



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

Preliminary Minutes of the 13th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 31.08.2024

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

Place of Meeting : University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram
Time : 10.00 AM

Members Present:

1. Dr. Mohanan Kunnnumal (*In the Chair*)
Vice-Chancellor
2. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G
3. Sri.R. Rajesh
4. Dr.Shijukhan J.S.
5. Sri.Ajay D.N
6. Sri.Ahamad Fazil. Y
7. Dr.S.Jayan
8. Dr.M. Leninlal
9. Sri.P.S.Gopakumar
10. Dr.Vinodkumar T.G.Nair
11. Prof.(Dr.) Prakash K.C
12. Dr.K.Rahim.
13. Prof.Manoj V
14. Dr.Manoj T.R
15. Dr.Pramod N
16. Dr.S.Nazeeb
17. Adv.R.B.Rajeev Kumar
18. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
19. Dr.P.M. Radhamany

Item No. 13.01 *Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the 11th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 02.07.2024-reg.*

(Ac.A.I)

The Syndicate considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the 11th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 02.07.2024 with the following modifications:

Item No.11.01, Sub Item No.10.96.14 Second recommendation be corrected as *New Night Watch Man already engaged on local basis be continued.*

(Ad A VII/ Ad A VII A)

Item No.11.09.05: Resolution be corrected as '**RESOLVED** that the enhancement of malpractice enquiry fee be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance'.

(SDC)

Item No.11.11.A16: Resolution be corrected as "**Resolved to maintain the Status Quo**".

(Ac.EI)

Item No.11.18: First Resolution be corrected as **RESOLVED** to accept the resignation of Smt.Vidhya S, Programmer, Computer Centre, University of Kerala 'w.e.f. 01.04.2022' and initiate action urgently. *Disciplinary proceedings against her be closed accordingly.*

(Ad.DII)

Item No.11.122.08: Recommendations be corrected as '*Recommended to entrust the Director, Publications to print and publish the enlisted books at the University Press. Further Recommended that the Publications Monitoring Committee be constituted.*'

(Ad.AVII/ Ad.Misc)

Item No.11.122.09 Recommendation be corrected as Recommended that a sub-committee consisting of Sri. Rajesh R, Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Departments & Other Institutions of the University, Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai. G and Dr.Shijukhan J.S, Members, Syndicate, be constituted to *discuss* the matter.

(Ad.AVII/ Ad.AVII (A))

Item No.11.123 Second resolution be corrected as **FURTHER RESOLVED** to entrust the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on **Academics and Research** to prepare the guidelines for the appointment of Emeritus Professor, Adjunct Faculty and Professor of practice in various teaching departments.

(Ad.DIII)

Item No.11.132.19 Second resolution be corrected as **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the intake of students for BBA, BMS and BCA programmes in affiliated colleges **be increased in accordance** with AICTE regulations.

(Ac.BII)

Item No.11.184.B14 Name of the Assistant Professor in the Agenda note and recommendation be corrected as 'Dr.Susmi Sabu' instead of 'Dr.Susmi Babu'.

(Ac.FII)

Item No.11.184.C16 Name of the Assistant Professor in the Agenda note and recommendation be corrected as '**Dr.Haripriya Anand M.**' instead of '*Dr.Hari Priya Anand M.*'

(Ac.FII/ Ac.FIII)

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Item No. 13.02 **Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the 12th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 12.07.2024-reg.**

(Ac.A.I)

The Syndicate considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the 12th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 12.07.2024 with the following modifications:

Item No.12.07.C13 Recommendation be corrected as 'The Committee considered the revision of the date of Placement/ Promotion granted to Dr. Soju S, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, SN College, Sivagiri, Varkala from Stage-I with '**AGP 6000 to Stage-II with AGP 7000**' and recommended to accept the Governement letter No. HEDN-D1/186/2020-HEDN dated 01.08.2023 and to revise the date of placement/promotion from 30.06.2011 to 07.01.2015 AN .

(Ac.FII/ Ac.FIII)

Item No.12.14 Resolution be corrected as **RESOLVED** that the proposal submitted by the Canara Bank for implementing the Multiple Payment Gateway for various online payments in the University 'be approved' in addition to State Bank of India.

