Rs.3,75,000/- for 2015-'16, Rs.2,50,000/- for 2016-'17 and Rs.1,25,000/- for 2017-'18.

However, the college had already paid an amount of Rs.5,00,000/- for 2015-'16 and therefore vide the current letter requested to account Rs.3,75,000/- from the Rs.5,00,000/- remitted, towards the amount payable for 2015-'16AY and to adjust the excess amount of Rs.1,25,000/- towards the proportionate amount payable for 2017-'18, i.e., 1,25,000/-, therby leaving the college with a balance payable amount of Rs.2,50,000/- only for the period 2016-'17.

- The college has now remitted the balance Annual Administration fee payable of Rs.2,50,000/vide receipt no.22035412, dated 02.12.2022 and has requeste release of the FD furnished as financial guarantee.
- In the light of the request received for release of the FD Receipt furnished as financial guarantee in respect of the college, a note was forwarded to PA to the Controller of Examinations and PA to the Finance Officer seeking details on whether the college has any dues/ liabilities, financial or non financial with the University and for verifying credit of payments made.
- In reply to the Note regarding dues/liabilities, the Revenue Audit section has informed that on verification of their registers, the college has no special fee dues for the period from 2009-10 to 2017-18. The Finance Officer has approved the above remarks.

- EE II G section has informed that the section does not deal about any financial matters with Valia Koonambaikulathamma College of Engineering & Technology, and has no liabilities in connection with tabulation, but the college is still a functioning exam centre for B.Tech supplementary exams of candidates from the college and for students of Musaliar College of Engineering, Chirayinkeezhu.
- M & C II section has informed that the college was involved in a case of wrong opening of
  question paper cover during S1, S2 B.Tech degree examination Feb, 2019 and an amount of
  Rs.40,000/- was imposed on the college which the college remitted on 09.11.2022. The
  Controller of Examination has approved of the above remarks furnished by sections under
  him
- The EC section had already furnished 'No dues' report with respect to regularization of Provisional Advances released for conduct of examination, but since the college was reported to be a functioning Exam Centre for supplementary exams of candidates from the college and for students of Musaliar College of Engineering, Chirayinkeezhu, the remarks from Camp Audit section was again sought and it was again reported that on verification of records in the section, no dues were found in connection with the conduct of examinations pending regularization.

On the orders of the Vice Chancellor the request for adjustment of the Annual Fee paid, and for release of the FD in respect of Valia Koonambaikulathamma College of Engineering & Technology, Parippally, Thiruvananthapuram, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to release the lien on the Fixed Deposit Receipt furnished as financial guarantee by Valia Koonambaikulathamma College of Engineering & Technology, Parippally, Thiruvananthapuram and return the Fixed Deposit Receipt, as there is no dues reported against the College.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

## Item No.06.71.13

Request from the Director, IHRD- to grant "Government Educational Institution Status" to the institutions under IHRD for all the academic and fee related matters- consideration of – reg.

[Ac.BII]

The Director, IHRD vide letter no.DA2/5728/2021/HRD(1) dated 19.10.2023 forwarded Government Order No.1508/2023/HEDN dated 11.10.2023 and requested to,

- consider IHRD at par with Govt colleges regarding all categories of fees like affiliation fees, inspection fees, fee for starting a new course, closure of course fee etc
- list IHRD institutions under Government institutions for all academic/fees related matters
- sanction permanent affiliation for central assistance under section 12(B) OF UGC Act.

During 2023-'24 Academic year, a new college viz., College of Applied Science, Kottarakkara under IHRD was granted conditional affiliation by the Syndicate held on 27.06.2023 vide item no.59.151.22 as per Statute 12, Chapter 24 of Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, subject to fulfilling the procedural formalities of affiliation.

But IHRD did not fulfill the procedural formalities in respect of remittance of fees applicable to self financing colleges. An amount of Rs.12,15,000/- (Twelve Lakhs Fifteen Thousand rupees) was pending towards the fees connected to the affiliation of new college. Then the Syndicate resolved to get an undertaking from the Director, IHRD and include the college in the admission portal. Accordingly an undertaking was submitted by the Director, IHRD, Dr.V.A.Arunkumar stating that all fees payable by the College of Applied Science, Kottarakara in connection with affiliation of the college shall be remitted in accordance with the decisions to be taken by the Government and the University with the approval of the competent authority. Accordingly, affiliation has been granted to College of Applied Science, Kottarakkara by the Syndicate during the academic year 2023-'24 without remitting any prescribed fees to the University.

In this circumstances, the Higher Education (J) Department vide G.O No.1508/2023/HEDN dated 11.10.2023 has issued orders to give "Government Educational Institution Status" to the institutions under IHRD for all the academic and fee related matters.

Later, vide G.O No.1565/2023/HEDN dated 19.10.2023 the Higher Education (J) Department amended the "fee" in the GO No.1508/2023/HEDN dated 11.10.2023 as "the fee collected by all the Universities and affiliated institutions from institutions under IHRD".

The following facts regarding the Government Orders may be noted.

1) G.O No.1508/2023/HEDN dated 11.10.2023 and G.O No.1565/2023/HEDN dated 19.10.2023 are general orders applicable to all institutions under IHRD issued by the Higher Education (J) Department.

At present, the following eight Arts & Science institutions under Institute of Human Resources Development (IHRD) are affiliated to this University.

- 1. College of Applied Sciences, Adoor, Pathanamthitta
- 2. College of Applied Sciences, Mavelikkara, Alappuzha
- 3. College of Applied Sciences, Dhanuvachapuram, Thiruvananthapuram 4. College of Applied Sciences, Kundara, Kollam
- 5. College of Applied Sciences, Karthikappally, Harippad, Alappuzha
- 6. College of Applied Science, Kalanjoor, Pathanamthitta
- 7. College of Applied Science, Perissery, Chengannur
- 8. College of Applied Science, Kottarakkara, Kollam
- 2) Also no provisions is meant for allocating additional grant to meet the revenue loss in this regards.

The revenue loss in respect of the affiliation fees in respect of the College of Applied Science, Kottarakkara under IHRD is Rs.12,15,000/- (Twelve Lakhs Fifteen Thousand rupees). Also there are applications for new courses, from existing colleges under IHRD and the dues in respect of new courses for the academic year 2023-24 in various Colleges of Applied Science, under IHRD is Rs.6,56,000/- (Six Lakhs Fifty Six Thousand rupees).

The difference in various fees for Government and self financing colleges as requested by the Director, IHRD is as follows.

Sl.	Fee details	Government	Self Financing	Difference
No.		Colleges	Colleges	
1.	Registration fee for			
	New College	2500	18500	16,000
	• New UG/PG Course (Per course)	900	8600	7,700
	• Permanent Enhancement of seats (per batch)	900	8600	7,700
2.	Fee for Verification of Records for			
	New College	9450	1,60,000	1,50,550
	New UG/PG Course	2300	40,000	37,700
	Permanent Enhancement of seat	2300	40,000	37,700
3.	Inspection Commission fee	3000	39,000	36,000
4.	Affiliation fee (at the time of sanctioning			
	college/course) for			
	New College	39,000	7,75,000	7,36,000
	• New UG/PG Course/ additional batch			
	(each programme)	750	78,000	77,250
	• Permanent Enhancement of seats (each			
	programme)	750	78,000	77,250
5.	Annual Administration fee for arts and	d Already waived by the Syndicate.		
	science college			
6.	Closure of course fee	21,000	21,000	0

There will be a big loss to the revenue of the University. Also there is no mentioning of allocating additional grant to the University in lieu of the revenue loss incurred. This orders are

neither issued by the Finance Department nor there is no reference regarding the concurrence obtained from Finance Department.

- 3) There is no specific direction in the abovementioned Government Orders regarding its retrospective operation. This cannot be relied upon in case applications for affiliation submitted for the academic year 2023-24.
- 4) Further the revenue loss incurred in lieu of the decision of the Syndicate in waving the Annual Administration Fee for the various Colleges of Applied Science, under IHRD, from the 2017-'18 to 2023-'24 is Rs.1,25,08,000/- (One crore twenty five lakhs and eight thousand rupees) and the revenue loss for the academic year 2024-'25 will be Rs.26,50,000/-(Twenty six lakhs and fifty thousand rupees).

The State Government vide G.O (Ms) No. 55/2017/H.Edn dated 14.02.2017 passed orders treating all institutions under IHRD on par with Government/Aided for certain purposes including Annual Administration Fee to the University.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.05.2017 vide item no 27.18.03 considered the G.O dated 14.02.2017 and resolved to exempt all self financing colleges coming under IHRD affiliated to University of Kerala from paying annual administration fee from 2017-18 onwards in view of G.O (Ms) No. 55/2017/H.Edn dated 14.02.2017.

The institutions under IHRD were thus exempted from paying annual administration fee. This incurred a big loss to the revenue of the University. Details are as follows:

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Sl. No.	Name of the College	Revenue to have received towards AAF from 2017-18 to 2023-24 in Rs			
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1.	CAS, Adoor, Pathanamthitta	28,32,000/-			
2.	CAS, Mavelikkara, Alappuzha	25,96,000/-			
3.	CAS, Dhanuvachapuram, Tvpm	21,24,000/-			
4.	CAS, Kundara, Kollam	11,80,000/-			
5.	CAS, Karthikappally, Alappuzha	14,16,000/-			
6.	CAS, Kalanjoor, Pathanamthitta	9,44,000/-			
7.	CAS, Perissery, Chengannur	14,16,000/-			
	Total	1,25,08,000/-			

5) The Syndicate at its meeting held on 25.05.2019 vide item no.09.72.15 resolved to review the exemption already granted to colleges managed by IHRD from paying annual administration fees and to make suitable communication to the Government in this regard. Accordingly, letter had been forwarded to the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education (B) Department, but the reply is pending.

Again the Syndicate at its meeting held on 27.06.2023 vide item no.59.74.08 while considering the G.O (MS) No.221/2023/HEDN dated 29.04.2023 to change the status of college of applied sciences under IHRD as 'Government Cost – Sharing institutions', resolved to write to the Higher Education Department and the Finance Department to review the fee exemption granted to IHRD Colleges for annual administration fee vide G.O (MS) No.55/2017/HEDN dated 14.02.2017 in the light of the directions of the Government to mobilize the revenue. Accordingly, letter no.Ac.BII/01/2023 dated 04.08.2023 has forwarded to Higher Education (J) Department and Finance Department and reply is awaiting. The matter is also intimated the Finance officer of the University of Kerala vide note dated 09.08.2023.

In these circumstances, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request from the Director, IHRD to consider Colleges under IHRD at par with Govt colleges regarding all categories of fees like affiliation fees, inspection fees, fee for starting a new course, closure of course fee etc and to sanction permanent affiliation for central assistance under section 12(B) of UGC Act 1956 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee recommended that the matter be referred to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to request the Government to review the matter of considering Colleges under IHRD at par with Government colleges regarding all categories of fees like affiliation fees, inspection fees, fee for starting a new course, closure of course fee etc and to sanction permanent affiliation for central assistance under section 12(B) of UGC Act 1956.

# Item No.06.71.14 College of Applied Science, Kottarakara - pending remittance of fees connected to Affiliation-Request for issue certificate of affiliation-consideration-reg

[Ac.BII]

The Principal, College of Applied Science, Kottarakara under Institute of Human Resources Development (IHRD) vide letter no.Acd/02/CASKTR/2023 dated 03.10.2023, has requested affiliation certificate to apply for KSRTC bus concession to students and for AISHE Registration in Ministry of Education, Government of India.

The College of Applied Science, Kottarakkara under IHRD was granted conditional affiliation during the academic year 2023-'24 with the following programmes by the Syndicate held on 27.06.2023 vide item no.59.151.22 as per Statute 12, Chapter 24 of Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, subject to fulfilling the procedural formalities of affiliation.

i) B.Sc Psychology - 32 seats
 ii) B.Sc Computer Science - 32 seats
 iii) B.Com Accounting with Finance - 40 seats
 iv) B.Com Co-operation - 40 seats
 v) B.A Journalism and Mass Communication - 40 seats

But the Educational Agency didn't fulfill the procedural formalities of affiliation and made arrears in respect of affiliation procedures. Accordingly, the college was permitted to conduct admission for the academic year 2023-'24 in the light of an undertaking submitted by the Director, IHRD.

It may be noted that, as per the resolutions of the Syndicate, affiliation certificates can be issued to colleges that don't have arrears in annual administration fees. Here the Educational Agency has a total amount of Rs.12,15,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Fifteen Thousand only) as fees pending in respect of granting affiliation.

During the pendency of this request to issue affiliation certificate, the Higher Education Department vide G.O No.1508/2023/HEDN dated 11.10.2023 has stated that all institutions under IHRD are granted with 'Government Educational Institution Status' in respect of all academic purposes and fee related activities.

Then the Government vide G.O No.1565/2023/HEDN dated 19.10.2023 has made it clear that the term 'fees' specified in the above mentioned G.O is meant to be that fees which are levied by Universities and other institutions to which IHRD colleges are affiliated to.

It may be noted that,

- It is a general order applicable to all institutions under IHRD.
- It is not issued by the Finance Department.
- No direction for retrospective operation is mentioned in the Order.
- No provisions is meant for allocating additional grant to meet the revenue loss in this regards.
- The revenue loss in respect of the affiliation fees in respect of the College of Applied Science, Kottarakkara under IHRD will be Rs.12,15,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Fifteen Thousand only).
- The revenue loss in respect of the affiliation fees in respect of new courses for the academic year 2023-24 in various Colleges of Applied Science, under IHRD will be Rs.6,56,000/-.
- The revenue loss incurred in lieu of waving the Annual Administration Fee for the various Colleges of Applied Science, under IHRD, from the 2017-18 onwards is Rs.1,25,08,000/-.

The G.O No.1508/2023/HEDN dated 11.10.2023 & Government vide G.O No.1565/2023/HEDN dated 19.10.2023 is under consideration of the University.

In this circumstance, according to the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request of the Principal, College of Applied Science, Kottarakara under Institute of Human Resources Development (IHRD) to issue affiliation order to apply for KSRTC bus concession to students and for AISHE Registration in Ministry of Education, Government of India, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to issue affiliation certificate as requested by the Principal, College of Applied Science, Kottarakara under Institute of Human Resources Development (IHRD).

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be noted.

#### Item No.06.71.15

The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada- request for permit to start the new courses viz; BBA LL.B and B.Sc (IT) LL.B for the academic year 2024-25 which are already sanctioned to the academic year 2023-24-reg.

[Ac.BII]

The letter dated 12.10.2023 from the Principal, The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada may please be seen.

The Principal, The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada stated that the University has sanctioned affiliation for starting new BBA LL.B and B.Sc (IT) LL.B courses for the academic year 2023-24. But the Bar Council of India has not given the permission to start the above mentioned courses in the academic 2023-24, on the reason that the application for the same was filed only after the last date ie. 31/12/2022.

Being the fact, for submitting application to the BCI to start the above mentioned new courses for the academic year 2024-25, they have required order of affiliation from the University of Kerala for the academic year 2024-25.

Hence, the Principal, The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada requested to permit to start the new courses viz; BBA LL.B and B.Sc (IT) LL.B for the academic year 2024-25 which are already sanctioned to the academic year 2023-24.

#### The following points may be noted in this context.

- The Syndicate held on 27.06.2023 vide item no. 59.151.25 approved to granted conditional affiliation as stipulated in Statute 12, Chapter 24 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, to new Integrated 5 year BBA LLB course with intake of 60 students in the Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada during the academic year 2023-'24, subject to fulfillment of procedural formalities of affiliation.
- Also, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.07.2023 vide item no.01.11 approved to grant conditional affiliation as stipulated in Statute 12, Chapter 24 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, to new Integrated 5 year BSc (IT) LL.B course with intake of 60 students in he Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada during the academic year 2023-'24, subject to fulfillment of procedural formalities of affiliation.
- The college has fulfilled the procedural formalities of affiliation for of new Integrated 5 year BBA LLB and Integrated 5 year BSc (IT) LL.B course for the academic year 2023-'24.
- Being a professional course, LL.B Programmes requires approval from the Bar Council of India for conducting in the college.
- Hence, the University has directed to the college to submit order of approval from the Bar Council of India for the sanctioned programme so as to commence admission procedures for the current academic year vide the letters 5882/Ac B II/2023/UOK dated 08.07.2023 and 25.07.2023. The college has not submitted the same.
- Now, The Principal, The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada vide the letter said above stated that the Bar Council of India has not given the permission to start the above mentioned courses in the academic 2023-24, on the reason that the application for the same was filed only after the last date ie. 31/12/2022.
- Also, he has requested to permit to start the new courses viz; BBA LL.B and B.Sc (IT) LL.B for the academic year 2024-25 which are already sanctioned to the academic year 2023-24.

In the light of the above, as per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request of the Principal, The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada for permit to start the new courses viz; BBA LL.B and B.Sc (IT) LL.B to the academic year 2024-25 which are already sanctioned to the academic year 2023-24 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and letter dated 13.11.2023 from the Principal, Sree Narayana College of Legal Studies, Kollam

The Committee recommended to extend the conditional affiliation granted for new programmes in the following colleges during the 2023-'24 academic year to 2024-'25 academic year as the Colleges failed to start the programme for the want of approval from the Bar Council of India.

Sl.No	Colleges	Programme	
1.	The Kerala Law Academy Law	1. Integrated Five Year BBA LL.B	
	College, Perrorkada, TVPM.	2. Integrated Five Year B.Sc (IT) LL.B	
2.	Sree Narayana College of Legal	Unitary Degree Course in Law (3year)	
	Studies, Kollam		

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.71.16 Submission of Sri. Abhinash J and report of the Principal, Bishop Jesudasan CSI Arts and Science College, Mulayara

[Ac.BI]

A complaint was received from Sri. Abhinash J, BA Economics student of Bishop Jesudasan CSI Arts and Science College, Mulayara against the dismissal order issued by the College in connection with an incident which occurred at the College. The petitioner has stated that he was confronted by a brutal attack during the incident and has contended that the decision to dismiss him alone was arbitrary and could not be accepted. The petitioner has claimed to be belonging to a poor family has also expressed the concern that the decision will bring a fag end to his future, so he has requested that his mistakes may be excused and be permitted to continue his studies in that College.

At the same time, the Principal has forwarded the report intimating the fact of expulsion of Sri.Abhinash J with transfer certificate as per the provision of the Clause 1.8 of the Chapter III of the Kerala University First Ordinances 1978. In the report, it is stated that the petitioner was dismissed based on the incident occurred at the college on 16.08.2023.

As per the Clause 1.8 of the Chapter III of the Kerala University First Ordinances 1978, If any student is expelled from any College maintained by or affiliated to the University, intimation of the fact of expulsion with a statement of the reasons therefor shall be given forthwith by the Principal to the parent or guardian of the student, and to the Syndicate. Intimation to the Syndicate shall be accompained by the transfer certificate of the student. The Syndicate on the application of the student or his parent or guardian may, after making such enquiry as it deems proper, deliver the certificate to the student or his parent or guardian with necessary endorsement or withhold it temporarily or permanently. In this case, the expulsion was done in compliance with the above provision as stipulated in the Kerala University First Ordinances 1978.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, submission from Sri. Abhinash J and report of the Principal, Bishop Jesudasan CSI Arts and Science College is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to hear the Principal Bishop Jesudasan CSI Arts and Science College, Mulayara and Sri. Abhinash J by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate as per Clause 1.8 of Chapter III of the Kerala University First Ordinances 1978.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the

Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.71.17 Report of expulsion of Sri.Luck Manuel Hakkim A, White Memorial College of Arts and Science – reg.

[Ac.BI]

The Principal, White Memorial College of Arts and Science, Panachamoodu has reported that second BSW candidate named Sri.Luck Manuel Hakkim A (reg no: 31521164013) has assaulted a female candidate named Ajanyamol A L on her face inside the class room. At the first instance the college has placed him under suspension then expelled on the basis of the decision of the staff council thereafter intimated the fact accompanied by the Transfer Certificate of the student.

As per the Clause 1.8 of the Chapter III of the Kerala University First Ordinances 1978, If any student is expelled from any College maintained by or affiliated to the University, intimation of the fact of expulsion with a statement of the reasons therefore shall be given forthwith by the Principal to the parent or guardian of the student, and to the Syndicate. Intimation to the Syndicate shall be accompanied by the transfer certificate of the student. The Syndicate on the application of the student or his parent or guardian may, after making such enquiry as it deems proper, deliver the certificate to the student or his parent or guardian with necessary endorsement or withhold it temporarily or permanently. In this case, the expulsion has been done in accordance to the above procedure stipulated in the Kerala University First Ordinances 1978.

Sri.Luck Manuel Hakkim A, who was the respondent in the Principal's report has informed that currently there is no dispute between them, hence he has requested to cancel the dismissal order and permit him to continue the studies in that college.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, report submitted by the Principal, White Memorial College of Arts and Science and submission of Sri.Luck Manuel Hakkim A is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to hear the Principal White Memorial College of Arts and Science, Panachamoodu and Sri.Luck Manuel Hakkim A by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate as per the Clause 1.8 of the Chapter III of the Kerala University First Ordinances 1978,.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.71.18 College transfer \_ Request from parents of Sri.Neeraj B R \_ student of I BA Economics at VTMNSSCollege, Dhanuvachapuram-reg:

[Admn.D.II]

UGC Anti-Ragging helpline registered <u>Complaint No. KL 0050</u> on ragging incident at VTM NSS College, Dhanuvachapuram. The victim B R Neeraj, First year BA Economics student at the college was assaulted by senior students.

Report was sought from the Principal,VTM NSS College, Dhanuvachapuram in this regard. The Principal vide letter No.P/52/2023 dated 02.11.2023 forwarded the preliminary report of the Antigaging committee in connection with ragging complaint No.KL\_0050 . It was reported that the 4 students mentioned in the complaint by the victim were suspended from the college from 30.10.2023, pending detailed inquiry and also reported that the complaint and primary report report were forwarded to the SHO, Police Station, Parassala.A report in this regard has been forwarded to the UGC Anti-Ragging helpline vide letter No.64461/Admn DII/2023/UOK dated 08.11.2023.The Complaint was also forwarded to Dr. Shaji.A, Nodal Officer, UGC Students Grievance cell for taking necessary action.

Now parents of Sri. Neeraj B R have submitted a request dated 04.11.2023 requesting college transfer from VTM NSS College, Dhanuvachapuram to University College, Palayam or Christian College, Kattakkada, as it is very difficult to continue studies there in the present scenario.

Academic section has remarked that "As per the norms for ICT of candidates under going CBCSS Programmes, transfer shall normally be permitted to Third and Fifth Semesters only, based

on the notification for the same issued from the University, on report of vacancy, recommended and forwarded by the Principals concerned. It may be noted that inter College transfer to other semesters were also sanctioned to certain candidates by the University in matters involving medical emergency, ragging issues, assault incidents based on the decisions of the apex bodies of the University, directing them to apply for college change by means of inter college transfer."

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to permit college transfer of Sri.Neeraj B.R., from VTM NSS College, Dhanuvachapuram to University College, Palayam, as a special case.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be noted.

# Item No.06.71.19 First Degree Programme in Music under CBCS system- request from a candidate for changing Complementary Course (Veena) – reg.

 $[Ac \ A \ V]$ 

Ms. Nisiya L.S, a candidate of 2021 admission, First Degree Programme in Music under CBCS system at Govt. Womens College, Vazhuthacaud, is suffering from Intellectual Disability, hence it is requested to grant her permission to opt any other Complementary Course other than Veena, as playing the instrument causes headache and related issues.

An online meeting was conducted on Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 11.00 am as requested by the Chairperson, BoS in Music (UG) with the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts, the Principal and the Head, Department of Music, Govt. College for Women, to discuss the matter regarding the request of Ms.Nisiya L S, for changing the Complementary course in Veena.

The Chairperson, BoS in Music (UG), recommended the following in this regard: Ms.Nisiya L.S, a student of BA Music, may be permitted to appear for the Veena exam as a very special case.

A special question paper in Veena has to be prepared as per the syllabus, exclusively for facilitating Ms.Nisiya L.S to answer the questions and to conduct the examination for this particular paper as a Viva-voce examination. This arrangement is made only for this candidate as a rare case and this cannot be a precedence for any future examinations in Music.

The same has been endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request of Ms. Nisiya L S for changing the Complementary course in Veena as she is having intellectual disability, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to accept the remarks of Dean, Faculty of Artsto conduct the examination for the Complementary Course- 'Veena' as a Viva-voce examination for Ms.Nisiya L.S. considering as a rare case.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be noted.

Item No.06.71.20 Re-admission granted to Smt. Swetha Harimohanan to IV semester of Career-related First Degree Programme in BPA Music under CBCS system - Request to carry over the results of I to III semester examinations

appeared under old scheme, with the results of IV to VI semesters, to be appeared under new scheme - consideration- reg.

[Ac A V]

Smt. Swetha Harimohanan of Career-related First Degree Programme in BPA Music under CBCS System at SST Govt.College, Thycaud (2015 admission) discontinued her studies and obtained re-admission to the **Fourth Semester** during the academic year 2022-2023, as per UO No.1772/2023/UOK dated 20.02.2023, on the condition that she **shall appear for all the theory and practicals of the First Degree Programme, as per the new Syllabi and grades scored for the course in the old syllabi stands cancelled as specified in the said UO.** 

The candidate has now requested for carrying over the result of I to III semester examinations appeared under 2015 Scheme, with the results of IV to VI Semesters, to be appeared under 2021 Scheme. (The Scheme and Syllabi of Career-related First Degree Programme in BPA Music had been revised w.e.f 2021 admissions)

The Chairperson, BoS in Music (UG) remarked that "As there are only slight changes in both the syllabus of 2015 & 2021 scheme, recommended that this candidate may attend the examinations with all the supplementary papers. The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts endorsed the recommendations of the Chairperson, BoS in Music (UG).