(Ad.DII)

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Item No. 13.03 *Appointments/ Career Advancement Promotion, if any – reg.*
(Ad.H/Ad.D.II Section)

Resolution of the Syndicate
NIL

Item No.13.04 *Re-constitution of Budget Implementation Cell to monitor & track the implementation of Budget Speech proposals –Consideration of- reg.*
(Ad .Misc)

Budget Implementation Cell to monitor & track the implementation of Budget Speech proposals had been constituted with the following members:

1. Pro-Vice Chancellor (Chairman)
2. Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.
3. Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research.
4. Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development.
5. Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Departments and other institutions of the University.
6. One Member, Syndicate
7. Controller of Examinations
8. Finance Officer
9. Director, Planning & Development
10. Director, IQAC
11. Director, Research
12. Director, Computer Centre
13. Campus Director, Kariavattom
14. Registrar (Convenor)

The Senate at its meeting held on 18.06.2024 approved Budget Speech 2024-25. As the term of Pro-Vice Chancellor, who is the Chairman of the Budget Implementation Cell has expired, the committee has to be reconstituted.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding re-constitution of Budget Implementation Cell is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Syndicate
RESOLVED to re-constitute the Budget Implementation Cell with following members:
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vice Chancellor (Chairman) 2. Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance. 3. Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research. 4. Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development. 5. Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Departments and other institutions of the University. 6. Dr.J.S. Shijukhan, Member, Syndicate 7. Controller of Examinations 8. Finance Officer 9. Director, Planning & Development 10. Director, IQAC 11. Director, Research 12. Director, Computer Centre 13. Campus Director, Kariavattom 14. Registrar (Convenor)

Item No.13.05 *Department of Demography -Request for extension of service of Dr.P.Mohanachandran Nair (Rtd), as Emeritus Professor –Consideration of- reg.*

(Ad.H)

The Head, Department of Demography has informed that, the Department Council meeting held on 03.06.2024 has recommended to extend the tenure of Dr.P. Mohanachandran Nair as Emeritus Professor for another three years as his tenure will be expired on 16.08.2024. Hence, it is requested to

engage him accordingly, as the service of a senior and experienced professor like him, is essential for the smooth academic functioning of the Department. It is also stated that, in case any constraints in giving the extension, he may be appointed as an Adjunct or Honorary Professor in the Department of Demography with remuneration at par with that of the Guest faculty.

In this connection the following points may be noted.

- * The Syndicate, vide item nos.30.44.14/ 06.08.2021 & 36.01/20.01.2022 has resolved to appoint Prof. Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair (Rtd) as Emeritus Professor in the Department of Demography and fix his remuneration as Rs.30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand only) per month.
- * The Head, Department of Demography had requested to specify the period of appointment of Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair, Emeritus Professor, engaged in the Department, as the audit has objected the remuneration bill for the same. Hence, sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the following and the same was reported to the Syndicate held on 02.09.2022 on item no.46.23.
 - Tenure of appointment of Prof. Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair (Rtd) in the Department of Demography as Emeritus Professor shall be for a period of three years from the date of joining duty.
 - Tenure of appointment of other Emeritus Professors/Adjunct Faculties in other Departments shall be for a period of three years from the date of joining duty.
 - The proposal for further extension of these teachers shall be forwarded by the concerned Departments on expiry of their tenure.

Accordingly, Pro. Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair (Rtd) was engaged as Emeritus Professor in the Department of Demography for a period of three years w.e.f. 17.08.2021, vide U.O No. 5703/2022/UOK dated 23.07.2022.

- * The faculty position in the Department of Demography is as follows:

Name of the Post	Sanctioned Strength	Filed	Vacancy	Contract	Guest
Professor	1	0	1	3	5
Associate Professor	1	0	1		
Assistant Professor	3	2	1		

- * Department of Demography offered two M.Sc. Course viz., M.Sc. Demography & Biostatistics and M.Sc. Actuarial Science, Ph. D course and also offer Minor Programme in bio-statics & Demography for this academic year under Four Year Undergraduate Programme.

- * It may also be noted that, as per UGC Regulations 2018, Clause 2.1

'Subject to the availability of vacant positions & fitness, teachers such as Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor and Senior Professor only, may be re-employed on contract appointment beyond the age of superannuation, as applicable to the concerned University, College and Institution, up to the age of seventy years. Provided further that all such re-employment shall be strictly in accordance with the guidelines prescribed by the UGC, from time to time.'

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request of the Head, Department of Demography to engage Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair as Emeritus Professor in the Department for another period of three years on the basis of the recommendation of the Department Council, is placed before the Syndicate, for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED not to re-engage Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair (Rtd.) as Emeritus Professor in the Department of Demography, as he has already served for three years.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair (Rtd.) be engaged as a Guest Faculty in the Department of Demography, Kariavattom.