The Academic Council at its meeting held on 16.09.2022, considered similar requestSsof following candidates and resolved to consider the requests of readmitted candidates of CBCSS First Degree Programme to carry over the marks secured in the pre-revised syllabus to the results of the semesters appeared under the new scheme.

Name	College	Course	Semester in which re-admission granted	Schemes
Gowri A S	S.N College, Chempazhanthy	Commerce	S5	2015 & 2018
Arya R	S N College, Chathannur	Commerce	S5	2015 & 2018
Megha M V	S N College, Chathannur	Commerce	S5	2015 & 2018

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request of Smt. Swetha Harimohanan to carry over the results of I to III semesters appeared under 2015 scheme (before re-admission) with the results of IV to VI semesters to be appeared under 2021 scheme, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee recommended to seek the report of the Controller of Examinations in this matter and to place the same before the Syndicate.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be noted.

# Item No.06.71.21 The report of the inspection conducted at Guru Nithya Chaithanya Yathi College of Law and Research Centre, Kareelakulangara, Kayamkulam - consideration -reg.

[Ac BI]

The students of Guru Nithya Chaithanya Yathi College of Law and Research Centre, Kareelakulangara, Kayamkulam had submitted various complaints in which they have pointed out the following allegations against the College:

- There are no regular classes being conducted instead the students are going for tuition classes.
- The College authority is manipulating the attendance by taking bribes from the students.
- The Teachers of the Institution are not qualified in Law. The teaching faculties are frequently being changed.
- The Students are going to attend their first Semester examination without the portions being covered, some of the subjects are not even taught.

- The students have paid the first semester fee with out any dues, but the College authority is forcing them to pay the second semester fee which has not yet started. Also threatened them saying that their hall ticket will not be issued.
- There is no principal, and the College is running without a head.
- Library facilities are very poor with no qualified librarian and not enough books to refer.
- Internal marks are not awarded by the concerned lecturers but by the Managing Director with some students they personally prefer.
- Noticed irregularity in conducting University Examinations by allowing some students to insert main sheets after the exam hours. Also seperate seating arrangements are given to some students.
- No PTA meetings have been held. Also there is no Parents Teachers Association.
- Also the stipend amount of the students are getting misused and are not paid in time.
- Also there are flaws like lack of drinking water, lack of canteen, no parking areas, no hostel facilities, no safety measures, infrastructures are not good enough.
- When approached the manager for the basic amenities, he behaved in a rude manner and threatened them by saying that they won't be given internal marks.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the Registrar has nominated the Head , Department of Law, Kariavattom and Deputy Registrar (Academic I) for conducting a surprise inspection at Guru Nithya Chaithanya Yathi College of Law and Research Centre, Kareelakulangara, Kayamkulam on the backdrop of complaints received from the students of the College.

Accordingly, a surprise inspection was conducted at the College on 03.10.2023 with due diligence to address the allegations raised by the students against the College. The Report submitted by the inspection team is appended for perusal. Further it may be noted here that, on 26/09/2023, the State Human Rights Commission issued direction to the University to submit a detailed report on the complaints with regard to the case no. 5209/23/ALP +5124/23 +5195/23 +5020/23 before fifteenth day of the receipt of the direction from the commission. In this regard an interim reply has been given to the Human Rights Commission.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the report of the inspection is submitted before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration.

The Committee recommended that the matter be referred to the Syndicate

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges along with the report submitted by the inspection team nominated by the University.

Item No.06.71.22

University of Calicut- 'International Festival of Theatre Schools' (IFTA) Request for support in organising and assistance in funding of the Programme.-reg.

[Ac D]

Ref: Letter dated 27.09.2023 from the Director, School of Drama & Fine Arts, University of Calicut.

Prof. Abhilash Pillai, The Director, School of Drama & Fine Arts, University of Calicut has submitted a proposal for support in organising and seeking assistance in securing the funding for the "International Festival of Theatre Schools 2024" conducted by School of Drama & Fine Arts, University of Calicut.

The Second "International Festival of Theatre Schools (IFTA)" is scheduled to be hosted by the School of Drama and Fine Arts, University of Calicut from 14 to 19 January 2024 with the theme, "Carnival of Pedagogy for Theatre and Ecology".

It aims to create a platform for faculty, students, independent practitioners, and scholars from India and abroad to share their pedagogical perspective on theatre and ecology. The festival shall feature a range of programs, including a parliament of ideas, student productions, pedagogy presentations, and a winter theatre camp. The festival promotes intercultural awareness and cooperation between humans and nature, particularly encouraging art-based efforts to harmonize the strained relationship between humanity and the natural world, addressing the challenges of existence and coexistence.

It has been informed that, the six-day festival will serve as both a meeting and a learning space for practitioners and learners and invitations have been extended to several distinguished subject experts to attend the event. Among the notable attendees are:

- 1) Niamh Dowling, the principal of the Royal Academy of Dramatic Arts in London.
- 2) Jane Collins, a senior professor from Wimbledon in the UK.
- 3) Sara Matchet, the director of the Centre of Theatre, Dance & Performance Studies at the University of Cape Town in South Africa.
- 4) Rodolfo Garcia Vazquez, the director of SP Escola de Teatro, the largest drama school in Latin America.
- 5) Richard Emmert, a senior pedagogue of Noh Theatre in Japan.
- 6) Nicole Wolf, a researcher and Senior Lecturer in Visual Cultures at Goldsmiths, University of London, who resides in both Berlin and London.
- 7) Mojisola Adebayo, a Black-British playwright, performer, producer, and facilitator of Yoruba and Danish descent. She is also a Lecturer at Queen Mary University of London and a research fellow at Potsdam University.
- 8) Marta Miloszewska, the dean of the Directing Department at Akademia Teatralna in Poland. The expenditure for the event is of an amount of Rs.61,87,000/- (Sixty One Lakhs and Eighty-Seven Thousand Rupees).

The Director, has requested for a comprehensive support from the part of the University of Kerala in the organising level and for assistance in securing the funding for its realisation of the IFTS-2024.

In furtherance, a communication has been sent to the Director, School of Drama & Fine Arts, University of Calicut for submitting a report for defining and specifying the role of University of Kerala in organising and funding of the event, "International Festival of Theatre Schools-2024", through proper channel, vide letter Ac.D/4/238/2023 dated 19.10.2023, but no communication has been received.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request submitted by the Director, School of Drama & Fine Arts, University of Calicut for a comprehensive support from the part of the University of Kerala in the organising level and for assistance in securing the funding for its realisation of the IFTS-2024, scheduled to be held on 14 to 19 January 2024 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended not to consider the request submitted by the Director, School of Drama & Fine Arts, University of Calicut for a comprehensive support from the part of the University of Kerala in the organising level and for assistance in securing the funding for its realisation of the IFTS-2024.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to approve the request submitted by the Director, School of Drama & Fine Arts, University of Calicut for a comprehensive support from the part of the University of Kerala in the organising level and for assistance in securing the funding for its realisation of the IFTS-2024 in principle.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to entrust Adv. G. Muraleedharan, Dr. J.S. Shijukhan, Members Syndicate to have a discussion with the Director, School of Drama & Fine Arts, University of Calicut regarding the conduct of the Programme.

Item No.06.71.23

UGC-Human Resource Development Centre - Permission to meet the expenditure towards the purchase of air conditioners for Lecture Hall 2 & 3 of the UGC HRDC from the Department Development Fund (DDF) account maintained by UGC HRDC -Regarding.

(Ad Misc)

The Director, UGC-HRDC vide note <u>no. UGC-HRDC/429/2023 dated 31.07.2023</u> has informed that as part of conduct of C-APT programmes at UGC-HRDC sponsored by University of Kerala, they are planning to convert the Lecture hall No.3 of UGC HRDC as Air conditioned

classroom, Hence the Director has requested to grant permission to meet the expenditure from the DDF account maintained by UGC-HRDC.

The Director vide <u>letter no.UGC-HRDC/494/2023</u> dated 18.10.2023 has also forwarded the anticipated expenditure & Estimate report submitted by the University Engineer in which it was pointed out that the estimate cost of replacement of 2 air conditioners in Lecture hall no 2 and purchase of 4 new air conditioners in Lecture hall no 3 shall be 3,92,000/- (Rupees Three lakh ninety two thousand only).

The Ad BIV CP(A) section has remarked about the current status of purchase ie, "For the purchase of Air-Conditioners, the file has been put up and forwarded for the orders of Registrar for according administrative sanction for initiating procedure for the purchase of two numbers of 1.5 TR Capacity Air Conditioners and four number of 2.0 TR Capacity Air Conditioners for use in the Lecture Hall No. 2 & 3 of UGC-HRDC, for an estimate Rs. 3,92,000/-. After according sanction by the Registrar, the Director, UGC-HRDC will be permitted to invite quotations for Air-Conditioners based on the specification forwarded by the University Engineer."

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding granting permission to the Director, UGC HRDC, to meet the expenditure towards the purchase of air conditioners for Lecture Hall no 2 & 3 of the UGC HRDC from the Department Development Fund (DDF) account maintained by UGC HRDC is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to meet the expenditure towards the purchase of air conditioners for Lecture Hall 2 & 3 of the UGC HRDC from the Department Development Fund (DDF) account maintained by UGC HRDC.

The Committee further recommended that all purchases shall be made in accordance with the provisions contained in the Store Purchase Manual and Kerala Financial Code

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to place the matter before the Technical Committee constituted by the Syndicate vide Item No. 06.53.09

Item No06.71.24:

UGC-Human Resource Development Centre - Permission to meet the expenditure towards the purchase and installation charges of the Interactive Display System and PTZ cameras from the Department Development Fund (DDF) account maintained by UGC HRDC -Regarding.

The Director, UGC-HRDC vide note <u>no. UGC-HRDC/429/2023 dated 31.07.2023</u> has informed that as part of upgradation of classrooms into smart classrooms, the Interactive Display System and PTZ cameras have to be installed at all the three classrooms. Hence the Director has requested to grant permission to meet the expenditure from the DDF account maintained by UGC-HRDC.

The Director vide <u>letter no.UGC-HRDC/494/2023 dated 18.10.2023</u> has forwarded the anticipated expenditure submitted by the Instrumentation Engineer, CLIF, Kariavattom. As per the report from the Instrumentation Engineer, CLIF, an amount of Rs.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen lakh only) is required for meeting the expenditure towards the supply and installation of 86" interactive panels and video conferencing cameras for three class rooms in UGC-HRDC.

The Ad BIV CP(A) section has remarked about the current status of purchase ie, "The Tenders were invited for the Purchase of the same through E-Tender Portal and after the Technical Verification by the Instrumentation Engineer, the file concerned was forwarded for orders of the Registrar for opening the Financial Bid."

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding granting permission to the Director, UGC HRDC, to meet the expenditure towards the purchase and installation charges of the Interactive Display System and PTZ cameras for the upgradation of three classrooms of UGC HRDC into smart classrooms from the Department Development Fund (DDF) account maintained by UGC HRDC is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to upgrade one classroom into Smart Class Room by installing Interactive Display System and PTZ cameras, meeting the expenditure from the Department Development Fund (DDF) account maintained by UGC-HRDC.

The Committee further recommended that all purchases shall be made in accordance with the provisions contained in the Store Purchase Manual and Kerala Financial Code.

## Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to place the matter before the Technical Committee constituted by the Syndicate vide Item No. 06.53.09.

Item No.06.71 Additional .01

University Hostels - Warden on contract - Enhancement of remuneration – administrative sanction - reg:

(Ad DII)

As per UO No.Ad.AV.12762(1.A)/2023/UOK dated 15.09.2023, the remuneration of Warden on contract has been enhanced from Rs.22,000/- to Rs.25,000/- w.e.f. 01.11.2021.

Smt. Omana V N and Smt. Shylaja K are engaged as Warden on contract at Women's Hostel Kariavattom and Thycaud respectively.

The Finance vide Endt.FOS.2454/Finance I/2023-24 dated 30.09.2023 has endorsed the following.

"The proposal for enhancing the monthly remuneration of Warden on contract basis in the University Hostels for Women, Kariavattom and Thycaud w.e.f 01.11.2021 consequent to revision of wages vide <u>U.O No. Ad AV.12762(1.A)/2023/UOK dated 15.09.2023</u>, may be agreed to; subject to administrative sanction and execution of supplementary bond."

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to approve the Finance Endorsement vide FOS.2454/Finance I/2023-24 dtd 30.09.2023 on "the proposal for enhancing the monthly remuneration of Warden on contract basis in the University Hostels for Women, Kariavattom and Thycaud with effect from 01.11.2021 consequent to revision of wages vide U O No AdAV/12762(1 A)/2023/UOK dtd15.09.2023, may be agreed to: subject to administrative sanction and execution of supplementary bond".

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

# Item No.06.71 Additional .02 Approval of template for CAS promotion of Library Staff under UGC Regulations 2018.

(AD A V)

The Syndicate at its meeting on 12.10.2023, vide Item No: 05.52 Additional Item No.3 considered the recommendation of Standing Committee of the Syndicate and approved to reconstitute the committee for the preparation of template as per UGC Regulations 2018 for CAS promotions of Teachers and Library staff with the following members:

Dr K G Gopchandran, Member, Syndicate

Dr Meena T Pillai, Dean, Faculty of Arts

Dr A Bijukumar, Dean, Faculty of Science

A Committee has been constituted with above members vide UO.no.Ad AV/9074/2023/UOK dated: 02.11.2023.

The Committee has finalized the Eligibility and CAS Promotion Criteria, score sheet, PBAS proforma and templates for Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) for Assistant Librarian/DeputyLibrarian/College Librarian Staff as per UGC Regulations 2018

The Vice-Chancellor has ordered to place the Eligibility and CAS Promotion Criteria score sheet, PBAS proforma and templates prepared by the Committee before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Hence the Eligibility and CAS Promotion Criteria, score sheet, PBAS proforma and templates for Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) for Assistant Librarian/ Deputy Librarian/ College Librarian

as per UGC Regulations 2018 prepared by the Committee is enclosed and placed below the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for approval.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to approve the template submitted by the committee constituted for the preparation of template as per UGC regulation 2018 for CAS promotion of Library Staff and that the template may be placed before the Next academic council meeting for approval.

The Committee further recommended that the above recommendation may be approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor by invoking Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974 considering the exigency for the item.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be noted.

Item No.06.71 Additional .03 കെ യു സി ടി ഇ കളിലെ കരാർ⁄ ദിവസ വേതന ജീവനക്കാരായ പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽമാരുടെയും അധ്യാപകരുടെയും ശമ്പള വർദ്ധനവിലെ അപാകതകൾ പഠിക്കാൻ ചേർന്ന സബ് കമ്മിറ്റി മീറ്റിംഗിന്റെ മിന്റ് സ്-സംബന്ധിച്ച്.

(AdAV)

കെ യു സി ടി ഇ കളിലെ കരാർ/ ദിവസ വേതന ജീവനക്കാരായ പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽമാരുടെയും അധ്യാപകരുടെയും ശമ്പള വർദ്ധനവിലെ അപാകതകൾ പഠിക്കാൻ ചേർന്ന സബ് കമ്മിറ്റി മീറ്റിങ് 07.11.2023 ൽ ചേർന്നിരുന്നു.

ബഇ വൈസ് ചാൻസലറിന്റെ ഉത്തരവിൻപ്രകാരം സബ് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾ സ്റ്റാന്റിംഗ് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ പരിഗണനയ്ക്കായി സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു. (സബ് കമ്മിറ്റി മിനുറ്റ് ഇതോടൊപ്പം ഉള്ളടക്കം ചേർക്കുന്നു.)

കെ യു സി ടി ഇ കളിലെ കരാർ / ദിവസ വേതന ജീവനക്കാരായ പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽമാരുടെയും അധ്യാപകരുടെയും ശമ്പള വർദ്ധനവിലെ അപാകതകൾ പഠിക്കാൻ ചേർന്ന സബ് കമ്മിറ്റി മീറ്റിംഗിന്റെ മിന്രറ്റ് സ്

തീയ്യതി: 07.11.2023, ചൊവ്വ

സമയം : 11:00 am

സ്ഥലം : സിന്റിക്കേറ്റ് റൂം, സെനറ്റ് ഹൗസ് ക്യാമ്പസ്, പാളയം

#### അംഗങ്ങൾ:

1. അഡ്വ. മുരളീധരൻ പിള്ള ജി, കൺവീനർ,

സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റ് സ്റ്റാന്റിംഗ് കമ്മിറ്റി അംഗം : ഒപ്പ് /-2. ആർ. രാജേഷ് , സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റ് അംഗം : ഒപ്പ് /-3. ഡോ. എസ് ജയൻ, സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റ് അംഗം : ഒപ്പ് /-

മീറ്റിംഗ് പകൽ 11 മണിക്ക് ആരംഭിച്ച.

പ്രസ്തൃത മീറ്റിങ്ങിൽ കെ യു സി ടി ഇ കളിലെ പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽമാരുടെയും അധ്യാപകരുടെയും

ശമ്പളവർധനവിലെ അപാകതകൾ ചർച്ച ചെയ്യുകയും താഴെ പറയുന്ന ശുപാർശകൾ മുന്നോട്ട് വയ്ക്കുകയും ചെയ്ത (I) കെ യു സി ടി ഇ കളിൽ വേതനം നൽകുന്നതിന് മൂന്നു തരത്തിലുള്ള ശമ്പള സ്കെയിൽ നിശ്ചയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്.

( G.O (Ms) No.962/2014/H.Edn dated 23.12.2014, U.O No. Ac G/1/2015 dated 07.04.2015 & U.O. No. Ad.AV.6164/2016 dated 08.09.2016)

1) Rs.24040 - 38840 : പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽമാർ

- 2) Rs.19240 34500 : അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് പ്രൊഫസർ (NET/PhD യോഗ്യത ഉള്ളവർ)
- $3) \ Rs. 18740 33680 : അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് പ്രൊഫസർ (NET/PhD യോഗ്യത ഇല്ലാത്തവർ) വേതന വർധനവിലും ഇതേ ശമ്പളസ്കെയിൽ ഇടരാവുന്നതാണ്.$

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നിലവിലെ വേതനം	സബ്-കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ	07.11.2023- <b>ഇൽ ചേർന്ന</b>	റിമാർക്സ്
(16.05.2023 <b>ഇൽ</b> )	ശുപാർശ പ്രകാരം	— സബ്-കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ	

	20.05.2023 ലെ സിന്റിക്കേറ്റ് അംഗീകരിച്ച വർധിപ്പിച്ച വേതനം	<u>ശ</u> ്മപാർശ പ്രകാരം വർധിപ്പിച്ച വേതനം	
A) പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽമാർ (1) Rs. 29,180 /- (2) Rs. 29,860 /- (3) Rs. 32,110 /- (4) Rs. 32,860 /-	Rs. 32,210/- Rs. 32,860/- Rs. 34,500/- Rs. 35,320/-	Rs. 32,110/- Rs. 32,860/- Rs. 35,320/- Rs. 36,140/-	Rs 32,210/- നിലവിലെ ശമ്പള സ്കെയിലിൽ ഇല്ലാത്തതാണ്. (നാല് ഇൻക്രിമെന്റ് ഉൾപ്പെട്ടത്, സീനിയർ- ജൂനിയർ അനോമലി പരിഹരിച്ചു)
B) അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് പ്രൊഫസർ (NET/PhD യോഗ്യത ഉള്ളവർ) (1) Rs. 24,040/- (2) Rs. 24,660/- (3) Rs. 25,900/- (4) Rs. 26,520/- (5) Rs. 27,140/-	Rs. 26,520/- Rs. 27,140/- Rs. 28,500/- Rs. 29,180/- Rs. 29,860/-	Rs. 26,520/- Rs. 27,140/- Rs. 28,500/- Rs. 29,180/- Rs. 29,860/-	മാറ്റമില്ല
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- (III) വേതന വർദ്ധനവ് പ്രാബല്യത്തിൽ വരുന്ന തീയതികളിൽ താഴെ പറയുന്നവ അംഗീകരിക്കുന്നു.
  - നിലവിലെ വേതനം 16.05.2023തീയതിയിലെ വർധിപ്പിക്കുന്ന വേതനം - 16.05.2023തീയതി മുതൽ
- (IV) വേതന വര്ധനവുമായി ബന്ധപെട്ടു 16.05.2023ന് നടന്ന സബ് കമ്മിറ്റി അന്ന് നിലവിൽ ഉണ്ടായിരുന്ന വേതന ഇകകൾ ആണ് വര്ധനവിനായി പരിഗണിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നത്. എന്നാൽ കെ യു സി ടി ഇ കളിലെ ശമ്പളസ്കെയിലിൽ വേതനം കൈപ്പറ്റുന്ന ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് വാർഷിക ഇൻക്രിമെന്റിനു അർഹതയുണ്ട്. ആയതിനാൽ 16.05.2023ന്, സിന്റിക്കേറ്റ് തീരുമാന പ്രകാരമുള്ള വേതന വർദ്ധനവ് നടപ്പിൽ വരുത്തി, ജീവനക്കാരുടെ ഓരോരുത്തരുടെയും വാർഷിക ഇൻക്രിമെന്റിനു അർഹമായ തീയതികൾക്കനുസരിച്ചു വാർഷിക ഇൻക്രിമെന്റ നൽകാവുന്നതാണ്.
- (V) ശമ്പളവർധനവിന്റെ ആനുകൂല്യം പണമായി നൽകുന്നത്, വേതന വർദ്ധനവ് നടപ്പിലാക്കി പുറപ്പെട്ടുവിക്കുന്ന സർവ്വകലാശാല ഉത്തരവിന്റെ തീയതിമുതൽക്ക് എന്നത് അംഗീകരിച്ച.
- (VI) കെ യു സി ടി ഇ കളിൽ പുതിയതായി നിയമിക്കപ്പെടുന്ന പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽമാർക്കു കുറഞ്ഞ വേതനമായി  ${
  m Rs}$ 28,500/-Rs.23,480/-ത്രപയും അസിസ്റ്റന്റ് പ്രൊഫസർമാർക്ക് കുറഞ്ഞ വേതനമായി ത്രപയം ഉറപ്പവരുത്തേണ്ടതുണ്ട്. (U.O.No. Ac.G/1/Teachers/2016 dated 15.10.2016 U.O.No. Ac.G/1/Prpls/2016 dated 17.10.2016). വേതനവര്ധനവ് നടപ്പിലാക്കുമ്പോൾ പ്രസ്തത ഉകകളിൽ മാറ്റം വരുത്താതെ നിലവിലെ സ്ഥിതി തുടരാവുന്നതാണ്.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Sub Committee constituted for the studying the irregularities in the salary

enhancement of principals and teachers on contract/daily wage in the Kerala University Centre for Teacher's Education.

The meeting came to an end at 12 noon.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 17.11.2023, be approved.

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Item No:06.72

Department of Optoelectronics, Kariavattom - Request for including experts in the existing panel of visiting faculties - Consideration of-reg

(Ad.FII)

The Head, Department of Optoelectronics had informed that the Department has started two M.Sc courses (Msc.Electronics with Specialisation in Optoelctronics and Msc Electronics with specialisation in Artificial intelligence) in the academic year 2022-23. It is also informed that, the following subject experts are necessary for teaching Artificial Intelligence and the Internet of things, for the ongoing S3 MSc elective subjects The Department Council meeting held on 09/10/2023 has recommended to request the University to include them in the existing panel of Visiting faculties already approved by the University.

Sl. No.	Name of Experts	Designation		
1.	Mr.Santhosh V	Chief executive Officer, Maklab Innovations, Makervillage, IIITM-K Building, Technopark Campus, Trivandrum		
2.	Mr.Rahul V	Assistant Professor (on contract), Department of Future Studies, University of Kerala		

It may be noted that, a list of five Subject experts, namely Dr. P. Prabhakar Rao, Dr. Jijimon K Thomas, Dr. Raji S. Nair, Ms. Anju S Mohan & Ms. Ann Nita Netto, for being included in the already existing panel of visiting faculties, is also unders the consideration of the Syndicate.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the proposal for including Mr. Santhosh V. & Mr.Rahul V. in the existing panel of Visiting faculties in the Department of Optoelectronics, is placed before the Syndicate, for consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to approve the proposal for including Mr. Santhosh V. & Mr. Rahul V. in the existing panel of Visiting faculties in the Department of Optoelectronics

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Item No:06.73

Department of Commerce, University of Kerala – MoU with Institute of Chartered Accountants India (ICAI)- Consideration of-reg.

(Ac.D)

Prof (Dr.) Gabriel Simon Thattil, Head, Department of Commerce has forwarded an MoU proposal with Institute of Chartered Accountants India (ICAI), New Delhi. The MoU would be for Joint Faculty Development Programmes and Skilling programmes for students in the domain of Finance, Accounting, and Taxation.

#### Details of MoU is as follows:-

#### **Objectives:**

- 1. The general objective of this MoU is for extending Academic co-operation in B.Com, BCom (Hons.), M.Com and Certificate and Diploma Commerce Courses and to stimulate and facilitate the development of collaborative and mutually beneficial programmes, which will serve to enhance the intellectual life and cultural development in both organizations.
- 2. ICAI agrees to extend its support in framing the Syllabus for the said Courses in the University/ Institution and to impart subject related training to its Faculty.
- 3. University/ Institution will accord its necessary recognition to Chartered Accountants Qualification as equivalent to Post Graduate Degree for the purpose of admission to Ph.D. in Management/ Commerce and allied Programmes at University/ Institution.
- 4. University/ Institution on its part may nominate ICAI Members for Academic Council or other bodies of the University/ Schools as it deems appropriate.

#### **Terms and Conditions**

#### **Scope of Collaboration**

- 1. To encourage cooperation and interaction between respective staff, including inter institutional visits, faculty exchange, staff development, academic publications, research and educational collaboration.
- 2. To encourage research and Faculty Development Programmes (FDP) in the areas of common interest.
- 3. To develop innovative academic/ research programmes on areas of mutual interest.
- 4. To jointly organize workshops, conferences, seminars and similar Academic Programmes with the aim of capacity building.

#### **Binding of MoU**

- 1. This MoU is not intended to create binding or legal obligations on either of the Parties.
- 2. Cost and expenses involved in the implementation of this MoU will be borne by each of the Parties on individual basis.
- 3. Nothing in this MoU shall be constructed to make either of the parties a partner, an agent or legal representative of the other for any purpose.

#### **Dispute Resolution**

Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation and/ or application of any of the provisions of this MoU shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiation between the Parties, without recourse to any third party or Court.

#### Term, Termination and Renewal

- 1. This MoU shall come into force on the date of its signing by the authorized representatives of the Parties hereto, and shall remain in force for a period of 3 years and, thereafter, it may be further extended with written mutual consent of the Parties.
- 2. Either of the Parties may terminate this MoU by giving 3 months' prior notice in writing to the other Party explicitly mentioning the reason(s) thereof, including breach of any of the clauses specified in the MoU.

#### **Amendment**

- 1. Either of the Parties may request in writing a revision, modification or amendment of all or any part of this MoU, and any revision, modification or /amendment agreed to by the Parties shall be reduced in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both the Parties. Such amendment/s shall form part of this MoU.
- 2. Both the Parties will review the activities semi-annually at the place/ location agreed mutually.

#### **ANNEXURE – I - Guidelines for the Faculty Development Programmes (FDP)**

- 1. The FDP shall be organized for the faculty of University/ Institution. However, topic(s) should be related to Chartered Accountancy Education and Profession.
- 2. University/ Institution shall raise their expression of interest to the Director, Board of Studies, to conduct FDP at least 45 days prior to the date of FDP.
- 3. ICAI, being a knowledge partner in FDP, shall nominate maximum two experts per subject for first FDP conducted for particular University/ Institution. The duration of the FDP may range between 1 day to 2 days.
- 4. University/ Institution shall ensure that the background material be provided to them by the shortlisted speakers of FDP.
- 5. The venue shall be decided by ICAI/ University/ Institution as per mutual convenience. ICAI shall bear all actual expenses such as travelling, honorarium of resource person(s)/ experts. Institute/ University shall bear all actual expenses such as logistic arrangements and printing of background materials, souvenirs, etc.
- 6. Minimum 15 participants shall be present in the Faculty Development Programme.
- 7. Final details of the Faculty Development Programme should be ready at least 10 days before the commencement of the programme and be approved by ICAI through its Chairman/Director, Board of Studies.
- 8. Faculty Development Programme should consist of two to three technical sessions each day on the topics related to any of the core subjects

Accounting, Auditing, Direct Tax, Indirect Tax, Law, Finance, Management Accounting, Cost Management etc.

It may be noted that, a note has been forwarded to Finance Officer's section for offering remarks on the Clause 5 of the Annexure- I (Guidelines for the FacultyDevelopment Programmes) that each party shall bear its own cost and expenses individually incurred in connection with this MoU without limitation.

The Legal Adviser has vetted the draft MoU and remarked that the same is legally in order.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the proposal for signing an MoU between Department of Commerce, University of Kerala and Institute of Chartered Accountants India (ICAI), New Delhi for Joint Faculty Development Programmes and Skilling programmes for students in the domain of Finance, Accounting and Taxation is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to approve the proposal for signing an MoU (Legaly vetted) between Department of Commerce, University of Kerala and Institute of Chartered Accountants India (ICAI), New Delhi for Joint Faculty Development Programmes and Skilling Programmes for students in the domain of Finance, Accounting and Taxation with following modifications:

#### **Objectives**

Clause (3)- This clause will however, be considered on a case-by-case request subject to the approval of the Academic Council and University regulations in this regard.

Clause (4)- University/ Institution on its part may nominate ICAI Members for Board of Studies of the University/ Schools as it deems appropriate.

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# Item No.06.74

# Issuance of Degree Certificate on Fast Track Mode – Request received from International Students-2021-23–Consideration of-reg.

(CGA)

Mr.Symon Fidelis Nayupe, (Department of Biochemistry), Ms.Penina Nduta Kingori, Ms.Cherona Betty and Ms.Sukai Cham (IMK), who were International Students of University of Kerala (2021-23 batch), vide letter dated 22-11-2023 have submitted a request to the Vice-Chancellor to expedite the issuance of their degree certificates on or before 29<sup>th</sup>, as they cannot leave India without the certificate attestation by NORKA, which is mandatory in their country. The Students reported that their financial scholarship by ICCR would came to end in November and the Visas are expiring soon.

In this regard, it may be noted that, as per Section 19(2 a) of the Kerala University Act 1974, The Senate is vested with the powers to determine what degrees, diplomas and other academic distinctions shall be granted by the University . Further, as per Statute 1 (i) Chapter 5 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, the Senate shall have the power to confer degrees and other academic distinctions on persons. Considering the above provisions, the award of Degrees, Diplomas, Titles and Certificates can be considered only after they have been conferred by the Senate

It may also be noted that, based on the decision of the Syndicate held on 14.08.2023, to establish an expedited system for issuing Ph.D/PG/UG certificates to International Students by ensuring that the certificates are granted within a span of two weeks from the date of result declaration, a meeting is to be convened with Registrar, Controller of Examinations, Vice-Chairman, CSS, Research Director and Director CGA.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor on the request from the International students, the matter of issuance of degree certificates to the International students of 2021-23 batch on or before 29<sup>th</sup> November is placed before the Syndicate for Consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to seek legal opinion of the Standing Counsel on the matter of expediting the system for issuing Ph.D/PG/UG certificates to International Students within a span of two weeks from the date of result declaration, and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

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(Ad.A1)

In the matter related to the allegations levelled against Sri.D S Santhosh Kumar, Deputy Registrar, CSS, with regard to the processing of Maternity Leave Application of Smt.Archana C V, Assistant (Sr.Gr), which led to withholding of the promotion of Sri.D S Santhosh Kumar, to the post of Joint Registrar, the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, vide Judgment dated 10.10.2023 in WP(C) No.20170/2023, has ordered that - "There will be a direction to respondents 1 (University of Kerala) and 2 (The Syndicate) to consider the recommendation for promotion of the petitioner as contained in Ext.P22 (Minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.06.2023) and promote the petitioner to the post of Joint Registrar. Exts.P24 and P25 (orders dated 12/06/2023, including Promotion Order) to the extent they deny promotion to the petitioner and promotes his juniors i.e.; respondents 4 to 6, to the post of Joint Registrar, are found to be not in accordance with the law, and the respondents 1 & 2 are directed to pass orders including the petitioner above his juniors in the list of persons promoted. Necessary orders shall be issued within three weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this judgment."

On perusal of the Judgment dated 10.10.2023 and the subsequent legal opinion tendered by the Standing Counsel vide email dated 17.10.2023, the Vice Chancellor has ordered to file a Review Petition seeking clarifications on the legal aspect with regard to the continuance of the ongoing formal Inquiry proceedings in accordance with the Statutory provisions; which are underway against the incumbent as per the resolution of the Syndicate held on 09.06.2023; since based on the report of the three Member Committee of the Syndicate, the Syndicate, being the appointing authority of Sri.D S Santhosh Kumar, has contemplated disciplinary action for imposing major penalty against him and the formal inquiry as per the statutory provisions is progressing. Therefore it would be legally untenable to stop the inquiry at this stage.

Accordingly, a Review Petition was duly forwarded to the Standing Counsel for urgent filing on 31.10.2023 itself and it is informed that the Review petition number and further updates regarding the Petition will be informed when the same is received from the office of the Standing Counsel.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.76

Ph.D Research – Complaint against Research Supervisor due to severe harassment and threatening - Change of Research Centre & Change of Research Supervisor – Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas, Full-time Research Scholar in Physics - Reporting of – reg.

(Ac.EVI)

Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas, Full-time Research Scholar in Physics submitted application for change of Research Supervisor from Dr. Arun Aravind, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics, Bishop Moore College, Mavelikkara to Dr. Deepthi N Rajendran, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram. She has submitted consent from the proposed Research Supervisor along with application for change of Research Centre from Bishop Moore College, Mavelikkara to Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram.

Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas was granted permission to visit Graphene and Advanced 2D Materials Research Group (GAMRG), School of Engineering and Technology, Sunway University, Malaysia for a duration of three months from 18th January 2023 to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023, vide UO 2158/2023/UOK dated 06/03/2023 without any financial liability to the University. The Research Scholar requested for an extension of one month from 11/04/2023 to 10/05/2023 as the research experiments were not completed within the stipulated period. But no official request was received to the University through proper channel.

Dr. D Sajan, Associate Professor, Head of the Department and Research Centre, Dept. of Physics, Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara, via e-mail dated 12/07/2023 informed that a Memo No. BMC/E1/191/2023 dated 11/07/2023 was issued to Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas from Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara regarding the non-joining of Research Scholar after short term visit to abroad University.

Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas submitted a complaint that she has been facing severe harassment in different mode of operation from her Research Supervisor from her date of joining and now her Research Supervisor Dr. Arun Aravind, Dr. D. Sajan, HOD and Dr. Ranjith Mathew Abraham, the Principal, Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara are jointly conspiring against her and creating problems by issuing memo from the College and trying to cancel her Ph.D registration.

Later a complaint was conveyed by Dr. Arun Aravind to Prof. Mohammad Khalid, to the Head Sunway Centre for Electrochemical Energy and Sustainable Technology, Sunway University, regarding unethical research practice and Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) violation by Dr. Jayesh Cherusseri (Sunway University, Malasia), and Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas.

Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas lodged a Police complaint against Dr. Arun Aravind due to the severe sexual harassment and submitted First Investigation Report.

On the basis of the e-mail dated 26/07/2023 from Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor permitted to meet her on 04/08/2023. The Research Scholar met the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor on 04/08/2023 and in the copy of the mail itself referred the complaint to Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) for urgent steps and permitted the candidate to change the Research Supervisor.

Through e-mail dated 04/08/2023, the Principal, Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara forwarded the copy of the letter issued to Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas intimating that her complaint has been forwarded for further enquiry to the Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) of Bishop Moore College, Mavelikkara and also directed to forward an official complaint from her side to the Presiding Officer of the Internal Complaint Committee (ICC) of Bishop Moore College, Mavelikkara.

Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas was directed to submit an application for change of Research Supervisor, vide memo no. Ac EVI(4)/3689/2023/UOK dated 10/08/2023. Accordingly the candidate submitted application for change of Research Supervisor and change of Research Centre.

The application submitted by Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas has been verified. The candidate submitted the required documents and remitted the requisite fees.

The details of the candidate is shown below:

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Name and details of Candidate	Request	Remarks			
Susmi Anna Thomas Full-time, Physics Uo.No. 1162/2021/UOK dated 01/03/2021 w.e.f. 22/12/2020 Research Supervisor: Dr. Arun Aravind Assistant Professor Dept. of Physics Bishop Moore College Mavelikkara Centre: Bishop Moore College Mavelikkara	1)Change of research supervisor to Dr. Deepthi N Rajendran, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvanathapuram.  Superannuation date of the proposed guide is on 31.05.2034 and as per records Guide has four candidates are pursuing research under her guidance and Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas is to be registered as a supernumerary candidate  2) Change of research centre from Bishop Moore College, Mavelikkara to Govt. College for Women, Tvpm	The recommendations of the Doctoral Committee held on 23. (15.09.2023 Detailed below)  Verified the fee statement and there is no break in remittance of research fee.			

The Doctoral Committee held on 15.09.2023 considered the request of Susmi Anna Thomas as per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and observed that she has completed the experimental part of her proposed PhD programme. She is presently preparing manuscripts. Dr Deepthi N Rajendran, Asst Professor, Department of Physics, Govt College for Women had expressed her consent to perform duties as Research Guide of Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas. New Guide can decide on the structure content of the manuscripts and thesis so as to effectively complete the proposed work. She may be permitted to join as a supernumerary candidate.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, change of Research Supervisor and change

of Research centre was granted to Ms. Susmi Anna Thomas, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, vide UO No. 9322/2023/UOK dated 14/11/2023.

The matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.77

Dept. of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries - Hosting VIIth Jellyfish Blooms Symposium (JBS -7) 2023 - Provisional Payment of ₹10,00,000/- - Request-Consideration of-reg.

(Ad.D1)

International Jelly fish Blooms Symposium is a recurrent get together of the Global Jellyfish Research Community, which was previously held in USA, Australia, Argentina, Japan, Spain & South Africa. As India is one of the leading countries in jellyfish diversity, the proposal submitted by Dr. A. Biju Kumar to conduct the seventh Jellyfish Blooms Symposium (JBS-7) in India was accepted. Hence, Dr. A. Biju Kumar had requested permission to conduct the Symposium from 21.11.2023 to 25.11.2023 at the Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, University of Kerala. The Syndicate at it's meeting held on 26.04.2023, vide item no.56.45.D10, had resolved to organize the programme accordingly. The Symposium was conducted during the period from 21.11.2023 to 24.11.2023 at Kovalam and the international workshop is scheduled at the Department of Aquatic Biology, Kariavattom campus from 25.11.2023 to 27.11.2023.

Now the HoD has requested a financial assistance of  $\leq 10,00,000$ /- (Rupees Ten lakh only) from the part of University.

**Statement of Expenditure – Income** 

<b>Expected Income</b>		Anticipated Expenditure			
No.	Item	Amount (₹)	No.	Item	Amount (₹)
1.	Registration Fee	1000000	1.	TA/DA for Young Scientists (Indian)	200000
2.	Advertisement	500000	2.	Pre – conference printing (Announcements, abstracts etc)	200000
3.	Sponsorships	500000	3.	Publication of Proceeding	200000
4.	Core Support from University of Kerala	1000000	4.	Stationery	100000
5.	Funding Support	1000000	5.	Secretarial Assistance	100000
from other Agencies (CSIR, DST SERB,				Local Hospitality (Indian & Foreign Scientists)	500000
	MoES, NBA) & Private Sponsor		7. Scientific Exhibition/Poster Exhibition		200000
			8.	TA for Foreign Scientists	700000
			9.	Venue Charges	500000
	10. Audio – Video recording, publicity website		300000		
			11.	Refreshments	600000
			12.	Miscellaneous	400000
Total: 40,00,000/-(Forty Lakh only)		Total: 40,00,000/-(Forty Lakh only)			

**Expected Financial Support from the University of Kerala** 

No	Purpose	Amount (₹)
1.	TA/DA for Indian & Foreign Scientists	400000
2.	Venue Charges & Poster Exhibition	200000
3.	Printing & Design charges for abstracts and Proceeding	200000

<i>J</i> .	Total: ₹10,00,000/- (Ten Lakh only)	100000
5	Refreshments & Local Hospitality	100000
4.	Audio – Video recording, publicity, website	100000

on this, the Finance has remarked that "since there are no common guidelines for releasing financial assistance for hosting such seminars/ conferences/symposium etc, a suitable decision may be taken at the administrative level". The Finance Officer also opined that "In future, University may formulate appropriate guidelines towards financial assistance to the Departments hosting such seminars/ conferences/symposium etc."

Hence, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter of providing financial assistance of an amount of ₹10,00,000/- (Ten Lakh only) to Dr. A. Biju Kumar, Professor & Head, Dept. of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, for hosting the "Seventh Jellyfish Blooms Symposium (JBS-7)" and International Workshop, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

# Resolution of the Syndicate RESOLVED that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

Item No:06.78

Proposal for signing Memorandum of Understanding between International Skill Development Corporation and Department of Commerce, University of Kerala-Consideration of- reg.

(Ac.D)

The Dean, Faculty of Commerce has forwarded a proposal for signing MoU with International Skill Development Corporation for the establishment of Institutional links and cooperative Programmes.

ISDC, a skill Development Company having expertise in Professional & Vocational Education and is the approved learning partner of ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) and many other professional bodies based out of United Kingdom.

#### The details of MoU is as follows:-

- a) To promote the qualifiation or competency framework of Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) UK with a vision of enhancing the career and job opportunities of B.com students of University Of Kerala by embedding ACCA Professional Qualification.
- b) To develop specific programmes that create opportunities for students. Such collaborations shall be agreed by the Parties and form part of future understandings.
- c) Disseminating information in collaboration with each other, to students, about the accounting profession and the opportunities available to accounting and finance professionals.
- d) Joint seminars, conferences, skill development projects, common research projects and publications and the accounting profession whilst other forms of co-operation may be arranged by the parties during the period of this understanding.
- e) Exchanging, by mutual understanding, academic and examination materials to facilitate teaching and training.
- f) Bring together mutual networks of employers to maximise placement opportunities for students at University Of Kerala.
- g) Promote this collaboration across the Parties' global networks. The scope and content of the promotional activities shall be discussed and mutually agreed by the parties
- h) Undertake any other activities that shall be mutually identified and agreed by both parties at a later stage.

International Skill Development Corporation and Department of Commerce, University of Kerala shall bear their own costs and expenses incurred in complying with their obligations under this MoU.

**Duration:** The duration of the agreement will be for an initial period of three years and may be renewed by mutual consent.

The Legal adviser has perused the draft MoU and remarked that the same is legally in order.

As per orders of the Vice Chancellor, the proposal for signing Memorandum of Understanding between International Skill Development Corporation and Department of Commerce, University of Kerala is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to approve the proposal for signing Memorandum of Understanding (Legaly vetted) between International Skill Development Corporation and Department of Commerce, with following modifications:

Clause 2.3 (c) - Sharing business intelligence and networks with ISDC for both Parties, if agreed, for mutual benefits

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# Item No.06.79 Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023-Minutes- approval –reg.

(Pl.G)

A meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate was held at 2.00 p.m on 21.11.2023 at the Syndicate room, SH campus, Palayam. (Minutes of the meeting is appended).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held at 2.00 p.m on 21.11.2023 in the Syndicate room is placed before the Syndicate for approval.

# MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE

Date: 21.11.2023, Time: 2.00 p.m Venue: Syndicate room

#### **Members**

Adv.Muralidharan Pillai G, Convener - Sd/Dr.K G Gopchandran, Member Syndicate - Sd/Dr.P M Radhamany, Member Syndicate - Sd/Dr. S Jayan, Member Syndicate - Sd/Dr. Shijukhan J S, Member Syndicate - Absent
Sri. R. Rajesh, Member Syndicate - Sd/-

# ITEM NO.06.79.01 Construction of School of Communication and Library Science- entrusted with M/s KSHB – reg.

[Pl.G]

The Govt. of Kerala had accorded administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.500 lakhs, for the Construction of School of Communication and Library science at Karyavattom (Phase I), G.O (t) No.995/2018/H.Edn dated 22.05.2018. Sanction was accorded vide U.O No.Pl.G/2305/SP 2018-19/2018 dated 23.06.2018 to the estimate amounting to Rs.13,00,00,000/- (Rs. 13 Crores) submitted by the University Engineer prepared based on 2016 DSR with cost index of 44.12% for Thiruvananthapuram for the Construction of School of Communication and Library Science at Kariavattom campus which includes lumpsum provision for electrical works, landscaping, yard development, road and drive way. Also approved the Phase I works amounting to Rs.5,00,00,000/- (Rs.5 crore) which includes earth work, foundation, all structural components and finishing works upto ground floor roof level and first floor stair room. As per U.O No. Pl.G/2305/SP 2018-19/2018 dated 15.09.2020, administrative sanction was accorded approving the verified abstract estimate of KSHB amounting to Rs.4,53,62,629/- (Rupees Four crore fifty three lakh sixty two thousand six hundred and twenty nine only) for the construction of School of Communication and Information Science building at Kariavattom (phase I), which includes 4.5% centage charge, 18% GST on centage charge and GST @ 12% on works. An MoU was executed with the KSHB for the work on 22.12.2020.

In regards to the Construction of School of Communication and Library science, the following may be noted:

### I.Fine for delay for the Construction.

As per the MoU, time of completion of the work was expired on 05.09.2022. M/s KSHB, vide letter dated 01.11.2022, requested to extend the Time of Completion upto 31.03.2023 (6 months). The Syndicate held on 29.12.2022, resolved as follows:

(1) To condone the delay occurred from the part of the Contractor for a period of 2 1/2 months, considering the facts that the treasury ban adversely affected the fund mobility of the contractor and the other hindrances mentioned by KSHB.

- (2) To extend the time of completion of the work related to the Construction of School of Communication and Library Science at Kariavattom Campus from 06.09.2022 to 31.03.2023, with suitable penalty against PMC (in accordance with clause 2(g) of MoU dated 22.12.2020) except for a period of 2 1/2 months in view of recommendation 1, since there is no increase in scope of the project (Clause 1(m) of the MoU).
- (3) To direct the KSHB to grant extension of ToC of the Contractor in accordance with PWD norms and in view of clause (4) of the MoU.
- (4) To direct KSHB to complete the whole project including electrical works on or before 31.03.2023.
- (5) To execute a supplemental MoU for effecting the above extension.
- (6) Not to grant further extension to KSHB for the project.

Thereafter, the Regional Manager, KSHB, vide letter dtd 21.01.2023, has substantiated their part by specifying the reasons for the delay of the work such as **delay in payments of part bills**, quarry ban, unpleasant weather conditions, third wave of covid pandemic etc and opined that the decision taken by the University to impose penalty to the KSHB is unjustifiable and requested to exempt the fine. The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 07.02.2023, has considered the matter and directed the University Engineer to obtain the relevant documents with regards to the payment of CC1 & part bill and CC2 & part bill in respect of Construction of School of Communication and Library Science at Kariavattom, from the KSHB and offer remarks on the same and recommended to refer the item along with the relevant documents with regards to the payment of CC1 & part bill and CC2 & part bill from the KSHB and the remarks of the University Engineer on the matter, to the next meeting of the Syndicate.

Accordingly, the University Engineer, with regards to the payment of CC1 & part bill and CC2 & part bill, has reported in the meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.02.2023, that five months of time has been taken from the date of bill submitted for payment to the date of effecting payment to the Contractor. The Syndicate held on 09.02.2023 &28.02.2023, considered the above matter with the report of the University Engineer and resolved to grant extension of time of completion of work up to 31.03.2023. Also resolved that the fine for the period of treasury ban be exempted from the Contractor.

As per U.O No.7887/2022/UOK dtd 12.10 2022, sanction was accorded to approve the lowest quoted amount of Rs.3,78,36,396.98/- (which is 4.59% above the estimate amount) in response to the tender for the civil works related to the construction of School of Communication and Information Science building at Kariavattom, issued by the consultant KSHB and to grant permission to execute the required supplementary agreement accordingly. The Syndicate held on 13.04.2023, has resolved to direct M/s. KSHB to submit a draft supplemental MoU regarding extension of ToC up to 31.03.2023, incorporating the clause regarding the quoted and accepted amount for the civil work package which is 4.59% above the tendered PAC.

M/s.KSHB, vide letter dtd 26.04.2023, has submitted the draft Second Supplemental MoU for extension of ToC up to 31.03.2023. The University Engineer, vide letter dtd 17.05.2023, has remarked that the contents of the draft supplemental agreement for extension of ToC upto 31.03.2023 have been verified and found them in order and recommended to proceed with the draft second supplemental agreement by inserting the details of the first supplemental agreement in nutshell and after legal vetting.

The Legal Advisor, vide letter dtd 7.09.2023, has opined as follows:

"There is no legal impediment in incorporating the details of the first supplemental MoU in nutshell to the second supplemental MoU as sugested by the University engineer. It is pertinent to note that, as per statute 18(1)(h) of chapter 2 of the Kerala University First Statutes 1977, it shall be the duty of the Registrar to sign contracts and other agreements on behalf of the University under the directions of the Syndicate. Once the Syndicate decided the conditions to be incorporated to the agreement, no deviation from the same is permissible. Here, in the instant case, the Syndicate on 13.04.2023 resolved to direct M/s KSHB to submit a draft supplemental MoU for extending ToC up to 31.03.2023, incorporating a clause regarding the qouted and accepted amount for the civil work package which is 4.59% above the tendered PAC. But, the said clause is seen excluded in the draft supplemental MoU, which is not permissible. University may therefore incorpaorate the said

clause to the MoU as decided by the Syndicate. MoU may be modified accordingly."

In a similar case of *agreement executed for past period / past performance*, ie, in the case of Construction of Staff Quarters, the Legal Advisor, vide letter dtd 17.12.2022, has opined as follows:

"The Registrar University of Kerala entered into an agreement with M/s. WAPCOS Ltd for constructing Staff Quarters at Kariavattom. Consequent on expiry of term specified in the agreement, the second party (M/s. WAPCOS) sought for further time extending upto 30.09.2022. Though the first party (University of Kerala) has consented to the request, formal MoU/agreement could not be executed between them. The supplementary agreement executed for past period / past performance will not be valid as the same ought to have been executed on or before the date of expiry of the principal agreement. However, from the note, it can be inferred that, even after the term specified in the Principal MoU, the parties continued with their transactions. The second party has retained possession of the land earmarked for the Staff Quarters, with the consent of the First Party. The relationship between the parties after the formal expiry of principal MoU / agreement still subsists. Thus by the act of both parties, there is an extension of agreement by necessary implications. Now, therefore the University can execute agreement/ MoU with M/s KSHB Ltd. and thereby ratify the actions taken by the second party during the extended time period. Draft MoU may be modified accordingly."

Accordingly, the section prepared draft Second Supplemental MoU incorporating the suggestions made by the Legal Adviser and the University Engineer.