Item No.13.06

Department of Mathematics - Request of the HoD, for engaging Dr.Ramesh Kumar P., as Emeritus Professor - Consideration of – reg.

(Ad.H)

The Department council meeting held on 31.05.2024 in the Department of Mathematics, had decided to recommend the University to engage Dr. Ramesh Kumar P., as Emeritus Professor in the Department, due to the shortage of faculty. Accordingly, the HoD has requested to consider Dr.RameshKumar P., Former Professor (Retired), Department of Mathematics, as Emeritus Professor.

The following points may be noted in this regard.

* The faculty position in the Department of Mathematics is as follows:

Sl.No.	Name of the Post	Sanctioned Strength	Filled	Vacancy	Contract	Guest
1	Professor	1	0	1	1	1
2	Associate Professor	1	0	1		
3	Assistant professor	7	6	1		

* Department of Mathematics is conducting 2 PG Courses - M.Sc. Mathematics & M.Sc. Mathematics with specialization in Finance and Computation (MATFAC) along with Ph.D. research programme.

* A Four Year UG program has introduced in the Department of Mathematics this academic year.

It may also be noted that as per U.O No. Ad. AV.2/6126/2013 dated 23.08.2013, sanction was accorded to the following.

1. In major Teaching Departments where the staff strength is below five, retiring professors shall be re-engaged as Adjunct Professors for the smooth functioning of the Department.
2. Re-engaging shall be for a period of one year which can be extended up to the attainment of 65 years by the incumbent.
3. The Department Council shall recommend the names of such Professors who are willing to be re-engaged.
4. Only the Professors with unblemished service shall be considered eligible for re-engagement.
5. Final decision for re-engagement of such Adjunct Professors shall be made by the Syndicate.
6. The service of such teachers will end with the appointment of sufficient new faculty in the Department.
7. The remuneration of 'Adjunct Professors' shall be fixed at Rs.750/- per hour subject to a maximum of Rs.30,000/- (Rupees thirty thousand only) per month.
8. The Adjunct Professors shall be engaged for evaluation work also.

Also, the period of engagement was fixed as 3 years in the case of Emeritus Professors appointed earlier, in certain Teaching Departments.

It may also be noted that, as per the Clause 2.1 of UGC Regulations 2018, Subject to the availability of vacant positions and fitness, teachers such as Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor and Senior Professor only, may be re-employed on contract appointment beyond the age of superannuation, as applicable to the concerned University, college and Institution, up to the age of seventy years. Provided further that all such re-employment shall be strictly in accordance with the guidelines prescribed by the UGC, from time to time.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request of the Head, Department of Mathematics, to appoint Dr. Ramesh Kumar P., Former Professor & Head (Retired on 31.05.2024), Department of Mathematics, as Emeritus Professor in the Department based on the recommendation of Department Council of Mathematics, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to appoint Dr. Ramesh Kumar P. (Rtd.), Former Professor & Head, Department of Mathematics, as Emeritus Professor in the Department with usual terms and conditions.

Item No.13.07

Department of Biotechnology - Request of the Head (i/c), to extend the tenure of Dr. A. Jayakumaran Nair, Professor (retired) as Emeritus Professor-Consideration of- reg.

(Ad.H)

The Head (i/c), Department of Biotechnology, has forwarded the minutes of the Department Council meeting held on 15.04.2024 and informed that the tenure of engagement of Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair as Emeritus Professor in the Department of Biotechnology expired on 02.05.2024. The Head (i/c), Department of Biotechnology has requested the extension of

Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair as Emeritus Professor for a further period of three more years based on the recommendation of the Department Council, as his service is very essential for the Department and there is no permanent faculty in the Department.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 17.02.2021 on Item no.23.83, resolved to engage Prof.Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair as adjunct faculty after his retirement (on 30.04.2021) in the Department of Biotechnology, since there was no permanent faculty in the Department. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 11.06.2021 on Item No.28.17.21, resolved to fix the remuneration of Prof.Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair, Adjunct Professor in the Department of Bio technology@ Rs.750/- per hour subject to a maximum of Rs.30,000/- (Rupees thirty thousand only) per month and to rename the designation of Prof. Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair, as Emeritus Professor(KU).