As per the orders of the Registrar, the draft MoU prepared by the section was forwarded to the finance section:

- for obtaining remarks/financial vetting on the draft MoU
- to suggest how to include the details of fine in the MOU, as the Finance has remarked that there was no treasury ban for bills during the above mentioned period.

#### The Finance Officer has now remarked:

- 7. The draft supplementary MoU has been verified and found in order.
- 8. Clause 4 of the original MoU dated 22.12.2020 will continue to be equally applicable in the supplementary agreement. Levy of fine (if any) will be made applicable as per PWD norms and the information recorded in the hindrance register maintained in the University Engineer Office.

With regards to the matter of exempting fine for the Treasury ban period, Cash II section has remarked that:"The Finance Department, Govt of Kerala and Treasury officials informed that there was no treasury ban for bills during the above mentioned period. During that period, payments above Rs.25 Lakhs need clearance from Govt.(The Finance department has issued orders placing restrictions on the treasury from clearing bills over ₹25 lakh). The Government strictly instructed that the contractor payments above Rs.25 Lakhs must be processed only through Bill Discounting System (BDS). So, as per the written request from the contractor, the above mentioned bill was processed through BDS on 23.07.2022." The Finance Officer has approved the remarks of the Cash II section.

The University Engineer, vide letter dtd 03.10.2023, has remarked the following on the matter:

- 1. The Finance Officer has remarked that there was no treasury ban, but there is restriction on the treasury to clear the bills over Rs 25 lakhs. Hence the bill was processed through BDS on 23/07/2022 as requested by the contractor.
- 2. The Finance Officer has not mentioned the period of delay, if any to present the bill due to treasury restriction.
- 3. The Syndicate resolved to condone a period of 2 and 1/2 months of delay.
- 4. Clause 2(g) of MoU dated 22.12.2020 reads: "....if any delay occurs from the part of PMC in executing the project suitable penalty will be imposed."
- 5. The Syndicate or Finance Officer has not fixed the rate of penalty to be imposed on the PMC and the amount on which penalty is to be calculated.
- **6.** The Syndicate held on 28.02.2023 resolved to extend the time of completion of the project up to 31.03.2023 and it was specifically stated that "not to grant further extension to KSHB for the project".

- 7. The work is currently underway and is in finishing stage.
- 8. Hence a meeting may be convened at higher level including Finance Officer with the officials of KSHB in order to discuss;
  - a. The current status of the work and the date on which the project will be completed.
  - b. The reasons for the delay in completing the project that to ascertain the defaulter.
  - c. The rate of penalty to be imposed on PMC and the amount on which penalty is to be calculated.
  - d. The further extension, if any required for the completion of the project and the terms of the further extension.
  - e. The fine, if any to be imposed on the contractor.

### II. Water seepage from the roof of the building

The contractor of the work, vide letter dated 13.09.23, has reported that due to non-plastering of the roof of the building there is possibility of moisture and leakage in School of Communication and Library Science Building at kariavattom Campus.

The UE, vide letter dated 03.10.2023, has reported that:

- 1. The work for Construction of School of Communication and Library Science at Karyavattom campus is currently underway and is in the finishing stage.
- 2. The Assistant Executive Engineer-II reported that due to insufficient slope in the terrace area, there is stagnation of water on the roof.
- 3. This has resulted in water seepage from the roof, leading to dampness on the ceiling and walls
- 4. The provision for quantities required for rooftop levelling and plastering is not included in the approved estimate, since it was assumed that the vertical extension will be constructed soon after the completion of ground floor.
- 5. The approximate amount required for roof top levelling and plastering is Rs.15,90,000/-.
- 6. Budgetary estimate amounting to Rs.11.57 crore for the construction of first, second and terrace floor for new building for School of Communication and Library science at Kariavattom campus has been submitted by this office and the decision on the same is pending.

The University Engineer has therefore requested:

(1) to accord sanction to prepare an estimate for the roof top levelling and plastering to arrest the water seepage from the roof.

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(2) to accord sanction to the Budgetary estimate amounting to Rs.11.57 crore for the construction of first, second and terrace floor for new building for School of Communication and Library science at Kariavattom campus.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the following matters are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

- 1) Approval of draft Second Supplemental MoU prepared by the section incorporating the suggestions made by the Legal Adviser and the University Engineer for extension of Time of completion upto 31.03.2023.
- 2) To finalize the fine during the extension period upto 31.03.2023, as the Finance has remarked that there was no treasury ban for bills at that time and there was only financial restriction in the treasury.
- 3) The request of the University Engineer to convene a meeting at higher level including Finance Officer with the officials of KSHB in order to discuss;
  - a. The current status of the work and the date on which the project will be completed.
  - b. The reasons for the delay in completing the project that to ascertain the defaulter.
  - c. The rate of penalty to be imposed on PMC and the amount on which penalty is to be calculated.
  - d. The further extension, if any required for the completion of the project and the terms of the further extension.
  - e. The fine, if any to be imposed on the contractor.
- 4) In the case of water seepage from the roof of the building, whether sanction be accorded

either to prepare an estimate for the roof top levelling and plastering to arrest the water seepage from the roof or to the Budgetary estimate amounting to Rs.11.57 crore for the construction of first, second and terrace floor for new building for School of Communication and Library science at Kariavattom campus, as requested by the University Engineer.

### Recommendation:

- 1. To exempt the fine for 144 days of the extension period from 06.09.2022 to 31.03.2023 granted to the Kerala State Housing Board, for the Construction of School of Communication and Library Science Kariavattom, considering the matter reported by the University Engineer at the meeting that the payment of CC I & Part bill and CC II & Part bill to the Contractor of the work was delayed for 144 days (21.05.2022 to 10.08.2022 & 20.09.2022 to 20.11.2022) due to the treasury restrictions at that time.
- 2. To entrust the University Engineer to calculate the fine/penalty to be imposed on the Kerala State Housing Board/Contractor, as per norms, for the remaining 63 days of extension period from 06.09.2022 to 31.03.2023 granted to KSHB.
- 3. To execute Second Supplemental MoU for extension of Time of completion upto 31.03.2023 by incorporating the suggestions made by the Legal Adviser and the University Engineer.
- 4. To convene a meeting of Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G (Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate), Sri. R. Rajesh (Member Syndicate), Registrar, Director (P&D), Finance Officer, University Engineer and Kerala State Housing Board to discuss the current status of the work, the reasons for further delay in completing the project, granting extension of ToC and the rate of penalty/fine to be imposed on PMC/contractor.

The Committee further recommended to refer the matter reported by the contractor that there exists a possibility of moisture and leakage in the School of Communication and Library Science Building at Kariavattom Campus and the request of the University Engineer on the same, to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation at Sl. No. (4) of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to refer the item to the next Syndicate.

# ITEM NO.06.79.02 Construction of Staff Quarters at University Campus, Karyavattom-Deviation in the estimate-reg.

[*Pl.G*]

As per U.O No.Pl.G/4013/Staff Quarters/2014 dated 19/06/2020, administrative sanction was accorded approving the estimate amounting to Rs.2,96,89,000/- (Rupees Two crore ninety six lakh and eighty nine thousand only) for the construction of first two blocks of Staff Quarters at Kariavattom and a Memorandum of Understanding was executed with the firm M/s. WAPCOS Ltd on 03.11.2020 for the said work. The work was completed on 09.12.2022.

M/s WAPCOS, vide letter dated 31.05.2023, has submitted a revised estimate with a net amount of Rs.2,90,12,220.35/- for the construction of Staff Quarters, for approval. The revised estimate submitted by M/s WAPCOS was forwarded to the University Engineer for furnishing remarks on it. Mean while, M/s WAPCOS, vide letter dated 05.08.2023, has forwarded the RA bill 5 submitted by Sri. Sreekumar, K.S, Contractor and requested to effect payment of Rs.55,51,591/-(Rupees Fifty Five lakh Fifty One thousand five hundred and Ninety One only) to the Contractor of the work.

Now, M/s WAPCOS, vide letter dtd 10.10.2023, has forwarded approved deviation estimate along with the supplementary agreement with the contractor and has stated that:

- As per the site condition, some extra items and additional quantities are included in the deviation statement.
- The approved original estimate is of Rs.2,47,88,417/- excluding GST and Centage.
- The estimate having deviation in quantities and extra item comes to Rs. 2,36,01,298/excluding GST and Centage, which is within the administrative sanction given by

University of Kerala for an amount of Rs. 2,96,89,000/- including GST and Centage for the mentioned work.

• For the proper completion of the work, this is essential.

The University Engineer, vide letter dtd 11.10.2023, has informed that AEE-II and AEE (Ele) have verified the deviation statement received from M/s WAPCOS and they have **reported that the excess quantities and extra items executed at the site are required for the successful completion of the work and the reason stated in the deviation statement by M/s WAPCOS are acceptable.** On verification of the rates of extra items, it was found that the rate of item No.9 is Rs.3282.00 instead of Rs. 2224.03. M/s WAPCOS expressed their willingness to reduce the rate of item No.9 to Rs.2224.03. The University Engineer also reported that on verification of the Running account bill No.5 submitted by M/s WAPCOS, it is noticed that the bill includes excess quantities and extra items over and above the scheduled quantity. Hence the University Engineer has suggested that:

- 1. The running account Bill No.5 may be returned to M/s WAPCOS so as to enable them to submit fresh bill excluding excess and extra execution.
- 2. The deviation statement may be approved and the excess quantities and extra items executed for the successful completion of the work may be approved and ratified.
- 3. To direct M/s WAPCOS to deduct over all tender variation from the rate of each extra item and also from the excess execution over and above 25% of the scheduled quantities.
- 4. M/s WAPCOS may be directed to execute Supplementary Agreement with the contractor for the excess and extra items executed and forwarded the Supplementary Agreement and schedule to the University before submitting the final bill of the work.

Accordingly, the running account Bill No.5 was returned to M/s WAPCOS so as to enable them to submit fresh bill excluding excess and extra execution.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the above mentioned matter along with the requests of WAPCOS (letter dtd 10.10.2023) and the University Engineer (letter dtd 11.10.2023), is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate (Planning and Development) for consideration and recommendation.

#### Recommendation:

- 1. To approve and ratify the excess quantities and extra items executed for the successful completion of the work "Construction of Staff Quarters at Kariavattom campus", as reported by the University Engineer.
- 2. To approve the deviation estimate for the work, submitted by M/s WAPCOS.
- 3. To direct M/s WAPCOS to deduct over all tender variation from the rate of each extra item and also from the excess execution over and above 25% of the scheduled quantities.
- 4. To direct M/s WAPCOS to execute Supplementary Agreement with the contractor for the excess and extra items executed and forward the Supplementary Agreement and schedule to the University before submitting the final bill of the work.
- 5. To entrust M/s WAPCOS to submit the bills for the work "Construction of Staff Quarters at Kariavattom campus".

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

# ITEM NO.06.79.03 Budget Speech 2023-24- Renovation of Campus Nursery- Estimate-Consideration of – Reg.

[*Pl.C*]

An amount of Rs. 10 Lakh has been earmarked in the Budget Speech for the year 2023-24 (item no.100) of the University, for the renovation and enhancement of infrastructure of the Nursery School at Kariavattom Campus. Accordingly, the University Engineer, vide letter no. DB2/Nursery School-Kvtm/2023 dated 25.10.2023, has submitted a detailed estimate for providing connection passage between campus nursery school and day care unit and allied civil works and supplying and installing multi play station at Kariavattom Campus, after inspecting the site. The estimate is prepared based on DSR 2018 with cost index 35.59 % for TVPM, including provision for supply and installing Multi play station, and the amount comes to Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs only) including GST

@ 18%.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the above said estimate amounting to Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs only ), submitted by the University Engineer, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for appropriate recommendation.

#### Recommendation:

- To provide a connection passage between campus nursery school and day care unit and do allied civil works, in connection with the renovation and enhancement of infrastructure of the Nursery School at Kariavattom Campus.
- To approve and accord administrative sanction to the estimate limiting to 5 lakhs excluding provision for supplying and installing Multi play station, prepared by the University Engineer, based on DSR 2018 with cost index 35.59% for TVPM, including GST @ 18%, for providing a connection passage between campus nursery school and day care unit and doing allied civil works.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

### ITEM NO.06.79.04

Leakage in PRC staff room and library-Urgent work of light roofing -Estimate approved- Report regarding the funds for executionconsideration of- Reg.

[PLC]

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 27.06.2023 vide item no.59.160.02 resolved to approve the estimate amounting to Rs.24,50,000/-(Rupees Twenty Four Lakh and Fifty Thousand only) including GST @ 18% prepared based on DSR 2018 with cost index 35.59% for Thiruvananthapuram, submitted by the University Engineer for providing GI sheet roofing on the terrace area of the building occupied by the Population Research Centre (PRC), so as to permanantly prevent the water leakage from roof slab of the building. The Syndicate also resolved to entrust the PRC to seek feasibility of executing the work utilizing central grant/fund.

Thereafter, the Director i/c of PRC, vide letter No.PRC/62/2023-24 dated. 06.10.2023 reported that the grant in aid cannot be utilized for such purposes. They have intimated the matter to the MOHFW, Govt. of India and are **awaiting reply from the Ministry**. The Director, i/c also reported that since half of the building (Second Floor) is occupied by PRC and other half is occupied by the Department of Computer Science, MOHFW may provide only half of the total expenditure. The Director, i/c further reported that the leakage has resulted in the seepage of rainwater to the power points. The heavy leakage poses threat to all computers, printers, servers, UPS and AC's, and damages the walls and roof of the building.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the Director I/c, PRC requested that the work related to soft-roofing be initiated with University fund and the fund can be recouped as and when an allocation is received from the ministry.

The Head, Dept. of Computer Science vide email dated 25.10.2023 reported that in room No.CSC 17 and CSC 20, situated in the building commonly shared by Population Research Centre and Dept. of Computer Science is now facing serious water leakage problem from the roof and the electrical equipments may get damaged due to this and they need sudden remedy for the same.

It may be noted that as per the revised guidelines of PRCs dated. 12.03.2021, [para 7.1 and page no. 114] "the PRCs have been functioning under Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) as a Central Sector Scheme where MoHFW provides 100% grants-in-aid for meeting all expenditure towards salary, allowances, approved research studies, infrastructure development, non-recurring expenditure and other office expenses (OE)/other administrative expenses(OAE) for various activities such as constructions, repairs and maintenance, purchase of office furniture, equipments, computers, software, organizing workshops/seminars, etc.

The following suggestions are therefore put forth for taking suitable decision relating to the request of the Director (i/c), PRC as there is provision for meeting the expenditure for construction and repair and maintenance, in the guidelines of PRC

1. whether the work be initiated by advancing University Fund (Non-Plan fund) subject to

recoupment when an allocation of fund is received from MoHFW,

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2. whether the work be initiated by advancing University Fund (Non-Plan fund) subject to recoupment when an allocation of fund is received from MoHFW, even if the Ministry allocate/contribute only half of the total expenditure as half portion of second floor is occupied by the Department of Computer Science.

OR

3. whether the work be deferred until concurrence is received from MoHFW regarding funding.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the aforesaid matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

#### Recommendation:

To refer the item to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

# ITEM NO.06.79.05 Kerala University Press Building- Electrical and Maintenance Balance Work-Single Tender- Reg.

[Pl.C]

The estimate amounting to Rs. 2,31,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty One Thousand only), including 12 % GST submitted by the University Engineer based on DSR 2016 with 37.93% cost index, towards urgent electrical and maintenance work of University Press building at SH Campus was approved, vide U.O No. Ad. B1(4)802/2020/076/66 dated. 23.07.2021.

Now, the University Engineer, vide letter no. DB1/press-Ele/23-24 dated. 20.10.2023 has informed that the above said work was tendered and awarded with the contractor Sri.Rajesh Kumar. P at 7.12% below the estimate rate. After executing the agreement the contractor has carried out the work but failed to complete the work. Total value of the work done by the contractor is Rs.29,622/excluding GST. Hence, the work is re-arranged at the contractor's risk and cost by issuing a proceedings (No. AEE I/SDB/Press/Ele/PLYM/01/2022-23 dated. 25.11.2022). Accordingly, the University Engineer invited E-tenders for the balance work through the e-tender website fixing the last date of tender as on 13.02.2023 with a **tendered PAC of Rs. 1,73,375/-**. In response no tenders were received and re- tendered through the same channel fixing the last date as 05.06.2023. In response also only a **single tender was received from M/s/ Swabhitech at Rs.1,70,945/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty Five only), which is 1.4% below the <b>estimate rate**.

It is stated that the quoted rate is reasonable and the chance of getting of better offer if retendered the work is remote. Hence, the University Engineer has recommended to accord sanction to the above said single tender, in accordance with the Government Order G.O (P) No.324/2015/Fin dtd 30/7/2015, wherein a single bid received during re tender shall be accepted only with the approval of a Committee.

As ordered by the Vice Chancellor, the single tender of M/s. Swabhitech for an amount of Rs.1,70,945/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty Five only) at 1.4% below the estimate rate for the balance work of electrical and maintenance of University Press building at SH Campus, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

#### **Recommendation:**

1. To approve and accord administrative sanction to the single tender of M/s. Swabhitech for an amount of Rs.1,70,945/- (Rupees One lakh seventy thousand nine hundred and forty five only) which is 1.4% below the estimate rate, for the balance work of electrical and maintenance of University Press building at Senate House Campus, considering the remarks of the University Engineer that the quoted rate is reasonable and the chance of getting of better offer if retendered the work is remote.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the

### Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

#### ITEM NO. 06.79.06

ലോക്കൽ ഫണ്ട് അക്കൗണ്ട്സ് കമ്മിറ്റി (2021-23)- സമിതി (2016-19)യുടെ ഇരുപത്തിമൂന്നാമത് റിപ്പോർട്ട് (സംസ്ഥാന ഓഡിറ്റ് ഡയറക്ടറുടെ 2005-06, 2006-07 വർഷങ്ങളിലെ സമാഹൃത ഓഡിറ്റ് റിപ്പോർട്ടുകളിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുള്ള കേരള സർവകലാശാലയുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട ഓഡിറ്റ് ഖണ്ഡികകൾ സംബന്ധിച്ച്)-30.11.2022 തീയതിയിലെ സമിതി യോഗം ആരാഞ്ഞ അധിക വിവരങ്ങൾ - സംബന്ധിച്ച് .

[*Pl.G*]

ഉന്നത വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ വകുപ്പ് പ്രിൻസിപ്പൽ സെക്രട്ടറി 23.08.2023 തീയതിയിലെ കത്ത് നം. B5/131/2018-HEDN പ്രകാരം കേരള നിയമസഭയുടെ ലോക്കൽ ഫണ്ട് അക്കൗണ്ട്സ് കമ്മിറ്റി(2021-23)-സമിതി (2016-19)യുടെ 30.11.2022ൽ ചേർന്ന യോഗത്തിൽ, സമിതി (2016-19) യുടെ 23-ഠാ മത് റിപ്പോർട്ടിലെ (സംസ്ഥാന ഓഡിറ്റ് ഡയറക്ടറുടെ 2005-06, 2006-07 വർഷങ്ങളിലെ സമാഹൃത ഓഡിറ്റ് റിപ്പോർട്ടുകളിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുള്ള കേരള സർവകലാശാലയുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട ഓഡിറ്റ് ഖണ്ഡികകൾ സംബന്ധിച്ച്) ശിപാർശകളിന്മേലുള്ള നടപടി പത്രികകൾ സമിതി പരിഗണിക്കുകയും അധിക വിവരങ്ങൾ ആരായുകയും ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ട് എന്ന് അറിയിക്കുകയും അതിന്റെ അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ ആയതിന്മേലുള്ള റിപ്പോർട്ട്അടിയന്തിരമായി നൽകണമെന്നും ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടിട്രിർക്കുന്നു.

ഖണ്ഡിക നമ്പർ	ആരാഞ്ഞ അധിക വിവരം	പ്രധാന ഓഡിറ്റ് പരാമർശങ്ങൾ
46	സമുച്ചയനിർമ്മാണവുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട് ഉത്തരവാദികളായവർക്കെതിരെ സർക്കാർതലത്തിൽ കർശന നടപടി സ്വീകരിച്ചതിന് ശേഷം ആയതിന്റെ റിപ്പോർട്ട് സമർപ്പിക്കണമെന്ന സമിതിയുടെ ഇപാര് ശയിന്മേൽ സർവകലാശാല യാതൊരു നടപടിയും സ്വീകരിച്ചിട്ടില്ല എന്ന് സമിതി നിരീക്ഷിച്ചു. പ്രസ്തൃത വിഷയത്തിന്മേൽ നടപടി സ്വീകരിച്ച	[60058500] $[930]$ $[930]$ $[930]$

87,076 രൂപയും നൽകുകയുണ്ടായി.

\*കൂടാതെ കോൺട്രാക്ടറിൽ നിന്നും മൊബൈലിസേഷൻ അഡ്വാൻസിനത്തിൽ ഈടാക്കിയ 3,36,851/- രൂപ തിരികെ നൽകിയത് യൂണിവേഴ്ലിറ്റി ഫണ്ടിന് നഷ്ടമുണ്ടാക്കി.

\*കോൺട്രാക്ടറോട് അനർഹമായ താൽപര്യം കാണിച്ചതിനാൽ പിഴ ഈടാക്കിയില്ലെന്നു മാത്രമല്ല ഈടാക്കിയ ഇകയും തിരികെ നൽകിയിട്ടുള്ളത് മൂലം 5,92,200/- രൂപ യൂണിവേഴ്ലിറ്റിക്ക് നഷ്ടമുണ്ടാക്കി.

# ഓഡിറ്റ് വകുപ്പ് ഡയറക്ടർ 2016 ലെ കത്തിലൂടെ സമർപ്പിച്ച സൂക്ഷു പരിശോധന കുറിപ്പ്:

'ആർബിട്രീഷൻ അവാർഡ് നിർത്തലാക്കിട്ടം ആർബിട്രീഷൻ അവാർഡ് അകാരണമായി ജോലികൾ നൽകലും നീട്ടിക്കൊണ്ട പോയതമാണ് കേരള സർവകലാശാല ഫണ്ടിന് ഭീമമായ നഷ്ടം സംഭവിക്കാൻ ഇത്രയും ഇടയാക്കിയത്. കേരള സർവകലാശാല ആക്ല് 1974ചാപ്റ്റർ III സെക്ഷൻ 10 സബ് സെക്ഷൻ 11 പ്രകാരം ചട്ടങ്ങൾക്ക് അനുസ്തമായും ഓർഡിനൻസ്, ബൈല, റ്റൾ എന്നിവ അന്ദസരിച്ചാണ് നടപടികൾ മുന്നോട്ട പോകന്നത് ഉത്തരവാദിത്വം എന്നും ഉറപ്പാക്കേണ്ട വൈസ് ചാൻസലർക്കാണ്. ആകയാൽ മരാമത്ത് ചട്ടങ്ങൾക്ക് വിരുദ്ധമായി കരാർ വ്യവസ്ഥയിൽ മാറ്റം വരുത്തുന്നത് ചട്ടവിരുദ്ധമാണെന്ന് ബോധ്യപ്പെട്ടത്തേണ്ട ഉത്തരവാദിത്വം വൈസ്-ചാൻസിലറിൽ നിഷിപ്തമായിരുന്നം." അന്നത്തെ

# സമിതിയുടെ ശുപാർശ:

ആദ്യത്തെ കരാറ്റകാരൻ ചെയ്ത പ്രവർത്തിയുടെ നിർണയിച്ച് നടപടി അവസാനിപ്പിക്കാതെയും ചെയ്യാതെയും രണ്ടാമതൊരു കരാറ്റകാരന് അതേ നിരക്കിൽ തന്നെ ബാക്കി പ്രവർത്തികൾ കൊട്ടത്തത്രം സർക്കാർ നിർത്തലാക്കിയ അവാർഡും അർബിട്രേഷൻ മെറ്റീരിയൽസിന്റെ വിലയിൽ വന്ന വൃത്യാസവും കരാറ്റകാരൻ അനുവദിച്ച കൊടുത്തത്രം ചാന് സലറ്റടെയും സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിന്റെയും ഭാഗത്തുനിന്നുള്ള ജ്ചബിലി വീഴ്ചയാണെന്നും ഗോൾഡൻ സമുച്ചയ പ്രവർത്തികൾ നിർമ്മാണവ്യമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട അനാവശൃമായി നീട്ടിക്കൊണ്ട പോയത് മൂലം സർവകലാശാലയ്ക് വൻ സാമ്പത്തിക ബാധ്യത ഉണ്ടായി. ഗോൾഡൻ ജൂബിലി സമുച്ചയ നിർമ്മാണവുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട ഉത്തരവാദികൾക്ക് എതിരെ സർക്കാർ തലത്തിൽ കർശന നടപടി സ്വീകരിച്ച ശേഷം ആയതിന്റെ റിപ്പോർട്ട് സമർപ്പിക്കാൻ നിർദ്ദേശിച്ച .