The Head(i/c), Department of Biotechnology, vide letter dated 01.07.2022 requested to specify the period of engagement of Emeritus Professor Pro.Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair(Rtd.) engaged in the Department, as the audit has objected the remuneration bill for the same. Hence, sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the following and the same was reported to the Syndicate held on 02.09.2022 on item no.46.23.

- tenure of appointment of Prof. Dr.Jayakumaran Nair (Rtd) in the Department of Biotechnology as Emeritus Professor shall be for a period of three years from the date of joining duty.
- tenure of appointment of other Emeritus Professors/Adjunct Faculties in other Departments shall be for a period of three years from the date of joining duty.
- the proposal for further extension of these teachers shall be forwarded by the concerned Departments on expiry of their tenure.

Accordingly, Prof. Dr. A. Jayakumaran Nair(Rtd) was engaged as Emeritus Professor in the Department of Biotechnology for a period of three years w.e.f. 03.05.2021, vide U.O.No.5702/2022/UOK dated 23.07.2022.

The Faculty position in the Department of Bio-Technology is as follows:

SL.No	Post	Sanctioned Post	Filled Post	Vacancy	Contract	Guest	Emeritus Professor
1	Professor	0	0	0	5	1	Dr.Jayakumaran Nair
2	Associate Professor	1	0	1			
3	Assistant Professor	1	0	1			

It may be noted that, as per UGC Regulations 2018, Clause 2.1, 'Subject to the availability of vacant positions & fitness, teachers such as Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor and Senior Professor only, may be re-employed on contract appointment beyond the age of superannuation, as applicable to the concerned University, college and Institution, up to the age of seventy years. Provided further that all such re-employment shall be strictly in accordance with the guidelines prescribed by the UGC, from time to time.'

It may also be noted that, the Syndicate, vide item no. 11.123/ 02.07.2024, has resolved to entrust the S/C on staff, Equipment & Buildings, to prepare the guidelines for the appointment of Emeritus Professor, Adjunct faculty & Professor of Practice in various teaching Departments.

As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request of the Head (i/c), Department of Biotechnology for the extension of Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair as Emeritus Professor for a further period of three more years based on the recommendation of the Department Council, is placed before the Syndicate, for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED not to re-engage Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair (Rtd.) as Emeritus Professor in the Department of Biotechnology, as he has already served for three years.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair (Rtd.) be engaged as a Guest Faculty in the Department of Biotechnology, Kariavattom.

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Item No.13.08

Population Research Centre (PRC), Kariavattom - Nomination of new Director –Consideration of- reg.

(Ad.F1)

Dr. Anil Chandran S, Director (i/c), PRC informed that he was appointed as the Director-in-charge of Population Research Centre (PRC), Kariavattom when he was concurrently appointed as the Head of the Department of Demography, consequent to the retirement of Dr.P. Mohanachandran Nair, the then Director on 31/05/2021. He informed that the Syndicate in its meeting held on 09/05/2024 resolved to nominate Smt. Preethi K, Assistant Professor, Department of Demography as the Head of the Department as Dr. Anil Chandran S. will complete his three year term as HOD on 31/05/2024.

Therefore, he requested to allow him to relinquish the charge of Director, PRC with effect from 01/06/2024 and to make alternative arrangements.

The Population Research Centre is fully funded by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India and is under the Department of Demography. As per the usual procedure followed, the HOD of the Department of Demography is also given the charge of Director PRC. Besides the Director-in-charge, PRC is entitled to an honorarium of Rs.2500/- per month, vide Office memorandumNo.W.11011/30/2012-Stats (PRC) dated 12/06/2014.

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the whole matter is placed before the Syndicate for a decision on the following –

- a) *to appoint a new Director-in-charge of PRC w.e.f. June 1, 2024, after considering the request of Dr. Anil Chandran, S., to permit relinquishment of charge of PRC consequent to the expiry of his term as HOD, Department of Demography w.e.f. May 31, 2024.*
- b) *to consider appointing Smt. Preethi. K, Assistant Professor, Department of Demography, nominated as HOD of the Department w.e.f. 1/6/2024, as Director (i/c), PRC, as per procedure followed.*
- c) *to accord sanction for the payment of an honorarium of Rs. 2500/- per month to the newly appointed Director-in-charge.*

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above proposals be agreed to.

Item No.13.09

National Education Policy 2020 - Professor of Practice - appointment – Consideration of-reg.

(IQAC)

National Education Policy 2020 recommends integrating vocational education with general education and strengthening industry-academia collaboration in every Higher Education Institution (HEI). Towards this, the UGC has taken a new initiative to bring the industry and other professional expertise into the academic institutions through a new category of positions called “**Professor of Practice**”.