കാര്യവട്ടത്ത് ആർട്സ് ബ്ലോക്ക് II-ന്റെ നിർമ്മാണവുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ടു ആർബിട്രേഷൻ ഇനത്തിൽ ചിലവായ 11,39,902 രൂപ കരാറുകാരനിൽ നിന്നും ഈടാക്കിയതിന്റെ രേഖകൾ

വ്ലാക്ക് II-വസപ്പെട്ടു ക്ലോസ് ഏഴ് വർഷത്തിന് ശേഷം യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിയുടെ ഉനത്തിൽ സാമ്പത്തിക ഭദ്രതയ്ക്ക് കോട്ടം തട്ടുന്ന തരത്തിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തി രൂപ 11,39,902 രൂപ നൽകി അധിക ബാധ്യത ഉണ്ടാക്കി. നിന്നും കൂടാതെ വിലവ്യതിയാനം ഇനത്തിൽ സിമെന്റിനും രേഖകൾ കമ്പിക്കുമായി യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിയുടെ 2,10,000/-രൂപ

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,	ഓഡിറ്റിന്റെ പരിശോധനക്ക്	01.06.1999 മുതൽ 31.12.2004 വരെ ടിയാന്റെ കൈവശം	
	ഹാജരാക്കണം.	വച്ചത് മൂലം $12\%$ നിരക്കിൽ പലിശയിനത്തിൽ $1,40,700$ /-	
		 ത്രപ ഈടാക്കേണ്ടിയിരുന്നു.	
		ം ഓഡിറ്റ് വകുപ്പ് ഡയറക്ടർ 2016ലെ കത്തിലൂടെ സമർപ്പിച്ച	
		നൂക്ഷ്യ പരിശോധന കറിപ്പ്:	
		<u><b>ം മ</b> പ</u> "സർവകലാശാല നൽകിയ മറ്റപടിയിൽ ആർബിടീഷൻ	
		ഇനത്തിൽ ഉണ്ടായ 11,39,902/- രൂപ നഷ്ടം	
		ഈടാക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള നടപടികൾ സ്വീകരിച്ചതായുള്ള	
		വിവരമോ തിരികെ ഈടാക്കിയ വിവരമോ	
		ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തിയിട്ടില്ല.''	
		സമിതിയുടെ ശുപാർശ:	
		കാര്യവട്ടത്ത് ആർട്സ് ബ്ലോക്ക് II-ന്റെ നിർമ്മാണവുമായി	
		ബന്ധപ്പെട്ടു വ്യവസ്ഥകൾക്ക് വിരുദ്ധമായി കരാറുകാരന്	
		നൽകിയ ഇക തിരികെ ഈടാക്കിയ രേഖകൾ ഓഡിറ്റിനെ	
		ബോധ്യപ്പെടുത്തുന്ന മുറയ്ക്ക് ഓഡിറ്റ് തടസ്സം ഒഴിവാക്കുക.	
		ശരിയായ പഠനം ഇല്ലാതെ അടങ്കൽ തയ്യാറാക്കിയതിനാൽ	
		2599.83 m3 മണ്ണ വേല അധികം ചെയ്യേണ്ടിവന്നു.	
		പ്രവർത്തിയിൽ ബോധപൂർവ്വമായ വീഴ്ച വരുത്തിയ	
		കോൺട്രാക്ടർക്ക് പിഴ വരുത്തിയിട്ടില്ലാത്തതിനാലും അമിത	
		പ്രീണനം നൽകിയത് മൂലവും 2,15,100/- രൂപയുടെ	
		നഷ്ടമുണ്ടായി.	
	  കാര്യവട്ടത്ത് ഗോൾഡൻ ജൂബിലി	സർവകലാശാലയ്ക്ക് നഷ്ടമായ 2,15,100/- രൂപ ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട	
	ലൈബ്രറി കെട്ടിട നിർമ്മാണ പ്രവർത്തിയിൽ വീഴ്ച വരുത്തിയ ഇനങ്ങളിൽ	ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥരിൽ നിന്നും ഈടാക്കുവാനും revised എസ്റ്റിമേറ്റ്	
		അംഗീകരിച്ച രേഖകൾ ഹാജരാക്കാനും സമിതി നിർദ്ദേശിച്ചു.	
		ഓഡിറ്റ് വകുപ്പ് ഡയറക്ടർ $2016$ ലെ കത്തിലൂടെ സമർപ്പിച്ച	
	സർവകലാശാലക്കുണ്ടായ നഷ്ടമായ	സൂക്ഷ്മ പരിശോധന കുറിപ്പ്:	
55	1,91,200/- ബന്ധപ്പെട്ടവരിൽ നിന്നു ഈടാക്കിയതിന്റെ രേഖകൾ	"കെ യു എഫിന് ഉണ്ടായ നഷ്ടം 2,15,100/- രൂപയാണ്.	
	ഈടാക്കിയതിന്റെ രേഖകൾ ഓഡിറ്റിന്റെ പരിശോധനക്ക്	കരാറുകാരനിൽ നിന്നും 23,900/- രൂപ ഈടാക്കിയിട്ടുണ്ട്.	
	ഹാജരാക്കാൻ	ബാക്കി തുകയായ 1,91,200/- രൂപ KUF-ൽ ഒടുക്കുവാൻ	
		ബാക്കി നിൽക്കുന്നു."	
		സമിതിയുടെ <u>ശ</u> പാർശ:	
	6	ഗോൾഡൻ ജൂബിലി ലൈബ്രറി കെട്ടിടത്തിന്റെ ഒന്നാംഘട്ട	
		നിർമാണത്തോടനുബന്ധിച്ച് കരാർ പ്രവർത്തിയുടെ	
		ഡെപ്പോസിറ്റ് ഇക സർവകലാശാല എൻജിനീയറുടെ പേരിൽ പണയപ്പെടുത്തുവാനും സർവകലാശാലയ്ക്ക് നഷ്ടമായ	
		1,91,200/- രൂപ ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥനിൽ നിന്നും	
		1,91,200/- ശ്രവ ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട ഉദ്യോഗന്ധനിൽ നിന്തം ഈടാക്കുവാനം revised എസ്റ്റിമേറ്റ് അംഗീകരിച്ചതിന്റെ	
		ഈടാക്കുവാനും TEVISEU എന്റ്റ്റ്രമേറ്റ അംഗകരിച്ചതിന്റെ രേഖകൾ ഹാജരാക്കാനും സമിതി നിർദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നു.	
		സർവകലാശാല മരാമത്ത് വകുപിൽ ലഭ്യമായ രേഖകളം	

പ്രസ്തുത കത്തിന്റെ അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ സർവകലാശാല മരാമത്ത് വകുപ്പിൽ ലഭ്യമായ രേഖകളും വിവരങ്ങളും ലഭ്യമാക്കുവാൻ 05.09.2023 തീയതിയിലെ കത്ത് പ്രകാരം സർവകലാശാല എൻജിനീയറോട് ഈ കാര്യാലയത്തിൽ നിന്നും ആവശ്യപ്പെടുകയും എന്നാൽ പ്രസ്തുത ഖണ്ഡികകളുടെ മറുപടി സമർപ്പിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതാ ഒണന്നും ആയത് ബോധ്യപ്പെട്ട് ഓഡിറ്റ് പരാമർശം ഒഴിവാക്കിയിട്ടില്ലായെന്ന സാഹചര്യം കണക്കിലെടുത്ത് രജിസ്മാർ, ഫിനാൻസ് ഓഫീസർ എന്നിവരുടെ സാന്നിധ്യത്തിൽ ഒരു ചർച്ച നടത്തി മറുപടി തയ്യാറാക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള നടപടി സ്വീകരിക്കണമെന്നും സർവകലാശാല എൻജിനീയർ 20.09.2023 തീയതിയിലെ

മറ്റപടി കത്തിലൂടെ അപേക്ഷിച്ചിരുന്നു. അപ്രകാരം രജിസ്കാറുടെ അധ്യക്ഷതയിൽ രജിസ്കാർ ചേംബറിൽ വെച്ച് 30.09.2023 തീയതിയിൽ ഒരു യോഗം കൂടുകയുണ്ടായി.

മേൽ വിഷയങ്ങൾ യോഗം വിശദമായി ചർച്ച ചെയ്യുകയും ചർച്ചയിൽ വന്ന വസ്തുതകളുടെയും പരാമര് ശങ്ങളുടെയും അടിസ്ഥാനത്തിൽ കേരള നിയമസഭയുടെ ലോക്കൽ ഫണ്ട് അക്കൗണ്ട് സ് കമ്മിറ്റി (2021-23) -സമിതി(2016-19)യുടെ 23-ഠാമത് റിപ്പോർട്ടിലെ ഖണ്ഡിക നമ്പർ 46, 51, 55 എന്നിവയ്ക്കുള്ള ഉചിതമായ മറ്റപടി നൽകുവാനും യോഗം തീരുമാനിച്ചു.

രജിസ്കാറുടെ അധ്യക്ഷതയിൽ 30.09.2023 തീയതിയിൽ കൂടിയ യോഗത്തിന്റെ കരട് മിനുട്ട് സും അപ്രകാരം തയാറാക്കിയ കേരള നിയമസഭയുടെ ലോക്കൽ ഫണ്ട് അക്കൗണ്ട് സ് കമ്മിറ്റി (2021-23) - സമിതി(2016-19)യുടെ 23-ഠാമത് റിപ്പോർട്ടിലെ ഖണ്ഡിക നമ്പർ 46, 51, 55 എന്നിവയ്ക്കുള്ള കരട് മറുപടിയും ബഹ്ലം വൈസ് ചാൻസലറുടെ ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം പരിഗണനയ്ക്കായും അംഗീകാരത്തിനായും സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ സ്ഥിരം സമിതിയുടെ മുൻപാകെ സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

### Recommendation:

The Committee considered the minutes of the meeting held on 30.09.2023 at the Registrar's chamber and the draft report to be submitted to the Principal Secretary, Higher Education Dept. Also scrutinized the draft report prepared and submitted by the University Engineer before the meeting. (Copy appended)

To refer the item to the Syndicate, by recommending to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 30.09.2023 at the Registrar's chamber and the draft report to be submitted to the Principal Secretary, Higher Education Dept., prepared by the University Engineer.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

# ITEM NO.06.79.07 Construction of New Hostel for Men & ICCR Hostel at Kariavattom- reg. [Pl.G

An amount of Rs. 27 crore had been allocated in the State Budget of the Government for the year 2018-19, for the University under the scheme 'State Plan Grant'. The working group meeting of the Higher Education department held on 26.04.2018 had approved the annual plan proposals 2018-19 of the University and the Government of Kerala, vide G.O R(t) No. 995/2018/H.Edn dated 22.05.2018 have accorded administrative sanction for the same. An amount of Rs. 1.8 crore has been sanctioned for the construction of new Hostel building for Men & ICCR Students, Kariavattom. However only Rs.12.04 crore was released by the Government against the sanctioned Rs.27 crore Plan Grant.

As per U.O no. Pl.G/2305/SP 2018-19/2018 dated 15. 09.2020, sanction was accorded, to the verified estimate of KSHB submitted by the University Engineer, amounting to Rs. 3,18,77,791/-(Rupees three crore eighteen lakh seventy seven thousand seven hundred and ninety one only) for construction of New Hostel for Men & ICCR Students at Kariavattom campus, which includes 4.5% centage charge, 18% GST on centage charge and GST @12% on works. Accordingly a Memorandum of Understanding was executed between the University and Kerala State Housing Board, on 22.12.2020, for the construction of New Hostel for Men & ICCR Students at Kariavattom campus.

The site earmarked for the construction of New Hostel for Men and ICCR Students at Kariavattom, was changed twice due to some hindrances. Finally, the Syndicate held on 12.04.2022 had resolved to approve the proposal of new site -'the vacant land in the north block adjacent to the west side of the entrance to the Green field stadium' for construction of Men's & ICCR students' Hostel building at Kariavattom.

The meeting of the Advisory Committee held on 29.05.2023 for monitoring the progress of the projects "Construction of Staff Quarters, New Hostel for Men & ICCR Students and School of Communication & Information Science building at Kariavattom campus held a detailed discussion on the project and observed undue delay occurred in commencing the project of constructing a New Hostel for Men & ICCR Students at Kariavattom campus and recommended to drop the project. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.06.2023 (item no. 58.84) has considered the minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Committee held on 29.05.2023 and resolved to approve the above

recommendation of the Advisory Committee.

Later, as per the orders of the Registrar to seek specific rationale for dropping the project and review the same by the Legal Adviser, before issuing termination order, the University Engineer was requested to provide specific rationale for dropping the project. The University Engineer, vide letter dated 25.07.2023, has reported the following:

#### **Expenditure for the work:**

a. Payment made so far

Sl. no.	Agency for which payment made	Amount (Rs)	Remark
1	College of Engineering, Trivandrum	49560	Soil Investigation in first site
2	College of Engineering, Trivandrum	194700	Structural design in first site
3	College of Engineering, Trivandrum	111510	Soil test in second site
4	Mr. Sreekumar K.S, Contractor engaged by KSHB	131352	1st Part Bill
	TOTAL	4,87,12	22

b. Payment Expected

Sl.	Agency for which payment made	Amount (Rs)	Remark		
1	Mr. Sreekumar K.S, Contractor engaged by KSHB	16912	1 <sup>st</sup> part bill-balance for want of approval from University		
2	M/s KSHB	667774	Centage charge sanctioned vide U.O no. 4931/2021/UOK dated 21.09.2021		
3	M/s KSHB	10100	Site clearance vide U.O no. 4931/2021/UOK dated 21.09.2021		
4	College of Engineering Trivandrum	84370	Soil test in third site		
	TOTAL	7,79,156			

Regarding the construction work, the University Engineer has reported that the estimate for the work is prepared by KSHB by using Price Software in DSR 2016 with cost index 37.93% for Thiruvananthapuram and KSHB has tendered the work with the above DSR and awarded the same to the Contractor, Mr. Sreekumar K.S @ 3.90% above the estimate. The schedule has been revised to DSR 2018 with cost index 35.59% for TVM. Also, there is a possibility of upgradation of applicable DSR in near future, which may increase the project cost further. In view of the above, the University Engineer has remarked that it is desirable to proceed with the work 'Construction of New Hostel for Men and ICCR students at Kariavattom' through the contractor already engaged by KSHB, by requesting Plan fund from Government.

As the University Engineer has not provided any rationale for dropping the project but instead have stated arguments which in all probability will be raised by State Audit Department in future, the Registrar has ordered to obtain the remarks of the Legal Advisor's section on the legality of withdrawing from the MoU executed with an outside agency (M/s KSHB) for the construction work after the handing over of the site and if agreeable to drop the project.

Accordingly, the Legal Adviser, vide letter dated 13.09.2023 has remarked the following: "The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.06.2023 considered the minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Committee held on 29.05.2023 and resolved to approve the recommendation of the Advisory Committee to drop the project of constructing the new Hostel for Men & ICCR Students at Kariavattom campus on the ground of undue delay occurred in commencing the project.

Dropping the project at this stage may, as opined by the University Engineer lead to legal and other consequences. Spending of a substantial amount for soil investigation and structural design in the first and second site; preparation of Estimate for the work by the KSHB; tendering of the work to the Contractor; handing over the site etc. will amount to part-performance of the contract. Considering the part -performance of contract and absence of any fault on the contractor, it is desirable to proceed with the work through the Contractor already engaged by KSHB. The dropping of the project may result in audit objection by the State Audit Department in future. Dropping the project after executing the MoU with an outside agency and handing over the site, will amount to breach of contract, warranting initiation of legal

proceedings for compensation as against the University. In the circumstances, it is advisable to abstain from dropping the project and to proceed the work if possible.

On the other hand, if the decision is to abandon the project, should try for an amicable settlement with the party concerned by executing another MoU getting the University exonerated from any liability."

It may be noted that as per U.O.No.4931/2021/UOK dated 21.09.2021, sanction was accorded, for the payment of Rs. 6,67,774/- (Rupees Six lakh sixty seven thousand seven hundred and seventy four only) including GST @ 18% to the Kerala State Housing Board, Thiruvananthapuram, towards 50% of the centage charges, for the construction of new hostel for Men and ICCR students at Kariavattom. The Regional Engineer, KSHB, vide, letter dated 03.08.2023, has submitted the tax invoice in B2B format and the duly filled Hand Receipt amounting to Rs. 6,67,773.19/- (Rupees Six lakh sixty seven thousand seven hundred and seventy three and nineteen paise only) towards the 1st instalment of centage charge of package 1 (civil) for the work and requested to take urgent necessary action to effect the payment and the same has been forwarded to the University Engineer for further action.

Moreover, the Regional Engineer, vide letter dated 02.09.2023, received vide e-mail dated 04.09.2023 has informed the following:

- 1. The work order no. T-02/2021/C/HB dated 26.08.2021 was issued to KSHB for the project.
- 2. Accordingly, the agreement no. 12/2021-22 dated 15.09.2021 was executed between KSHB and the Contractor, concerned.
- 3. The first site was handed over to KSHB on 26.10.2021 and the stipulated time for the completion of work is 10 months from the date of handing over of hindrance fee site as per MoU.
- 4. Site clearance and earth work for footing were started, but soil structure was changed and KSHB couldn't continue the work as per the approved structural drawing.
- 5. As informed by the University, the work was stopped and KSHB has taken over the new site on 08.12.2022, for the project. But the construction has not yet been started in the new site.
- 6. As per the date of handing over of first site, the ToC expired on 21.10.2021 and draft Supplemental MoU for extension of ToC was submitted for approval and KSHB has not got the same till date.
- 7. The tax invoice in B2B format and duly filled Hand Receipt claiming the centage charge of the work was submitted to the University.
- 8. KSHB has taken over the work as per the schedule based on DSR 2016 with cost index 37.93% and the same is to be revised with current cost index as the work has yet not been started.
- 9. The University Engineer has informed KSHB that due to paucity of funds decision will be taken to stop the work temporarily. But KSHB has not received any official intimation regarding the stoppage of work.
- 10. If the work is to be dropped, further actions are to be taken by the University, for the consultancy charge/ payments to KSHB for the works already taken up by them.

In view of the above, the Regional Engineer has requested to communicate the decision regarding the execution of work.

As ordered by the Registrar urgent report was sought from the University Engineer. Now, the University Engineer, vide letter dated 29.09.2023 has remarked that the decision of the Syndicate is necessary to recast the estimate with current DSoR, that only if the University is go ahead with the project-" Construction of New Hostel for Men & ICCR Hostel at Kariavattom", and the matter may be placed before the Syndicate with request to order a meeting with the Regional Engineer, M/s KSHB so as to discuss the project, centage charge etc.

As per the orders of the Vice- Chancellor, the remarks offered by the University Engineer, as per letters dated 25.07.2023 and 29.09.2023 and the remarks furnished by the Legal Advisor as per letter dated 13.09.2023 regarding the execution of work " Construction of New Hostel for Men & ICCR Hostel at Kariavattom", are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

Recommendation:

To refer the item to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

ITEM NO.06.79.08

Construction of Volleyball court at Kariavattom Campus- Work entrusted with M/s COSTFORD- Request from the firm to release them from the work- consideration of- Reg.

[Pl.C]

The Syndicate at it's meeting held on 29.12.2022, vide item no. 50.84, has considered the budget proposal for setting up of Kalikkalam at Kariavattom Campus, and resolved to invite proposals from the Government Accredited Agency "Centre of Science and Technology for Rural Development (COSTFORD)" for said work.

Subsequently, the Syndicate at it's meeting held on 28.02.2023 vide item no.52.129.08, has resolved to approve the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) submitted by M/s COSTFORD for the setting up of Volleyball & Badminton Court at Kariavattom Campus and to execute MoU with M/s COSTFORD for the said work. Accordingly, U.O No 2744/2023/UOK dated 18.03.2023 was issued and MoU dated 29.04.2023 had executed with M/s COSTFORD and work order no. UE/DB2/28208 (1)/2023-24 dated 08.06.2023 was issued to M/s COSTFORD.

The University Engineer, vide letter no. UE/DB2/28208 (1)/2023-24 dated 07.08.2023, has informed that M/s COSTFORD requested advance payment as per the MoU dated 29.04.2023 and calculated the 20 % of the executed value of the work as Rs. 92,918/-. The University Engineer, has also informed that COSTFORD will take over the site only after obtaining the advance payment. But as per MoU the site has to be taken over by M/s COSTFORD within 10 days from the date of issue of technical sanction. The technical sanction has been issued on 08.06.2023.

The review meeting held on 21.08.2023 at the Syndicate room, has recommended to execute a supplementary agreement with M/s COSTFORD regarding handing over of the site and the time of completion as the work has not started. The meeting has also recommended to release the advance payment to the firm. It may be noted that, M/s COSTFORD has not yet been able to make supplementary agreement.

The Joint Director, COSTFORD vide letter No.GPR/CFD/09/2023-(67) dated 14.09.2023 has informed that technical sanction for the work was received only on 08.06.2023, they haven't received advance payment and the time of completion of the work is now expired. They also informed that the payment for the work of establishment of Sugathakumari Smrithivanam, another work entrusted with M/s COSTFORD, is also delayed. Therefore, M/s COSTFORD has requested to relieve them from the work of Setting up of Volleyball and Badminton Court at Kariavattom Campus.

Now, the University Engineer, vide letter no. UE/DB2/28208 (1)/2023-24 dated 20.10.2023, has remarked that M/s COSTFORD has failed to take over site of the work of construction of Volleyball court at Kariavattom campus as per work order no. UE/DB2/28208 (10)/ 2023-24 issued on 08.06.2023. The acknowledgement of handing over of site was therefore sent to them through registered post on 26.07.2023. But they have not commenced the work till date. The arguments made by them for their request to release them from the work of construction of Volleyball court is delay in getting payment for the work of establishment of 'Sugathakumari Smrithivanam' at Kariavattom Campus. Regarding this work, the 20 % advance was sanctioned vide U.O. No. 4705/2023/UOK dated 31.05.2023 and the CC 1st and part bill also passed for payment on 10.08.2023.

The UE has also reported that the work of establishment of 'Sugathakumari Smrithivanam' at Kariavattom Campus, was completed on 07.08.2023 and the final bill has already been prepared. But M/s COSTFORD has to produce the as built drawing and structural stability certificate for the fabricated umbrellas. They have not yet signed the bill documents. The final bill can be submitted on receipt of required documents from M/s COSTFORD.

As per clause 15 of the MoU it is stated that, if M/s COSTFORD fails to perform their part of the contract, the University will have liberty to terminate the contract at the risk and cost of COSTFORD, and also to impose penalty as appropriate for the non performance of the

terms and conditions of the agreement and to compensate any loss of damage caused to the University as per PWD manual.

The University Engineer has also informed that the request of M/s COSTFORD for releasing them from the responsibilities of executing the work of construction of Volleyball court on any ground may be decided at higher level as the work was entrusted with them based on the decision of the Syndicate and the MoU was executed between the Registrar and M/s.COSTFORD.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request of M/s COSTFORD to release them from the responsibilities of executing the work of construction of Volleyball court at Kariavattom Campus, and the remarks of the University Engineer, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for appropriate recommendation.

#### Recommendation:

To defer the item for the time being.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

# ITEM NO.06.79.09 Construction of dining hall for the new Girl's dormitory building at Kariavattom Campus-Proposal-Acceptance-Reg.

[*Pl.C*]

The University Engineer, vide letter no. UE/DB2/Girl's dormitory/3333/2013 dated. 19.10.2023 has informed that the construction of Girl's dormitory building for 138 students under KIIFB funding at Kariavattom Campus is in progress as a part of upgrading Kerala University into centre of Excellence in Academic and Research. It is stated that provision for dining hall is not included in the Girl's dormitory building by KSITIL.

In this regard, the University Engineer has prepared and forwarded two proposal along with the drawings for the construction of dining hall for the newly constructing Girl's Dormitory building at Kariavattom Campus, as per the suggestion of the Syndicate Members during site inspection.

#### PROPOSAL - 1

Construction of Dining Hall of area of 17.92 m X 6.55 m = 118m2 having seating capacity for 78 persons with provision for room and toilet facilities for Kitchen staff. It is proposed in the first floor of the existing dining hall of the SC Funded Women's Hostel located near the Girl's Dormitory under construction. Provision for a connecting passage for an approximate length of 100 m from the Girl's Dormitory to the SC Funded Women's Hostel building is also required.

#### PROPOSAL - 2

Construction of a new Dining Hall building for 52 seating capacity having an area of 78 m<sup>2</sup>. Provision for Kitchen area, room with toilet facilities for Kitchen staff are also included. The building is proposed at the rear side of the new Girl's Dormitory building under construction at Kariavattom Campus.

The University Engineer has reported that the construction of Girl's Dormitory is scheduled to be completed on June 2024 and hence the decision of dining hall may also be finalised along with that.

Hence, the University Engineer has requested that a decision regarding acceptance of proposal may be taken for preparing a detailed estimate.

As ordered by the Vice Chancellor, the aforesaid matter and the two proposals along with drawings for the construction of dining hall for the newly constructed Girl's Dormitory building at Kariavattom Campus, are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

#### Recommendation:

- 1. To entrust the members of the Syndicate to visit the newly constructing Girl's Dormitory building at Kariavattom Campus before the conduct of the next meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, so as to finalize the proposal for constructing dining hall for the building.
- 2. To refer the item to the next meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

# ITEM NO.06.79.10 Proposal for Establishing Geological Museum at Kariavattom campusreport sought by the Higher Education Department- reg.

[*Pl.G*]

The Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, vide letter no. B3/247/2023-HEDN dated 12.10.2023 has requested to furnish a report on the proposal of the Managing Director, VIVID Corporation Ltd.for establishing Geological Museum at Kariavattom campus.

#### The following may be noted in this regard:

• The details of the establishment of Geological Museum at Kariavattom campus are tabulated below:

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Fund	State Plan Grant (2012 & 2013)		
Amount	2 Crore		
WORK: CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDIN	IG		
Consultant	M/s.Iyer & Mahesh Architects,		
Consultant	Thiruvananthapuram		
Date of Completion	17.03.2020		
Expenditure	1.52 Crore		
WORK: INTERIOR AND LANDSCAPE V	VORKS OF GEOLOGICAL MUSEUM		
Consultant	Interactive Museum of Cultural History of Kerala		
Consultant	(Keralam Museum)		
Estimate amount for the preparation of DPR Rs. 4,18,900/- including GST @18%			
MoU executed with Keralam Museum on	26.03.2022		
Final presentation (by the Keralam Museum)	05.07.2022		
Approximate cost for the work as per DPR	4.5 crores		
WORK: CIVIL, ELECTRICAL & AIR (	CONDITIONING WORK AND NETWORKING		
WORKS IN THE GEOLOGICAL MUSEUM BUILDING (UTILIZING BALANCE FUND			
Estimate amount	Rs. 22,40,000/- including 18% GST (prepared by		
	the University Engineer)		
Administrative sanction U.O no. 4711/2023/UOK dated 31.05.2023			

#### **Present status:**

- 1. The Head, Department of Geology, Kariavattom, vide letter dated 31.10.2023 has informed that the display materials along with the furniture are being shifted to the newly constructed Geological Museum building.
- 2. The University Engineer, vide letter dated 30.10.2023 has informed that the tender notice for the work, fixing the last date of receipt of tender as 02.11.2023 has been published in the e-tender website, vide NIT no. AEE/DB1/(e-GP)/E40/2023-24 dated 20.10.2023.
- The Syndicate held on 07.07.2022, has resolved to approve the recommendation of the meeting of the Final Presentation by Kerala Museum authorities in connection with the interior & landscaping works for the Geological museum and rock garden, Kariavattom held on 05.07.2022 and further resolved to entrust the Pro-Vice Chancellor and Dr. E Shaji, Professor, Department of Geology to have a detailed discussion with Vision Varkala Infrastructure Development (VIVID) Corporation Ltd, regarding the establishment of Geological Museum & Rock Garden under the Department of Geology at Kariavattom campus, with financial support from VIVID and UNESCO Global Geopark.
- Accordingly, a meeting was held on 27.08.2022 with VIVID. The meeting recommended to forward a concept note with the financial out lay submitted by the Keralam Museum and incorporating a photograph of the Geological Museum building at Kariavattom and the document form of Video presentation made in the meeting with the Keralam Museum, held on 05.07.2022, to VIVID for presenting the same before the upcoming board meeting of

VIVID.

- The Syndicate held on 13.09.2022, resolved to approve the concept note and to forward the same to VIVID and wait for the outcome of the proposed meeting of VIVID with Hon'ble Chief Minister and to place the final report before the Syndicate. As per the Syndicate resolution, the concept note was forwarded to VIVID, on 26.09.2022, for placing the same before the board meeting of VIVID.
- The Managing Director, VIVID, vide letter dated 17.12.2022, has intimated that the proposal was placed before the Director Board meeting of VIVID Corporation held on 29.09.2022 and it was resolved to forward the proposal along with the concept note on Geological Museum to the Finance Department, Government of Kerala for further scrutiny and report. Also informed that further decision will be intimated as and when the report from the Government of Kerala is received.
- Thereafter, VIVID, vide letter dated 23.02.2023 has again informed that the file regarding the setting up a Geological Museum at Kariavattom campus is pending with the Government for clearance and VIVID will take immediate action on the matter once it is cleared at the Government level.
- As resolved by the Syndicate held on 09.06.2023, the Detailed Project Report, Bill of Quantity & Cost and Curatorial Narrative & Story line for the interior and landscaping of the Geological Museum and Rock Garden at Kariavattom campus, prepared by the Interactive Museum of Cultural History of Kerala (Keralam Museum), was forwarded to VIVID Corporation Ltd, vide this Office letter dated 06.07.2023, for submitting the same before the Government of Kerala seeking financial aid for the establishment of Geological Museum and Rock Garden at Kariavattom campus.

Meanwhile, the Head, Department of Geology, has submitted a proposal for granting permission to occupy the new Museum Building and to shift the samples and museum currently maintained by the Dept. to the new building on condition that the Dept. of Geology may accept the funds from VIVID once it is cleared at the Govt. level and further works can be executed at that time as per the Keralam Museum's final DPR.

The Syndicate held on 28.02.2023, has considered the proposal and resolved to approve the proposals for establishing Geological Museum and Rock garden in the Kariavattom campus, submitted by the Associate Professor & Head, Department of Geology. The Syndicate has further resolved to entrust the Head, Department of Geology to execute the preliminary works of interior and landscaping of Geological Museum as per the DPR prepared by the Interactive Museum of Cultural History of Kerala (Keralam Museum).

Based on the request of the Head, Dept. of Geology, the University Engineer, vide letter dated 24.04.2023, has submitted an estimate amounting to Rs. 22,40,000/- including 18% GST for civil, electrical and air conditioning work in the Geology Museum building. The Syndicate held on 26.04.2023, vide item no. 56.56, has resolved to approve the estimate. Thereafter, the University Engineer was requested, on 24.07.2023, to provide logical and technical support to the Department of Geology for shifting the display materials to the proposed museum and to complete the approved works and hand over the building at an earlier date for fixing the inauguration, as requested by the Head, Department of Geology, vide letter dated 14.07.2023.

Now, the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, vide letter no. B3/247/2023-HEDN dated 12.10.2023 has requested to furnish a report on the proposal of the MD, VIVID and forwarded the letter (no. 1/GL/2022-23/VIVID dated 06.12.2023) received from VIVID.

Contents in the letter of the VIVID to	Remarks of the Head, Department of
the Government	Geology on the proposal of the VIVID.
* Geopark Museum is an essential component for	1.The Department of Geology has already
the establishment of every UNESCO Geopark in	agreed as mentioned in the documents to
the world.	have an MoU with VIVID for jointly
* As part of the UNESCO Global Geopark at	establishing a Geological Museum in the
Varkala, VIVID has submitted a proposal for the	newly constructed building at Kariavattom
establishment of Geopark museum at the	campus.
University, Kariavattom campus by availing	

finance from the Union Ministry of Culture. \* The proposed area of the Varkala UNESCO Global Geopark is nearly 2000 Sq. km, starting from Varkala to Agastyamala and Kariavattom is one of the areas that comes within the project location.

- \* A building having nearly 10000 Sq ft area has already been constructed by the Department of Geology at Kariavattom campus and the University has intimated Expression of Interest to VIVID Corporation for sharing sufficient space at free of cost in the newly constructed building in the University campus to make it as a Geological Museum of Varkala UNESCO Geopark.
- \* The matter was discussed in the Director board meeting of the VIVID Corporation held on 29.09.2022 and suggested a High-Level Committee (HLC) comprising 6 members, out of which two members are from the University of Kerala, to look after the speedy implementation of the project. (Please note that Dr. P.P Ajayakumar, Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Dr. K.S Sajinkumar, Subject Expert are selected as the members of the HLC and the tenure of Dr. P.P Ajayakumar as Pro Vice-Chancellor has ceased.)
- \* The Director Board has further resolved to entrust the Managing Director, VIVID for forwarding the concept note of the project to the Finance Department for scrutiny.
- \* An outlay of Rs. 7.3 Crores is proposed for the establishment of the Geopark museum at Varkala UNESCO GLOBAL GEOPARK area.

2.The Department is willing to provide a space in the Geological Museum building to VIVID for establishing a Geopark at their own cost. However, the cost of the space to be given to VIVID may be decided at higher level as it is a policy decision.

3.The Managing Director, VIVID also agreed in the meeting held on 27.08.2022 to explore the possibility of full support for the implementation of DPR submitted by the Executive Director, Interactive Museum of Cultural history of Kerala (Keralam Museum).

As the report had to be submitted to the Government within a week from the date of receipt of the letter, an interim reply dated 08.11.2023, was submitted to the Higher Education Department, stating that the report is under preparation and will be submitted shortly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the matter of submitting a report on the proposal of the Managing Director, VIVID Corporation Ltd. for establishing Geological Museum at Kariavattom campus, along with remarks of the Head, Department of Geology is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

#### Recommendation:

- ii) To convene a meeting of the Syndicate members, Registrar, Head (Department of Geology) and VIVID, to discuss the matter of establishing Geological Museum at Kariavattom campus.
- iii) To entrust the Registrar in consultation with the Head, Department of Geology to submit a report on the proposal of the Managing Director, VIVID Corporation Ltd. for establishing Geological Museum at Kariavattom campus, to the Higher Education Department, Govt of Kerala, based on the outcome of the aforesaid meeting.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

[Pl.C]

In the Budget Estimates 2023-24, an amount of Rs. 2 Crore has been earmarked for the construction of new building for School of Management.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 23.09.2021, vide item no. 32.118 had resolved to entrust the construction of IMK building at Kariavattom Campus to CPWD and the Syndicate at its meeting held on 16.03.2022 resolved to approve the site adjacent to the Performing and Visual Arts Building.

Later, Memorandum of Understanding was executed with the Executive Engineer, CPWD, Trivandrum on 17.09.2022. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 14.10.2022 resolved to approve the fresh space requirement schedule submitted by the Professor & Head, IMK limiting the space for the proposed IMK building to 20,000 sqft and to inform CPWD for preparing the preliminary drawings for the work. Accordingly the CPWD submitted drawing having a total plinth area of 53000 sq.ft and carpet area 18610 sq.ft against the required 20,000 sq.ft. A meeting was convened by the Registrar on 11/7/2023 for discussing the preliminary drawings and CPWD was asked to revise the drawings to limit the carpet area to14,000 sq.ft.

After due deliberation, the Architect, CPWD, vide letter No. 21(1)/CA (Kochi)/ UOK/ IMK/ 2023/ 580-83 dated. 03.10.2023 had forwarded the revised preliminary drawings prepared based on the revised fresh space requirements submitted by the Professor & Head, IMK, vide letter no. IMK/30/2023/135 dated. 13.07.2023. The same was forwarded to the University Engineer for verification & offering remarks. Accordingly, the University Engineer, vide letter no. DB2/IMK/2023 dated. 02.11.2023 has verified the revised preliminary drawings submitted by CPWD with the requirements submitted by the Professor & Head, IMK.

The details of area including common area and service area are as follows"

Sl No.	Floor Level	Total Built up area (m2)	Porch area (M2)
1	Ground Floor Area	1308.39	70.63
2	First Floor	985.23	
	Total	2293.62 (24679.35 sq. ft)	70.63

The University Engineer has recommended to approve the above said preliminary drawings and to inform CPWD to take further action as per MoU.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the aforesaid matter and the revised preliminary drawings submitted by CPWD, vide letter dated. 03.10.2023 based on the revised space requirements submitted by the Professor& Head, IMK (Copy Appended) and the verification report of the University Engineer, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

#### Recommendation:

To refer the item to the Syndicate.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

# ITEM NO.06.79.12 Reconstruction of damaged compound wall adjacent to the nursery building at Kariavattom Campus- Estimate- Consideration of – reg.

[Pl.C]

The University Engineer, vide letter no. UE/DB2/RDCW-NB/2023-24 dated 03.10.2023, has forwarded an estimate for the reconstruction of damaged compound wall adjacent to the nursery building at Kariavattom Campus. The super structure of the existing compound wall at the left side of the nursery building has been damaged for a length of appropriately 38 m. The total estimate amount based on DSR 2018 and cost index 35.59 % comes to Rs.1,90,000/- (Rupees One Lakh and Ninety Thousand Only). The University Engineer has requested to accord administrative sanction debiting the expenditure in this regard from the head of account "Part I NP-MH-65- 10/5301- Minor works and maintenance".

The Finance has opined to obtain administrative sanction on the proposal for the said work.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the estimate amounting to Rs.1,90,000/- (Rupees One Lakh and Ninety Thousand Only) for the said work, submitted by the University Engineer, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate

recommendation.

#### Recommendation:

■ To approve and accord administrative sanction to the estimate amounting to Rs.1,90,000/-(Rupees One Lakh and Ninety Thousand Only) prepared based on DSR 2018 and cost index 35.59% and submitted by the University Engineer for the reconstruction of damaged compound wall adjacent to the nursery building at Kariavattom Campus, debiting the expenditure in this regard from the head of account "Part I NP-MH-65-10/5301- Minor works and maintenance".

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

#### ITEM NO.06.79.13

State Plan Grant - Transferring Unutilized funds sanctioned to the PD Accounts of Principal Investigators of various Projects & Head/Co-ordinator/ Director of Department/Centre/Inter University Centre to the PSTSB Account of the University – Non-completion of Projects and Compliance Certification – Proposals – Consideration of-reg.

[Pl.A1]

The Government vide Circular No. 1/2021/Fin dated 04/01/2021 and G.O.(P) No. 16/2023/FIN dated 20.02.2023, has directed to remit back the fund kept in the bank account of all offices including Government departments, grant in aid institutions, boards, autonomous bodies, etc, which was sourced from the State Budget on or before 31.03.2022, to its STSB/PSTSB accounts.

The Govt. vide Circular No. 32/2023/Fin dated 29.03.2023 & SS-1/91/2023/Fin dated 26.09.2023, has directed all Drawing and Disbursing Officers/Cheque issuing authorities to furnish a compliance report on the instructions laid down in the Government Order referred above to treasury along with the first bill/cheque of the next financial year 2023-24.

Accordingly, vide emails dated 30.03.2023, 04.04.2023, 03.10.2023 & 05.10.2023, all Heads/ Hon. Directors were directed to take urgent necessary steps to transfer the amount in PD Accounts of Principal Investigators of various Projects & Head/Co-ordinator/Director of Department/ Centre/I nter University Centre which are sanctioned under State Plan Grant on or before 31.03.2022, to the PSTSB Account of the respective Department/Centre.

The Finance Officer, vide Note dated 03.10.2023, asked to cross-check the certificates forwarded by various Heads of Departments and Hon. Directors of Centres/Inter University Centres, after remitting the unutilized funds sanctioned under State Plan Grant and kept in PD Accounts of various Principal Investigators, Heads/Hon. Directors/Coordinators of various Departments/Centres, in the newly opened PSTSB Accounts of the corresponding Departments/Centres.

Subsequently, the difficulties of the Planning Wing to carry out the verification, owing to the non-possession of bank records in connection with the expenditure incurred by various Principal Investigators and Heads/Directors/Coordinators to cross-check with the unutilized amounts given in the Certificates, was intimated to the Finance.

The Planning Wing made a suggestion that a dedicated Audit Team may be constituted by the Finance Officer, to carry out financial audit of various Projects sanctioned under State Plan Grant in each Department/Centre, in order to verify the details provided by the Departments/Centres are correct.

The Finance Officer, vide Note dated 04.11.2023 has informed that as per the Circular issued by Govt. dated 26.09.2023, a compliance certificate duly signed by the Head of the Institution needs to be submitted, along with Non-Plan and Plan Bills before the Department of Higher Education, and for this, confirmation from Planning Wing is required.

Consequently, as per the orders of the Registrar, all Heads/Hon. Directors were directed to forward a compliance certificate stating that no unutilized amount is kept in the Bank Account, in the requisite format, on or before 10.11.2023, vide email dated 07.11.2023.

The list of Departments/Centres that have forwarded the certification in this regard is appended in the file. It may be noted that Department of Physics, University Campus Library and 39 Centres/Inter University Centres have not furnished the Certification, even after repeated directions.

It may be noted that 40 Principal Investigators/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres are yet to regularise the Provisional Advance sanctioned to them under State Plan Grant in the previous years till 2021-22. It was the Provisional Advances that sanctioned under State Plan Grant are kept in the PD Accounts of Principal Investigators/ Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Centres.

A Final Reminder Letter was forwarded to 40 Principal Investigators/Hon. Directors/Coordinators of Departments/Centres vide Lr. dated 20.10.2023, requesting them to take necessary action to regularize the projects.

The Registrar has ordered to obtain remarks of the Finance Officer, with regard to the following proposals, put forward by the Planning Wing:

- (1) Whether steps may be initiated against the Heads/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/Centres who have (i) failed to transfer the amount released under State Plan Grant to the PSTSB Account of the corresponding Department/Centre, as stipulated by the Government (ii) failed to furnish the certification in requisite format
- (2) To instruct 40 Principal Investigators/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/Centres to complete the projects sanctioned under State Plan Grant till 2021-22, and to initiate regularisation process on or before 15.12.2023.
- (3) If para 2 be agreed to, and if Principal Investigators/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres are unable to complete the projects sanctioned till 2021-22, on or before 15.12.2023, they may be directed to surrender the Plan Fund to the PSTSB Account of the Finance Officer, so that funds can be used for settling pending payments. Subsequently, the Finance Officer has remarked the following:
  - (i) A compliance certificate duly signed by the Head of the Institution needs to be submitted to the government, failing of which may invite penal interest.
  - (ii) Audit Sections of Kariavattom and Palayam were directed to verify and report any remittances done on account of regularisation of Provisional Advance released from Plan Grants (2019-20 to 2023-24). Based on available records, an additional amount of Rs. 1.4 Crore was remitted to the PSTSB Account of the Finance Officer.
  - (iii) The process of verifying the records for the period from 2012-13 to 2018-19 is going
  - (iv) Many files regarding regularisation of Plan Funds are under processing and once the U.O. approving regularisation is issued, proper entry can be made in the Audit Volumes kept with Audit Sections and further verifications done.
  - (v) Now instructions have been issued to the Cash Counters not to accept the refund of Plan Funds which will ultimately be remitted to FO's Accounts with SBI.
  - (vi) Since Finance Wing is unable to identify all refunds, a Note was forwarded to Director (P&D) on 04.11.2023 to verify and cross-check the certificates already furnished by various HODs and Directors.

It may be noted that, the Finance Officer vide Notes dated 03.10.2023 & 04.11.2023, asked to cross-check the certificates forwarded by various Heads of Departments and Hon. Directors of Centres/ Inter University Centres, without any mention about refunds in connection with the Regularisation of completed Projects.

The Certificate forwarded by Heads of Departments and Hon. Directors of Centres/Inter University Centres are in connection with the transfer of funds parked in PD Accounts, sanctioned for various activities under State Plan Grant. It may clearly be noted that the transfer of fund to PSTSB Account does not mean the Principal Investigator/Director is taking initiative to regularise the Project.

It may also be noted that, the Planning Wing does not keep track of banking transactions in the PD Account of the Principal Investigators/Directors of Centres, for whom plan fund is released, for cross checking with the details forwarded by the HODs and Directors of Centres to ensure there is no balance fund is parked in those PD Accounts. The concerned Section has no other option but to rely the details of fund position forwarded by the faculties concerned.

In this context, the following proposals are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate, for consideration and recommendation:

- (1) To constitute a dedicated Audit Team by Finance Officer, to carry out financial audit of various Projects sanctioned under State Plan Grant in each Department/Centre, in order to verify the details provided by the Departments/Centres are correct and ensure that no plan fund is parked in PD Accounts.
- (2) Whether steps may be initiated against the Heads/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres who have (i) failed to transfer the amount released under State Plan Grant to the PSTSB Account of the corresponding Department/Centre, as stipulated by the Government and (ii) failed to furnish the certification in requisite format.
- (3) To instruct 40 Principal Investigators/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres to complete the projects sanctioned under State Plan Grant till 2021-22, and to initiate regularisation process on or before 15.12.2023.
- (4) If para 3 be agreed to, and if Principal Investigators/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/Centres are unable to complete the projects sanctioned till 2021-22, on or before 15.12.2023, they may be directed to surrender the Plan Fund to the PSTSB Account of the Finance Officer, so that funds can be used for settling pending payments.
- (5) If para 4 be agreed to, the Principal Investigators/ Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres who were unable to complete the projects sanctioned till 2021-22 and surrendered the Plan Fund to the PSTSB Account of the Finance Officer, may not be granted any projects under State Plan Grant henceforth, until further orders.

#### **Recommendation:**

- 1. To constitute an Audit Team by Finance Officer, to carry out financial audit of various Projects sanctioned under State Plan Grant in each Department/Centre, in order to verify the details provided by the Departments/Centres are correct and ensure that no plan fund is parked in PD Accounts.
- 2. To instruct 40 Principal Investigators/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres to complete the projects sanctioned under State Plan Grant till 2021-22, and to initiate regularisation process on or before 15.12.2023.
- 3. To direct the Principal Investigators/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres to surrender the Plan Fund to the PSTSB Account of the Finance Officer, so that funds can be used for settling pending payments, if they are unable to complete the projects sanctioned till 2021-22, on or before 15.12.2023.
- 4. Not to grant any projects under State Plan Grant henceforth to the Principal Investigators/ Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/Centres who fails to complete the projects sanctioned till 2021-22, until further orders.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023, be approved.

Item No.06.80

Referred to next Syndicate.

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Item No.06.81

Minutes of the meeting of the sub-committee constituted for monitoring the printing and publishing of the Planner 2024 held on 24.11.2023–Consideration of - Reg.

(Ad.Misc)

A meeting of the sub-committee constituted to monitor the printing and publishing of the Planner 2024 was convened on 24.11.2023 (Friday) at 1:00pm in the Syndicate room.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the minutes of the meeting of the sub-committee is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision

# Minutes of the meeting of the sub-committee constituted for monitoring the printing and publishing of the Planner 2024

Date & Time : 24.11.2023, 01.00 pm Venue : Syndicate Room

#### **Members Present: -**

Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Member Syndicate.Sri. R.Rajesh, Member Syndicate.Sd/-

#### **Officials Present:**

•Registrar Sd/•Finance Officer Sd/•Press Superintendent(i/c), KUP Sd/-

#### **Member Absent:-**

- •Dr. Shijukhan J.S, Member Syndicate.
- •Dr. S.Jayan, Member Syndicate.

The meeting of the Syndicate, held on 04.10.2023 vide item no. 04.77 has resolved to print and publish University Annual Planner 2024 through sponsorship and to constitute a committee consisting of Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Dr.Shijukhan J.S, Dr. S.Jayan, Sri. R.Rajesh, Members Syndicate for discussing the matters regarding the printing and publishing of Annual Planner 2024.

As per the resolution of the Syndicate, the committee members convened the meeting on 24.11.2023 at 01:00pm and the following recommendations were given-

- 1. To print Planner 2024 by inviting quotations as per store purchase rules.
- 2. To distribute executive style Planners to the Members, Syndicate/Statutory officers. The names of the respective Members, Syndicate/Statutory officers shall be embossed on the personal executive style Planner distributed to them.
- 3. To print 4000 copies of Planner 2024 including the executive copies.
- 4. To entrust the Registrar to hold discussions with the following Organizations regarding the sponsorship for the publication of Planner 2024.
  - i. Kerala Police Housing & Construction Corp Ltd.
  - ii. Indian Coffee House Kariavattom Campus.
  - iii. Kerala University Employees Co-operative Society(KUECS).
  - iv. Kerala University Housing Co-operative Society (KUHCS).
- 5. To entrust the Finance Officer to hold discussions with the following Organizations regarding the sponsorship for the publication of Planner 2024.
  - i. Kerala State Rubber Co-operative Ltd. (RUBCO).
  - ii. Artisans Development Co-operative Limited(ARTCO).
  - iii. Kerala State Electronics Development Corporation Limited(KELTRON).
  - iv. Kerala State Information Technology Infrastructure Limited (KSITIL).
- 6. To print the advertisement of the Organisations sponsoring the Planner 2024 according to the amount of sponsorship.
- 7. To entrust the Press Superintendent(i/c), KUP to invite quotations for printing Planner 2024 in accordance with same specifications of Planner 2023.
- 8. To entrust Director, Publication (i/c) to distribute Planner 2024 among the stakeholders.
- 9. To inform the Manager, SBI, KUOC branch Palayam to release the amount offered as sponsorship for printing and publication of Planner 2023 Immediately.

The Committee also recommended to place the minutes of the Sub-Committee meeting before the Syndicate for detailed discussion.

The meeting came to an end at 01.30 pm.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that above recommendation of the meeting of the sub-committee constituted for monitoring the printing and publishing of the Planner 2024 held on 24.11.2023, be approved.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to entrust the Finance Officer to Co-ordinate all organizations regarding the sponsorship for the publication of Planner 2024.

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Item No.06.82 Implementation of Four Year UG Programmes in the affiliated Colleges from the academic year 2024-2025 –Consideration of- reg.

(Ac.AV)

Kerala State Higher Education Council forwarded a report on the Curriculum Framework for introducing Four Year UG Programme in the University vide email dated 11.05.2023. The

Syndicate held on 09.06.2023 considered the same and resolved to start Four Year UG Programme (FYUGP) as a pilot project in the University Department/Centres during the Academic Year 2023-2024 and to introduce the same in the affiliated Colleges w.e.f the academic year 2024-2025. Accordingly, BA Honours (Politics and International relations/ Economics/ History) with Research has been started in the University Department, Kariavattom.

With regard to the implementation of FYUGP in the Affiliated Colleges, a preliminary meeting was conducted at CLIF, Kariavatton on 28.06.2023 to discuss roll out and implementation of FYUGP. On 06<sup>th</sup> July 2023, a meeting of the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education with the Academic Bodies of the University has been held at Senate Hall for discussion with academic community where in various aspects have been discussed regarding the implementation of the Four Year UG Programme. Further, sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor to constitute a Core Committee with Registrar as Convener and representatives of the Syndicate, Statutory Officers, Academic Council, Deans, teachers of Affiliated Colleges and external experts from KSHEC as members and a U.O has been issued vide No. 32912/AcAV/2023/UoK dated 22.08.2023 for the same. The Core Committee is entrusted with the over all coordination for the time bound implementation of the Programme.

A meeting of the Core Committee with the Chairpersons of the Board of Studies has been convened on 25.08.2023, and a plan of action was charted with a view to implement the programme from the next academic year finalising the University Level Curriculum Framework, Regulation and Syllabus for the Programme in a time bound manner. Further, separate subcommittees have been constituted for framing University Level Curriculum Framework, University Level Regulation and for developing Foundation Courses entrusting the Conveners Dr.Manoj.T.R, Dr.Soju.S and Dr.Bijukumar.K to prepare the draft Curriculum Framework & Regulations and develop foundation Courses. The Subcommittee for framing University Level Curriculum Framework, Regulation and developing foundation Courses held their meetings on 03rd, 06th and 10th October 2023 respectively with the Core Committee in which the conveners concerned presented the draft Curriculum framework and Regulation and various aspects were put into discussion. Besides, informal meetings at different levels have been convened within the respective subcommittees for discussing the clauses in the draft Curriculum Framework and Regulation before finalisation. Following these, a Combined meeting of the Subcommittees and Core Committee was held on 31.10.2023 wherein a final University level Curriculum Frame Work and Regulation has been presented by the respective conveners.

In order to impart training to the faculties of the Colleges with the various aspects of new curriculum, Master trainers were identified by including members of the Core Committee, Subcommittees and Board of Studies. A two day Curriculum Workshop for the Master trainers was conducted on  $03^{rd}$  and  $04^{th}$  November 2023 by the Kerala State Higher Education Council.

It is desirable to obtain valuable suggestions /inputs from various stakeholders such as Principals of colleges, Managers of Educational Agency, Students/ Teachers Organizations etc prior to the finalisation of the Curriculum Frame Work and Regulation. Further, Curriculum Workshop/ Training programme is to be conducted for the members of the Board of Studies for familiarising the same and provide adequates assuring their in depth participation for framing the Syllabus. Also, a College Level Training needs to be provided for the Faculties for familiarising them with the Regulations and Syllabus for the Four Year UG Programmes.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the following proposals are therefore placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

- Draft Curriculum framework and Regulations of the FYUGP proposed to be implemented from 2024- 2025 in affiliated Colleges has to be discussed with the stake holders such as Principals of colleges, Managers of Educational Agency, Students/ Teachers Organisations etc.
- 2. Workshop for Board of Studies for identifying Courses and Preparation of Syllabus has to be conducted as 5 Days' Residential Programme regionwise, preferably in affiliated Colleges with adequate facilities for conducting the Programme.
- 3. Subject Coordinators have to be identified for each Board of Studies for the conduct of the Workshop in association with the respective Chairperson of the Board for fixing a convenient

- Venue providing other facilities including food and accommodation.
- 4. Subject Coordinators in consultation with Chairman, Board of Studies may include participants other than the members of the Board of Studies such as external/ Subject Experts in the Workshop.
- 5. An online discussion with the Experts from the Industries, academicians within the State and International academic fellows especially Nobel laureates and other eminent Emeritus professors, may be conducted before the finalisation of the Syllabus and facilities for the same may be provided in the Venue of the Workshop.
- 6. Training may be imparted by the University to all Chairmen of Board of Studies and Subject Coordinators on the University Level Curriculum Frame Work, Regulation and Outcome Based Education before the commencement of the Workshop.
- 7. One Convener and Joint Convener may be deputed for the overall coordination of the conduct of the entire Programme.
- 8. A fixed amount may be earmarked for the conduct of the workshop of each Board of Studies, allocating the same to the respective Chairman of the Board of Studies, who shall submit bills and vouchers immediately after the conduct of Workshop.
- 9. OBE based draft Syllabus for the entire FYUG Programme shall be prepared by the end of the five day Workshop with Model Question Papers.
- 10. Regionwise Training may be imparted to the faculty of all Affiliated Colleges/Centres under the University on the Curriculum, Regulation and Syllabus.
- 11. Panel of trainers for imparting training to the faculty of College/Centres has to be prepared and region wise Coordinators may be identified for the training programme.
- 12. The residential Workshop and Training Programme may be conducted by the IQAC and the fund for the same may be met by the IQAC.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above proposals be agreed to.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to nominate Prof (Dr.) K. Bijukumar, M.G. College, Thiruvananthapuram as Co-ordinator of the Syllabus Revision Workshop and Dr. Prince P.R., University College, Thiruvananthapuram, Dr. Soju.S., S.N. College, Sivagiri as Joint Coordinators. Also approved the list of subject coordinators. (list appended)

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the matter of providing financial assistance for residential Workshop and Training Programme be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

#### Item No.06.83

Change of the Manager at Christian College, Chengannur, Alappuzha–Reporting of -reg.

(Ac.BII)

The Principal, Christian College, Chengannur, Alappuzha, vide the letter dated 14.11.2023 has informed that Rt. Rev. Dr. Euyakim Mar Coorilos Suffragan Metropolitan is the Manager of Christian College, Chengannur w.e.f. 01.11.2023. Also the Principal forwarded the letter from the former Manager, Christian College, Chengannur. In this letter he stated that the Most Rev Dr.Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan supreme head of Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian church had appointed Rt. Rev. Dr. Euyakim Mar Coorilos Suffragan Metropolitan as the Manager of Christian College Chengannur in his place with effect from 01.11.2023.

Statute 19(2), Chapter 24 of KUFS 1977 provides that "All changes in the membership of the Governing Body or the Managing Council and all appointments, transfers, promotions, demotions or dismissals of Teachers of the Colleges with name, qualification and designation shall forthwith be reported to the Syndicate."

Accordingly, the matter regarding the appointment of Rt. Rev. Dr. Euyakim Mar Coorilos Suffragan Metropolitan, was assigned as Manager of Christian College Chengannur is hereby reported to the Syndicate.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.84

St. John's College, Anchal- Approval of the appointment of Dr. Nisha Thomas, Associate Professor of Zoology as DDO of St. John's College, Anchal, for the Second term- Orders issued- Reporting of reg.

(Ac.F1)

The University, vide U.O No.Ac.F1/6683//2023/UOK dated 31.07.2023, had approved the appointment of Dr.Nisha Thomas, Associate Professor of Zoology, as DDO of St.John's College, Anchal for a period of three months (First term) w.e.f 11.07.2023 FN.

On request of the Manager, M.S.C Colleges, Thiruvananthapuram, Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to extend the period of appointment of Dr.Nisha Thomas, Associate Professor of Zoology, as DDO of St.John's College, Anchal, for a further period of three months for the second term, w.e.f 11.10.2023, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

University Order No.8558/ 2023/UOK dated 12.10.2023 was issued accordingly.

The above appointment of the DDO is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.85

M.S.M College, Kayamkulam - Appointment of Dr. A Muhammed Thaha, Professor of Arabic as Principal- in -Charge - Request for approval regarding.

(Ac.F1)

The Manager Cum Secretary, M.S.M College, Kayamkulam forwarded the proposal for the appointment of Dr. A Muhammed Thaha, Professor of Arabic as Principal-in-Charge of M.S.M College, Kayamkulam w.e.f 01.09.2023 F.N.

The University had approved the appointment of Dr. A Muhammed Thaha as D.D.O of M.S.M College, Kayamkulam for five consecutive terms of three months duration w.e.f 01.06.2022. As per statutes 21-Principal responsibilities of chapter 24 of Kerala University first statutes 1977,"in the absence of Principal, the senior most Professor or in his absence the senior most lecturer of the college shall be in charge of the duties of the Principal".

The Educational agency has informed that Dr. A Muhammed Thaha, one of the senior teaching staff (5<sup>th</sup> position) is eligible to be appointed as Principal in Charge of the college as Dr.Rubeena S, Dr.Govind R and Smt.Sajitha B, the teachers in I, II and IV positions have relinquished the post of Principal in Charge and Dr.Razia K I, who is in the III position is on deputation as Assistant Director of Physical Education, University of Kerala.

In this context, as per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the proposal for the approval of the appointment of Dr. A Muhammed Thaha, Professor of Arabic as Principal-in-Charge of M.S.M College, Kayamkulam w.e.f 01.09.2023 F.N against the retirement vacancy of Dr.Bhadrakumari. S, Principal of M.S.M College, Kayamkulam retired on 31.05.2022, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to defer the item for the time being.

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Item No.06.86

Santhom Malankara Arts & Science College Edanji, Thiruvananthapuram -Appointment of Dr. Vibin Bernad R, Assistant Professor in Syriac as D.D.O (Eighth term) - Approval of – reg.

(Ac.F1)

The Manager, Santhom Malankara Arts & Science College Edanji, Thiruvananthapuram has requested to approve the appointment of Dr. Vibin Bernad R, Assistant Professor of Syriac as D.D.O of the college for the eighth term comprising of three months w.e.f 28.10.2023.

It may be noted that University had given approval for the appointment of Dr.Vibin Bernad.R., Assistant Professor of Syriac as Drawing and Disbursing Officer of Santhom Malankara Arts & Science College Edanji, Thiruvananthapuram for seven consecutive terms of three months duration with effect from 28.01.2022 FN. The Educational agency has already initiated the

Selection process for the appointment of a regular Principal atSanthom Malankara Arts & Science College Edanji, Thiruvananthapuram, via direct recruiment.

As per the Norms and Procedure for the selection of teachers for appointment in private Affiliated Colleges amended UO NoAcFV/50501/2013 dated 02/05/2014 "In exceptional cases the Vice-Chancellor may approve the appointment of any member of the teaching staff of a College as Drawing and Disbursing Officer on request from the Educational Agency subject to a maximum of three months for reasons to be recorded.It shall not be granted for more than three consecutive terms".

In the light of the above mentioned facts, as per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the proposal for the approval of the appointment of Dr.Vibin Bernad R, Assistant Professor of Syriac as Drawing & Disbursing Officer of Santhom Malankara Arts & Science College Edanji, Thiruvananthapuram for the eighth term comprising of three months w.e.f 28.10.2023, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above proposal be agreed to.

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Item No.06.87

M.S.M College, Kayamkulam - appointment of DDO - order issued-Reporting of -reg.

(Ac.F1)

On request of the Manager Cum Secretary, M.S.M College, Kayamkulam, sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor for the approval of the appointment of Dr. Muhammed Thaha A, Professor of Arabic as Drawing & Disbursing Officer of M.S.M. College Kayamkulam for the sixth term comprising of three months w.e.f 01.09.2023, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. University Order No.7906/2023/UOK dated 20.09.2023 was issued accordingly.

The above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.88

T.K.M College of Arts and Science, Kollam - Dr.Chithra Gopinath, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry as DDO (Fourteenth term)-Approval - reg.

(Ac.F1)

The Manager, T.K.M College of Arts & Science, Kollam, has requested to approve the appointment of Dr. Chithra Gopinath, Assistant Professor of Chemistry as DDO of the College for a further period of three months w.e.f 26.11.2023 (Fourteenth term).

It may be noted that the University had given approval for the appointment of Dr. Chithra Gopinath as DDO for the Thirteenth term w.e.f 26.08.2023 vide U.O No. 7905/2023/UOK dated 20.09.2023

As per the norms and procedures for the selection of Teachers for the appointment in Private affiliated Colleges vide ammended U.O No AcFV/50501/2013 dated 25/02/2014 "In exceptional cases the Vice -chancellor may approve the appointment of any member of the teaching staff of a college as Drawing and Disbursing officer on request of Educational Agency subject to maximum period of three months for reasons to be recorded. It shall not be granted for more than three consecutive terms".

In this context it may be noted that the Educational agency has already initiated the selection process for the appointment of a regular Principal at T.K.M College Kollam. The University had nominated Experts for constituting Selection committee for the selection of Principal in the month of October 2022. But till date, no communication/report has been received either from the Educational agency or from the subject Experts regarding the conduct of Selection Committee. The Educational Agency has informed that the proposal for the Government nominee to the selection committee for the appointment of Principal is pending before the Government. Now the Government vide letter no.D2/383/2023/H.Edn Dated 06.11.2023 has nominated the Government representative to the Selection Committee for the selection of Principal at TKM College of Arts & Science.

In the light of the above mentioned facts, as ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the proposal

regarding the extension of the term of appointment of Dr.Chithra Gopinath, Assistant Professor of Chemistry as DDO of T.K.M College of Arts & Science Kollam, for the Fourteenth term, comprising of three months, w.e.f 26.11.2023, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate decision.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the above proposal be agreed to.

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Item No.06.89

Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara - Appointment of Dr.Ranjith Mathew Abraham, Associate Professor in Economics as D.D.O- Approved SRS - Order issued-Reporting of- reg.

(Ac.F1)

As per the request of the Manager, Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara, sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor for the approval of the appointment of Dr. Ranjith Mathew Abraham, Associate Professor in Economics as Drawing and Disbursing Officer of Bishop Moore College, Mavelikara, for a period of three months w.e.f. 01.10.2023 F.N for the third term term, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

University Order No.8106/2023/UOK Dated 28.09.2023 was issued accordingly. The above matter is reported to the Syndicate.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having accorded sanction as detailed above, be noted.

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Item No.06.90

Judgment in WP(C) No. 20170/2023 filed by Sri.D.S Santhosh Kumar and the Orders in the subsequent Review Petition No.1166 of 2023 dated 22.11.2023 - Further course of action to be taken- Consideration of-reg.

(Ad.A1)

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala vide Judgment dated 10.10.2023 in WP(C) No. 20170/2023 filed by Sri.D S Santhosh Kumar, has ordered that - "There will be a direction to respondents 1 and 2 to consider the recommendation for promotion of the petitioner as contained in Ext.P22 (Minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.06.2023) and promote the petitioner to the post of Joint Registrar. Exts.P 24 and P25 (orders dated 12/06/2023) to the extent they deny promotion to the petitioner and promotes his juniors i.e.; respondents 4 to 6, to the post of Joint Registrar, are found to be not in accordance with the law, and the respondents 1 & 2 are directed to pass orders including the petitioner above his juniors in the list of persons promoted. Necessary orders shall be issued within three weeks from the date of receipt of a certified copy of this judgment."

On seeking clarifications with regard to the implementation of the above orders, the Standing Counsel, vide email dated 17.10.2023, has opined that:-

- a. "The steps taken by the University resulting in denial of promotion as Joint Registrar for which the petitioner is otherwise eligible is without following the procedure contemplated for initiating disciplinary action. *The finding in the judgment cannot be rebutted either on facts or law.* 
  - Hence there is no scope for appeal against the judgment.
- b. When the denial of promotion is found to be an incorrect step, the same has to be granted with retrospective effect.
- c. Regarding the enquiry resolved by the Syndicate held on 9.6.23, I opine that that in the backdrop of the captioned judgment there is every likelihood of the enquiry being considered as an unwarranted action. Hence it is only fair and proper to close the enquiry in the light of 59591/Ad A I/2023/UOK the observations/findings of the Hon'ble High Court particularly since the details of the incident leading to the enquiry have also been discussed in the judgment. Hence continuance of the enquiry will be inappropriate."

On perusal of the Judgment dated 10.10.2023 and the subsequent legal opinion tendered by the Standing Counsel vide email dated 17.10.2023, the Vice Chancellor has ordered to file a Review

Petition seeking clarifications on the legal aspect with regard to the continuance of the ongoing formal Inquiry proceedings in accordance with the Statutory provisions; which are underway against the incumbent as per the resolution of the Syndicate held on 09.06.2023; since based on the report of the three Member Committee of the Syndicate, the Syndicate, being the appointing authority of Sri.D S Santhosh Kumar, has contemplated disciplinary action for imposing major penalty against him and the formal inquiry as per the statutory provisions is progressing.

Accordingly, a Review Petition was filed before the Court and the Hon'ble High Court, vide Order dated 22.11.2023 in the Review Petition No. 1166 of 2023 against the judgment in WP(C) 20170/2023 has clarified that - "The court has not considered the correctness or otherwise of the disciplinary action that is pending and the only aspect considered was whether the promotion can be denied anticipating a disciplinary action. It is further clarified that judgment will not in any manner affect the continuance of the disciplinary action and taking it to the logical end".

In the light of the Judgment dated 10.10.2023 in WP(C) No.20170/2023 filed by Sri.D.S.Santhosh Kumar, the subsequent legal opinion tendered by the Standing Counsel and the Order dated 22.11.2023 in the Review Petition No. 1166 of 2023 against the judgment in WP(C) 20170/2023, the matter was submitted for orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor regarding the further course of action to be taken for complying with the Judgment dated 10.10.2023 of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No. 20170/2023.

Meanwhile, Sri.D S Santhosh Kumar, Deputy Registrar, has filed a Contempt of Court case with CC(C) No. 2666/2023 dated 24.11.2023 in WP(C)No.20170/2023; which has been received in the University on 24/11/2023; stating deliberate and wilful disobedience on the part of the University in carrying out the directions of the Hon'ble High in the judgment in WP(C) 20170/2023, by not considering the recommendation for his promotion & promoting him to Joint Registrar and not passing orders including him above his juniors in the list of persons promoted vide U.O. No. Ad.AI/5026/2023/UOK dated 12/06/2023.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the entire matter is placed before the Syndicate for consideration

### Resolution of the Syndicate

The Syndicate considered the Judgment of the Hon'ble High court dated 10.10.2023 in WP(C) No. 20170/2023 and the Order dated 22.11.2023 in the Review Petition No. 1166 of 2023 against the judgment in WP(C) 20170/2023 and **RESOLVED** to comply the Judgment dated 10.10.2023 of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No. 20170/2023 and the Order dated 22.11.2023 in the Review Petition.

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to promote Sri.D.S. Santhosh Kumar, Deputy Registrar to the post of Joint Registrar notionally above his juniors by protecting the seniority in the list of persons promoted as per U.O. No. Ad.AI/5026/2023/UOK dated 12/06/2023.

**ALSO RESOLVED** to continue the on going formal Inquiry proceedings in accordance with the Statutory provisions against the incumbent and complete the same immediately.

**ALSO RESOLVED** to submit a detailed proposal for promotion and posting of the incumbent by making relevant modifications in U.O. No. Ad.AI/5026/2023/UOK dated 12/06/2023.

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Item No: 06.91 Referred to next Syndicate

Item No: 06.92 With reference to the proposed KIIFB project, "Establishment of Than

With reference to the proposed KIIFB project, "Establishment of Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics", the sequence of events in respect of the project since submission of the proposal, in chronological order is detailed below

(Planning F)

1) The University had submitted a preliminary proposal with a total financial outlay of Rs. 88 Crores for five years to the Government of Kerala for the establishment of a world class research centre named 'Thanu Padmanabhan Inter University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics' as a memorial to Prof. Thanu Padmanabhan, renowned theoretical physicist and cosmologist, on November 2021.

- 2) The Government, vide G.O (Rt) No.576/2023/HEDN dated 20.04.2023 granted in-principle approval to set up Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics in the University of Kerala by utilizing KIIFB funds.
- 3) The 57<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Syndicate held on 20.05.2023 resolved to initiate steps for establishing the Centre and to entrust the University Engineer (vide item no: 57.56) to identify the space for allocating 'Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics'
- 4) Accordingly the site inspection report and site plan submitted by the University Engineer to locate the Centre of Excellence near the Vice Chancellor's quarters was approved by the 59<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Syndicate held on 27.06.2023 (vide item no: 59.160.11). It was also resolved (vide item no:59.92) to entrust CPWD to prepare the DPR in consultation with Dr.R.Jayakrishnan, Honorary Director, Astronomical Observatory. The same was communicated to CPWD vide letter dated 20.07.2023 and the matter was discussed with CPWD Officials in the presence of the Registrar, Dr. R. Jayakrishnan, Honorary Director, Astronomical Observatory and the University Engineer at Kariavattom Campus on 01/08/2023.
- 5) Since the amount sanctioned to the University was not specified in the G.O dated 20.04.2023, a letter was sent to the Higher Education Department on 22.06.2023, seeking clarity on the funding.
- 6) Subsequently, in an online meeting convened by the Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, attended by the Registrar and the Honourable Vice Chancellor on 16.08.2023, it was asked to limit the funding requirement for recurring expense to within 10% of the total non recurring expense so as to cover the recurring expenses for the first year. Accordingly, revised budget statement was sent to the Higher Education Department.
- 7) Now the Government, vide G.O.(Rt)No.1318/2023/HEDN Dated, 23-08-2023 has accorded administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.57.112 crores (Out of which 52 crores shall be for non recurring expenses and 5.112 crores for recurring expenses for the First Year) for establishment of Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics in the campus of University of Kerala by utilizing KIIFB funds.
- 8) On enquiring with the CPWD officials, it was informed that a detailed proforma of requirements for the proposed building is required for them to start working on the DPR. Considering the exigency, an indicative list of requirements had been prepared and forwarded to CPWD on 05.09.2023 to start working on the DPR.
- 9) Since there had been no further communication from CPWD after forwarding the proforma, the University Engineer and the Director (P&D) visited the Chief Engineer, CPWD on 25.09.2023 to discuss the matter. Subsequently, a letter (dated 27.09.23) was sent to the University from the Office of the Chief Engineer expressing the following concerns
  - a) regarding the conflicts in policies of CPWD and KIIFB-- the delays in making payment to contractor on account of the same in KIIFB funded projects being executed by CPWD
  - b) the difficulties in executing the work due to the specialized nature of work.

The University Engineer had submitted a report based on the letter. Based on the report, a letter was sent to the Chief Engineer, CPWD informing him that since KIIFB is the funding agency for the project, deviation from KIIFB norms will not be feasible and requesting clarification regarding the willingness to execute the work of completion of DPR within a maximum period of 5 weeks.

In reply to this letter, CPWD vide letter dated 05.10.2023 had informed that the work will be accepted only with conditions of deposit as per CPWD works manual 2022.

10) In a review meeting convened by the KIIFB, attended by the Registrar and other officials, it was suggested by the Senior General Manager, KIIFB that in case the project is stuck in a deadlock with CPWD, the SPV may float an Expression of Interest at national/international level to suit the expectations and demand of the project, which was reiterated in the meeting chaired by the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education, Govt of Kerala dated 11/10/2023. Pending receipt of the Minutes of the Meeting at the KIIFB, the Syndicate held on 12/10/2023 was appraised of the aforementioned recommendations from KIIFB and the Higher Education Department.

- 11) The Syndicate at its meeting held on 12/10/2023 (w.r.t Item No.05.51.E6) resolved to invite Expression of Interest on National level for the preparation of DPR for establishment of Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics in the campus of University of Kerala and further resolved to entrust the University Engineer to invite Expression of Interest on National level for the preparation of DPR.
- 12) A letter dated 10/10/2023 from the Office of the Chief Architect was received in the University on 16/10/2023, stating that they will be able to take up the work, if all the technical details of Skywatch auditorium and research laboratories are furnished in accordance to the working model.
- 13) Now, CPWD vide letter No 23(1) 124/CE-T/2023/973 dated 26/10/2023 has informed that if all terms and conditions of deposit rule as per CPWD Works Manual 2022 is adhered then only the CPWD will able to take up the work or else the CPWD does not have any reservation on entrusting the work to any one else. If client department is still willing then CPWD shall take up the work, and the consent for following CPWD Works Manual and deposit rule as conveyed, may be sent within next three days.
- 14) The matter was brought to the attention of the Vice Chancellor and a meeting was convened on D 01.11.2023 to discuss a timeline for DPR preparation. It was decided to direct the Executive Engineer to forward the format for MoU on 02.11.2023 and to entrust College of Engineering to perform the soil test. It was also proposed to convene an online meeting with the Chief Engineer, CPWD on 03.11.2023 and take a final call with regard to the DPR preparation work.
- 15) In the meeting dated 03.11.2023, the Vice Chancellor urged the Chief Engineer to specify an appropriate timeline for completion of the DPR for the project. The Chief Architect, CPWD informed that once all details are provided, at least a month's time is required to complete the Architectural drawings. The Registrar and the Director, Planning observed that as per KIIFB procedure, apart from Architectural drawings, structural drawings, Mechanical and Electrical drawings, GRIHA and KSECBC compliance etc. are required at the time of submission of DPR for appraisal. The Chief Engineer informed that at least 6 months will be required for CPWD to complete the DPR.
  - The Vice Chancellor in his concluding remarks in the meeting advised that the timeline, terms of payment and procedure for preparing the DPR be communicated to the University in writing so that the University can take an appropriate decision based on the same.
- 16) Accordingly, the Chief Engineer in his letter dated 03.11.2023 has detailed the sequence of activities for preparation of DPR. It has been informed that the whole procedure is expected to take not less than 6 months from the sanction of enabling estimate, after signing of MoU. After approval of DPR, further 3 months will be required for Technical Sanction, preparation of NIT, tendering and award of Work. The terms of payment has also been specified that CPWD shall demand 33.33% of the estimated cost of work or 10% of the estimated cost of work be deposited in advance at the time of issue of A/A & E/S and balance amount that is 23.33% of the cost be deposited before award of work. Thereafter expenditure shall be reimbursed through monthly bills.

In the above circumstances, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the sequential order of events relating to the "Establishment of Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics" before the Syndicate for consideration.

Accordingly, the matter is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation on the Following

a) whether to proceed with executing the MoU with CPWD for the work,"Establishment of Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics" in view of the timeline of 6 months specified for preparation of DPR and commencement of the work, considering that the GO sanctioning the project stipulates that the DPR has to be placed before the next KIIFB Board (to be held tentatively in January 2024) for approval. (It may be noted that, if it is decided to proceed with the MoU execution with CPWD, concurrence from KIIFB may be required as to whether the payment terms specified in the MoU by CPWD is acceptable to KIIFB.)

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b) to proceed with the resolution of the Syndicate held on 12/10/2023 videitem no.05.51.E6, to invite a national level expression of interest for identifying a suitable firm as PMC for the project and for preparation of the DPR.

# Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to entrust the University Engineer to invite a national level Expression of Interest (EOI) for identifying a suitable firm as PMC for the project, "Establishment of Thanu Padmanabhan Centre of Excellence in Astronomy and Astrophysics" and for preparation of the DPR.

Item No.06.93 - 06.105 Referred to next Syndicate

Item No.06.106

Reappointment of Prof. (Dr.) Gopakumar.N as the Controller of Examinations- Consideration-of-reg.

(Ad.AI)

Prof. (Dr.) N. Gopakumar, Associate Professor, Department of Physics, MG College, Thiruvananthapuram was appointed as Controller of Examinations and assumed charge w.e.f. 12.12.2019 F.N. as per the University Order No. Ad.A1/2/16791/-CE/2019 dated 28.12.2019 and subsequent Notification No. Ad.A1.3/16791/2019 dated 28.12.2019. As per the 'Section 13, Subsection (1) of the University Laws (Amendment) Act, 2019', Prof. (Dr.) N. Gopakumar's term will expire on 11.12.2023.

In view of the expiry of the term, Prof. (Dr.) N. Gopakumar Controller of Examinations has submitted a request dated 15.11.2023, to reappoint him as Controller of Examinations for one more term in accordance with the provisions stipulated under 'Chapter III, Clause 13(1A) of the Kerala University Act 1974', along with an NOC dated 07/10/2023 from the Secretary, NSS Colleges' Central Committee.

It may be noted that; as per the University Laws (Amendment) Act, 2019 (Act 21 of 2019) dated 06.12.2019, the above provision was amended and substituted into the Kerala University Act 1974, in Section 13, for sub-section (1) as follows:-

- "(1) The Controller of Examinations shall be a whole-time salaried officer of the University and shall be appointed by the Syndicate for a period of four years from the date on which he enters upon his office or till he completes the age of fifty-six years, whichever is earlier and on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the Statues.
- (1A) The person appointed as Controller of Examinations shall be eligible for re-appointment for one more period subject to the provisions in sub-section (1)."

It may also be noted that, based on the date of birth (i.e., 29.05.1972), as specified in the initial application (dated 5.08.2019) submitted for appointment as Controller of Examinations, the age of Prof. (Dr.) N. Gopakumar as on November 2023, is 51 years & 6 months.

Considering the above request for reappointment to the post of Controller of Examinations, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the same before the Syndicate.

Accordingly, the request dated 15.11.2023 received from Prof. (Dr.) N. Gopakumar, Controller of Examinations, seeking reappointment as Controller of Examinations for one more term w.e.f. 12.12.2023, in accordance with the provisions in the University Laws (Amendment) Act, 2019 (Act 21 of 2019) dated 06.12.2019; which was amended and substituted into the Kerala University Act 1974, in Section 13, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

### Resolution of the Syndicate

Prof. (Dr.) N. Gopakumar has eligibility for reappointment as Controller of Examinations as per the provisions of section 13 (1A) of the Kerala University Act, 1974 and has requested for such reappointment and the **Syndicate has decided** for the same w.e.f. 12.12.2023 with the provisions in the University Laws (Amendment) Act, 2019 (Act 21 of 2019) dated 06.12.2019 amended and substituted into the Kerala University Act 1974, in Section 13.

Item No.06.107 Referred to next Syndicate

Item No: 06.108 Faculty of Engineering-Seeking clarity on existence of Department

# Doctoral Committees for Engineering Disciplines - request submitted by Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology - reg:

(Ac.E1)

Dr. Sumesh Divakaran, Dean (Faculty of Engineering and Technology) has forwarded an email seeking clarification on existence and the duties of Department Doctoral Committees for Engineering Disciplines in accordance with the Regulations for the Award of Ph.D. Degree, University of Kerala, 2016 (No.Ac.E1/10685/2016 dated 20/07/2016) of the University demand to have a Doctoral Committee to monitor the research activities to be carried out by a Research Scholar. Department Doctoral Committees with similar duties are required as per 2009 Regulations also.

The Dean also mentioned the following responsibilities of a Department Doctoral Committee as per the Regulations 2016.

- 1. Conduct interview for selecting research scholars (Regulation 3.7)
- 2. Allocation of Research Supervisor to a Research Scholar (Regulation 5.6)
- 3. Finalise grades for course work (Regulation 6.7)
- 4. Review Research Proposal (Regulation 7.1.1)
- 5. Orient the research scholar to develop the study design and methodology of research (Regulation 7.1.2)
- 6. Identify the course (s) to be undertaken (Regulation 7.1.3)
- 7. Review periodically and assess the progress of the research work (Regulation 7.1.4)
- 8. Recommend to the University for cancellation of registration, if the research scholar fails to implement the corrective measures suggested (Regulation 7.4.2)
- 9. Attend the pre-submission presentation (Regulation 8.02)
- 10. Chairperson of the Doctoral Committee shall countersign the certificate attested by the supervising teacher and contained in the thesis to be submitted to the University (Regulation 8.4)

In the request it is also stated that existence of a Doctoral Committee is essential to discharge his duties as Dean in the matters connected with a Research Scholar, Doctoral Committees are not existing for many Engineering Disciples which is preventing him from discharging his duties in the capacity as the Dean (Faculty of Engineering and Technology). It is requested that necessary steps be initiated to constitute Department Doctoral Committee for Engineering Disciples, if not already done.

It may be noted that, the Academic Council at it's meeting held on 27.11.2012 considered and approved the recommendations of the Deans council to nominate permanent Doctoral Committees for disciplines for which there are no University departments. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 26.03.2013 approved the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Research and Scholarships held on 18.03.2013 to constitute permanent Doctoral Committees with Deans of the respective faculties as Chairpersons, guides as convenors and other members as mentioned in U.O.No.Ac.E1.B1/013471/2012 dated 19.04.2013.

It may noted that the U.O.No.Ac.E1/A1/8662/2016 dtd 24.08.2017, mentioned that with the shifting of the affiliation of all Engineering Colleges to the APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University (KTU) with effect from 2014-15 and the KTU having started Ph.D programmes of their own, this University continuing to make use of the facilities of Engineering Colleges and also the faculty attached to KTU for running Ph.D programmes would tantamount to violation of UGC regulations. The Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 27.06.2017 considered the matter regarding registration to research leading to award of Ph.D Degree and approval as Research Supervisors in the Faculty of Engineering and Technology and recommended that the Ph.D registration and approval as Research Supervisors under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology be continued to be permitted only in those research centres other than Engineering Colleges under APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University (KTU) such as C-DAC, VSSC, LBS, NIIST and relevant University Departments ,in the branches permissible. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has ordered to implement the above recommendation subject to reporting to Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the matter of seeking clarity on existence of Department Doctoral Committees for Engineering Disciplines is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for Academics and Research on 25.08.2023. The Standing Committee of

the Syndicate considered the matter and recommended to entrust Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Member Syndicate, to submit a report in this regard. Also recommended to place the matter along with the report before the Syndicate.

The Syndicate at it's meeting held on 01.10.2023 vide item No.04.11.A10 resolved to approve the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

Accordingly a letter has been sent to Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Member Syndicate and a report in this regard has been forwarded by him on 24.11.2023 (Report Appended).

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of seeking clarity on existence of Department Doctoral Committees for Engineering Disciplines is placed before the Syndicate along with the report obtained from Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Member Syndicate for consideration and appropriate decision.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** to approve the Report submitted by Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Member Syndicate regarding clarity on the existence of Department Doctoral Committees for Engineering Disciplines.

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Item No.06.109 to 06.110

Referred to next Syndicate

Item No.06.111 Four Year Undergraduate Programmes-Proposal for new Four Year

Undergraduate Programmes - reg

(Ac.D)

Ref: Letter No.CUS/004/2023 dated 25.11.2023 from the Director, Centre for Undergraduate Studies.

Dr. Sam Solomon, vide reference cited above, has forwarded the minutes of the meeting of the monitoring Committee of the Centre for Under Graduate Studies held on 22.11.2023 at CLIF, Kariavattom along with the proposal for new Four Year PUndergraduate Programme. The meeting was chaired by the Vice-Chancellor and recommended to approve the proposal for starting the new Four Year Undergraduate Programmes under the Centre in the forthcoming years. (Minutes of the meeting is appended herewith).

The Proposal is detailed below:

### •Bsc.Honours with Research

- 1. Biology
- 2. Physics
- 3. Computer Science
- 4. Chemistry
- 5. Mathematics
- 6. Geology
- 7. Psychology

Students can choose any one of the above subjects as Major. They can select any one of the above subjects as minor also. Minor can be selected from the basket of minor also.

#### **Basket of Minor**

Environmental Science/Electornics/Nano Science/ Artificial Intelligence/ Data Science/ Renewable energy/ Functional Materials/ Data Analytics/ Machine Learning/ Robotics/ Space Science/ Genomics/ Bioinformatics/ Integrative Biology/ Biodiversity Conservation/ Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/ Industrial Biology/ Clinical Biology/ Aquatic Biology/ Demography.

# **BA Honours with Research**

Hindi

Malayalam and Kerala Studies

**English** 

Sanskri

Students can choose any one of the above subjects as Major. They can select any one of the above subjects as minor also. Minor can be selected from the basket of minor also.

# **Basket of Minor**

Tamil/ Journalism/ Information Science/ German/ Russian/ Arabic/ French/ Archaeology/ Philosophy/ Sociology/ West Asian Studies/ Manuscriptology/ Linguistics.

#### •Commerce and Management

B.Com Hon.with Research BBA Hon. with Research

#### **Basket of Minor**

Fin.tech/ Public law and IPR/ Supply chain and Logistics/ Blue Economy/ Business Analytics/ Accounts and Audit/ Travel and Tourism/ Environmental Finance/ Corporate Finance/ Hospitality Management/ Cyber Security.

The exact nomenclature of the programmes and courses will be finalized while approving the syllabus. This will be done by utilizing the inputs from the faculty members of the University and external experts.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the proposal submitted by Prof.(Dr.) Sam Solomon, Director, Centre for Undergraduate Studies for starting new Four Year Under Graduate Programmes in various Departments with overall supervision by the Centre is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

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Item No.06.112 - 06.116

Referred to next Syndicate

Item No:06.117

Proposal of the BSNL - upgradation of the existing copper based landline voice/ internet services to Fibre To The Home (FTTH) Technology - Rent a Modem or to Purchase a Modem-reg.

(Ad.BII)

M/s BSNL has submitted a proposal for compulsory upgradation of the existing Landline/Broadband connections of the University, from copper based connections to Fibre to the Home (FTTH) technology. M/s BSNL offers the advantages such as customers can connect multiple devices viz.Smart phone, Surveillance camera etc and have a fully WiFi enabled office/house. BSNL submitted FTTH plans (BSNL Plan appended) with modem charges as detailed below:

- 1. Rs.1,500/- for single band (Voice only)
- 2. Rs.2,500/- for dual band (WiFi)
- 3. Rs.3,500/- for dual band (WiFi-for>100 Mbps speed)
- 4. If Rental Modem (Rs.90/- for single band and Rs.110/- for dual band per month) Following points may be considered:
- 1. The University has EPABX telephone exchange (Intercom connection number 2386100) which provides intercom facility to the various sections of the Senate House Campus, (At present, approximately 100 sections have intercom facility) and an amount of ₹35,872/- is paid as monthly charges.
- 2. In addition to the intercom facility, the University has 23 active direct BSNL connections (copper based landline/broadband telephone connections) and 8 numbers of GSM (SIM) connections and an approximate amount of ₹20,000/- is paid as monthly charges.
- 3. Out of the 23 direct connections, 12 connections have become dysfunctional due to faults in the internal cabling of the University.

The Instrumentation Engineer has recommended following points:

- To upgrade 19 direct telephone connections of the University (2300638, 2300750, 2307176, 2302447, 2302898, 2303013, 2303044, 2305631, 2305864, 2305931, 2305946, 2306058, 2306514, 2306526, 2306634, 2307158, 2308001, 2308532, 2309930) to FTTH technology.
- 2. To cancel the three direct telephone connections 2302615, 2305630 & 2303174) as intercom facility is already provided to the sections concerned.
- 3. To cancel the direct telephone connection number 2302677, considering the request of the PA to Controller of Examinations that this connection is not required.
- 4. To cancel the two GSM connections (9188526610 & 9188526672) as these connections could not be identified.

The Director, Kerala University Computer Centre has recommended to accept the proposal from M/s BSNL, to upgrade the direct connections to FTTH as it is superior in quality.

By considering the options of the M/s BSNL to upgrade the existing copper connections to FTTH either to rent a modem (Rs. 90/month for each connection) or to purchase a modem (Rs.1,500/for each modem), the Instrumentation Engineer has recommended to take rental option as it is found to be cost effective and any fault with the modem will be rectified by BSNL itself.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the following proposals are placed before the Syndicate for consideration:

- (i) Whether the existing 18 direct telephone connections of the University be upgraded to FTTH Technology (in which only voice facility is required)
- (ii) Whether the existing direct telephone connection number 2307176, pertaining to the Finance Section be upgraded to FTTH techn logy, by taking modem for rent (in which both voice call and data facility is required)
- (iii) Whether the existing four direct telephone connections and two GSM connections be cancelled.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development

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Item No.06.118 to 06.123

Referred to next Syndicate

Item No.06.124

Kerala Paper Products Limited (KPPL) - Cutting and removal of Acacia trees from the Kariavattom campus premises - Letter from Social Forestry Division - reg:-

(Ad.B1)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 20.05.2023 vide item no. 57.105 considered the matter of granting permission to Kerala Paper Products Limited for the felling and removal of pulpwood raw material from the University Campus, and resolved to grant permission to M/s. Kerala Paper Products Limited (KPPL) at a special rate of Rs.750/- per MT for the extraction of pulpwood raw material available in the University Campus as per the terms and conditions stipulated by the Government.

The Assistant Forest Conservator has informed that from the Acacia trees standing at various places in the Kariavattom Campus premises, only those with a medium thickness below 70 cm should be given to Kerala Paper Products Ltd., and that the wood pieces with a medium thickness above 70 cm should be cut off and stacked separately, and it can be auctioned only after the price is assessed by the Social Forestry division. The Assistant Forest Conservator, Social Forestry Division has also informed that 5% Forest Development Tax and an additional tax of 20% on the amount received from Kerala Paper Products Limited for the wood supplied to them, has to be deposited in the Government Treasury under the head 0406-01-101-96-00-FDT, Division Code: 0101-250-020. The Special Officer (KPPL) and the Joint Registrar (Campus Administration) were informed of the same.

An agreement was executed between the Special Officer, Kerala Paper Products Limited (KPPL) and the Registrar, University of Kerala on 22.05.2023 for a period of 3 months w.e.f. 22/05/2023. (i.e., from 22/05/2023 to 21/08/2023, and they have started cutting and removing the acacia trees from the Kariavattom Campus premises. The period of extraction was extended further for a period of 3 months as per the resolution of the Syndicate dated 14.08.2023 on Item No. 02.102. It was further resolved that the acacia trees with a medium thickness below 70 cm should be given to Kerala Paper Products Ltd., and the wood pieces with a thickness below 70 cm and above should be cut off and stacked separately, and be auctioned only after the price is assessed by the Social Forestry Division based on the letter No.SF A22824/2023 dated 27.07.2023 and 5% Forest Development Tax and an additional tax of 20% and GST is to be paid by Kerala Paper Products Limited for remitting to the Government Treasury. Also resolved to entrust the Joint Registrar, Campus Administration, Kariavattom, to submit a detailed report regarding cutting and removal of Acacia trees, including total number trees, its weight and all other details before the next Syndicate

meeting. The Special Officer (KPPL), the Joint Registrar (Campus Administration) were informed the same.

Accordingly the Special Officer (KPPL) has submitted the draft agreement for the period of extension. Further the Special Officer, KPPL was requested to incorporate two clauses [(1) Acacia trees with a medium thickness below 70 cm shall be taken by Kerala Paper Products Ltd and the wood pieces with a thickness of 70 cm and above should be cut off and stacked separately by Kerala Paper Products Ltd. (2) 5% Forest Development Tax and an additional tax of 20% and GST is to be paid by Kerala Paper Products Ltd for remitting to the Government Treasury], as decided by the Syndicate dated 14.08.2023 on item No.02.102, in the draft agreement submitted by them, executing between M/s.KPPL and the University of Kerala, for extension of contract for the extraction and transportation of acacia and other pulpwood trees, and to resubmit the same at the earliest. But no reply has been received yet and the **agreement for the period of extension is not executed till date.** 

It may be noted that the term of extension of the contract for a period of 3 months w.e.f 22.08.2023 as per the Syndicate dated 14.08.2023 on item No. 02.102 will expire on 21.11.2023.

Vide letter No. SFA2-284/2023 dated 07.11.2023, Assistant Forest Conservator, Social Forestry Division has informed the following points:

- 1. The GBH of the trees in the Acacia plantation at Kariavattam campus is in the range of 50 cm 170 cm.
- 2. The said trees are assumed to be over 25 years old.
- 3. Acacia trees up to the thickness of 70 cm were cut from many parts of the said plantation; it is better to cut off the remaining ones and plant appropriate number of native tree seedlings in that area as there is a risk of them falling off the trunks in wind and rain.
- 4. From the quality timber of said trees(i.e, free from rot, damage etc.) cut into 230 cm length, only those with a medium thickness below 70 cm should be given to Kerala Paper Products Ltd., and the wood pieces with a medium thickness above 70 cm should be cut off and stacked separately.
- 5. It should be noted that the weight of the wood should be calculated from the middle and not the girth around the buttend.
- 6. Wood pieces from 125 cm and above are to be cut separately and then auctioned.
- 7. 5% Forest Development Tax on the price of wood supplied to Kerala Paper Products Ltd. and on the price of wood sold at auction and 20% as royalty shall be remitted to the Forest Department.
- 8. The aforesaid timber shall be auctioned without delay and 5% Forest Development Tax of the auction price, 18% GST of the sale of Forest Development Tax and statutory taxes shall be duly collected and the amount levied as Forest Development tax should be deposited in the Government Treasury under the head 0406-01-101-96-00-FDT, Division Code: 0101-250-020.
- 9. The legal responsibility to pay 5% of the total auction amount of timber and firewood as Forest Development tax shall be vested with the officials carrying out the auction procedure and also legal recovery measures will be taken in case of default in payment. The original chalan for the payment of Forest Development Tax must be submitted to their office within seven days.
- 10. For every cut down tree, 10 saplings should be planted and maintained. The information regarding the steps taken should be reported to the office of Social Forestry.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the above matter is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.

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Additional Item No. 1- Re-constitution of various Standing Committees of the Syndicateconsideration -reg. The Syndicate considered the matter and **RESOLVED** to reconstitute the various Standing Committees of the Syndicate as detailed below:

#### 1. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance

1. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G, Member Syndicate (Convener)

Sri. R. Rajesh,
 Dr. Shijukhan J S,
 Prof. (Dr.) Gopchandran K.G.,
 Dr. S Javan

6. Prof.(Dr.) P.M. Radhamany

### 2. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment and Buildings

1. Dr. Shijukhan J S, Member Syndicate (Convener)

Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G.,
 Sri. R. Rajesh
 Prof. (Dr.) Gopchandran K.G.
 Dr. S Jayan

## 3. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research

1. Prof. (Dr.) Gopchandran K.G., Member Syndicate (Convener)

Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G., Member Syndicate
 Dr. Shijukhan J S "
 Prof (Dr.) P.M. Padhamany "

4. Prof.(Dr.) P.M. Radhamany5. Dr. S Jayan

# 4. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development

1. Dr. S Jayan, Member Syndicate (Convener)

2. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G., Member Syndicate

3. Sri. R. Rajesh4. Prof. (Dr.) Gopchandran K.G.5. Prof.(Dr.) P.M. Radhamany

#### 5. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations

1. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G., Member Syndicate (Convener)

Sri. R. Rajesh, Member Syndicate
 Prof. (Dr.) Gopchandran K.G.

4. Prof.(Dr.) P.M. Radhamany
5. Dr. S Jayan
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### 6. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Students' Discipline

1. Prof.(Dr.) P.M. Radhamany, Member Syndicate (Convener)

2. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G., Member Syndicate

3. Sri. R. Rajesh4. Dr. S Jayan"

# 7. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges

1. Sri. R. Rajesh, Member Syndicate (Convener)

Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G., Member Syndicate
 Dr. Shijukhan J S "

# 8. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Teaching and Non-teaching Staff of Private Colleges

1. Dr. Shijukhan J S, Member Syndicate (Convener)

2. Prof.(Dr.) P. M. Radhamany, Member Syndicate

- 3. Prof. (Dr.) Gopchandran K. G.
  4. Dr. S Jayan
- 9. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Departments and Other Institutions of the University
  - 1. Sri. R. Rajesh, Member Syndicate (Convener)
  - 2. Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G., Member Syndicate
  - 3. Dr. Shijukhan J S

- 10. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Students Services
  - 1. Prof.(Dr.) P.M. Radhamany, Member Syndicate (Convener)
  - 2. Dr. Shijukhan J S,

Member Syndicate

3. Sri. R. Rajesh

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Additional Item No. 2-

Boards of Studies - Re-constitution of 49 Boards - consideration - reg.

(Ac.D)

The Syndicate considered the panel submitted by Dr.P.M.Radhamany, Member Syndicate for the reconstitution of Boards of Studies (49 Boards) and **RESOLVED** to approve the panel (List appended).

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Additional Item No. 3

University of Kerala, Department of Botany and Department of Mathematics - Selection and promotion under CAS and Selection cum Screening Committee of Teachers - Addl. Panel of Experts - approval - reg

(VC's Sn.)

As the panel of experts in Botany and Mathematics, for promotion under CAS and Selection cum Screening Committee of Teachers, which was approved by the Syndicate, did not suffice, additional panel obtained from the Dean, Faculty of Science, is placed before the Syndicate, for approval.

#### Resolution of the Syndicate

**RESOLVED** that the additional panel of experts, be approved.

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REGISTRAR

VICE-CHANCELLOR

University Buildings, Thiruvananthapuram, 28.11.2023



### UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

# Preliminary Minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023

(Re-accredited by NAAC with 'A++' Grade)

Place of Meeting : University Buildings,

Thiruvananthapuram

Time : 02.00 PM

#### Members Present:

1. Dr. Mohanan Kunnumal (In the Chair)

Vice-Chancellor

- 2. Dr.S.Jayan
- 3. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
- 4. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G
- 5. Dr.Shijukhan J.S.
- 6. Sri.R. Rajesh
- 7. Sri.Anilkumar V.S., Additional Secretary, Higher Education Department
- 8. Sri.Rajesh Kumar M., Additional Secretary,

Electronics and Information Technology Department

9. Dr.P.M. Radhamany

#### **Online Presence:**

10. Sri.K.Sudhir, IAS, Director of Collegiate Education

Item No. 07.01 Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.11.2023-reg.

(Ac.A.I)

The Syndicate considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.11.2023 with the following modifications except Additional Item No.2:

**Item No.06.03. I** Career Advancement promotion - Resolution be modified as follows:

- RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.S.Muhammadhu Aboobakar Shibli**, from the post of Professor (Academic Level 14) to Senior Professor (Academic Level 15) in the Department of Chemistry, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 16.06.2022 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.
- 2 **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Ramesh Kumar P.**, from the post of Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) to Professor (Academic Level 14) in the Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 30.05.2022 held on 10.11.2023, be approved.
- 7. **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Indu K.V.**, from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) to Associate Professor (Academic Level 13 A) in the Department of Hindi, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 28.06.2022 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.
- 8. **RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Meeting of the Selection Committee for considering the promotion of **Dr.Bushra Beegom R.K.**, from the post of Assistant Professor (Academic Level 12) to Associate Professor (Academic Level 13A) in the Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom under Career Advancement Scheme with effect from 29.11.2022 held on 26.10.2023, be approved.

(Ad.DIII/ Ad.H/ Ad.FII)

**Item No.06.53.09** 2<sup>nd</sup> Resolution be modified as **FURTHER RESOLVED** to constitute a Technical Committee with following members and place the same before the committee for detailed discussion.

- 5. The University Engineer
- 6. Director, Computer Centre
- 7. Instrumentation Engineer
- 8. Sabarish. K, Chief Scientist and Head Information Systems Division, KSCSTE.

(Ad.AVI/ Ad.BII)

**Item No.06.53.19** Recommendation be corrected as 'The Committee examined the proposals submitted by the Controller of Examinations and Finance Officer in detail and recommended to fix the chairman's fee for all *examinations* (except the Fine arts courses and B.Des programme) be fixed as follows':

(Ad.AVI/ M&C1)

**Item 06.71.20** Resolution be added 'The Syndicate considered the report of the Controller of Examination and **FURTHER RESOLVED** to approve the same and initiate action accordingly.'

(Ac.BII/ Ac.AV)

Item No.6.71.24 Resolution be corrected as RESOLVED to upgrade three classroom into Smart Class Room by installing Interactive Display System and PTZ cameras, meeting the expenditure from the Department Development Fund (DDF) account maintained by UGC-HRDC.

FURTHER RESOLVED that all purchases shall be made in accordance with the provisions contained in the Store Purchase Manual and Kerala Financial Code.

ALSO RESOLVED to place the estimate submitted by the Instrumentation Engineer before the Technical Committee (constituted by the Syndicate vide Item No. 06.53.09).

(Ad.Misc.)

**Item No.06.79.04** Resolution be corrected as **RESOLVED** to refer the item to the next Syndicate.

(Pl.G/Pl.C)

**Item No.06.79.07** Resolution be corrected as **RESOLVED** to refer the item to the next Syndicate.

(Pl.G)

Item No.06.79.11 Resolution be corrected as **RESOLVED** to refer the item to the next Syndicate.

(Pl.G/ Pl.C)

**Item No.06.111** Resolution be corrected as **RESOLVED** to approve the proposal for starting the new four year undergraduate programmes under the Centre in the forthcoming years.

#### **Bsc.Honours with Research**

- 1. Biology
- 2. Physics
- 3. Computer Science
- 4. Chemistry
- 5. Mathematics
- 6. Geology
- 7. Psychology

# **BA Honours with Research**

Hindi

Malayalam and Kerala Studies

**English** 

Sanskrit

# **Commerce and Management**

B.Com Hon.with Research BBA Hon. with Research

**FURTHER RESOLVED** to entrust the Hon. Director, Centre for Undergraduate Studies, to take necessary steps for the preparation of the Scheme and Syllabus of the above programmes and place the same before the Academic Council.

(Ac.D)