UGC has launched UTSAH (Undertaking Transformative Strategies and Actions in Higher Education) portal, to track the status of HEIs on various thrust areas of implementing NEP- 2020 and the details of the persons appointed as the Professor of Practice, have also to be furnished in the said portal.

The general guidelines to be followed on appointment of Professor of Practice as stipulated in NEP 2020 are detailed below:

- **Eligibility:**
 1. Distinguished experts who have made remarkable contributions in their professions from various fields such as engineering, science, technology, entrepreneurship, commerce, social sciences, media, literature, fine arts, civil services, armed forces, legal profession, community development, panchayati raj, rural development, watershed development, water-harvesting, organic farming, small green energy systems, municipal planning, community participation, gender budgeting/planning, inclusive development of tribals and public administration among others. *Those who have proven expertise in their specific profession or role with at least 15 years of service/experience, preferably at a senior level, will be eligible for Professor of Practice.*
 2. A formal academic qualification is not considered essential for this position if they have exemplary professional practice in lieu. These experts will also be exempted from the requirement of publications and other eligibility criteria stipulated for the recruitment of faculty members at the Professor level. However, they should possess the skills to carry out the duties and responsibilities specified in the following section.

3. The number of Professors of Practice in a HEI, at any point in time, should not exceed 10% of the sanctioned posts in a HEI.

(It may be noted that the current sanctioned strength of faculty in University of Kerala is 298. Therefore the maximum number of Professors of Practice to be appointed shall not exceed 29)

• **General Conditions:**

1. The engagement of Professor of Practice will be for a fixed term.
2. The engagement of Professor of Practice will be exclusive of the sanctioned posts of a university/college. It will not affect the number of sanctioned posts and the recruitment of regular faculty members.
3. Professor of Practice is *not open for those in teaching profession- serving or retired.*

• **Categories of Engagement:**

It is envisioned that Professor of Practice can be engaged in one of the following categories:

1. Professor of Practice funded by Industries
2. Professor of Practice funded by HEIs from their own resources
3. Professor of Practice on Honorary basis

• **Procedure for selecting Professor of Practice**

1. The **Vice-Chancellors/Directors may invite nominations** from eminent experts for Professor of Practice positions.
2. The experts willing to serve may also be nominated or they can send their nomination to the Vice-Chancellor/ Director with a detailed biodata and a brief write-up about their potential contribution to the HEI.
3. Such nominations will be considered by a **selection committee consisting of two senior Professors from the HEI and one eminent external member.** Based on the recommendations of this committee, the Academic Council and the Executive Council or statutory bodies of the HEI will decide on the engagement.

• **Tenure:**

The engagement may be initially for up to one year, which may be extendable based on the assessment criteria devised by the HEI. The maximum duration of service of Professor of Practice at a given institution should not exceed three years and is extendable by one year in exceptional cases and the total service should not exceed four years under any circumstance.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the proposal of appointing Professor of Practice in the University of Kerala based on the guidelines stipulated in NEP- 2020 is placed before Syndicate for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic and Research.

Item No.13.10

Stock Verification of Unused Answer Scripts kept at Affiliated Colleges/ Centres/ Departments –Consideration of-Reg.

(CE III)

As per U.O No. Ad.A1.3/1737/2021 dated 1.12.2021 employees were deputed for stock verification of unused answer scripts kept at affiliated colleges/ centres/departments in Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Pathanamthitta and Alappuzha districts.

The first phase of verification has been successfully completed for the various affiliated colleges, UIT's and UIM's and the verification at various teaching departments of the university is going on.

In the meeting convened by the Controller of Examinations with the verification team members it was proposed that a random basis verification should be conducted at all examination centres to ensure the proper maintenance of stock and further the employees raised their concern regarding denial of allowance for the verification within 8km distance.

As per the order No.M&C I.2/2035/2021 dated 7.2.2022 the employees are provided with the eligible TA/DA for the verification. In the meeting it was recommended to put up the proposal for granting special allowance equivalent to DA in accordance with the pay scale of the employee similar to the payment procedure followed for the employees deputed for Pre-Audit at CV camps as per U.O No. M&C.I.2/1897/2019 dated 28.5.2019 for the verification visits within 8Km distance.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor the proposal for proceeding with the random basis stock verification at the various examination centres at Trivandrum, Kollam, Pathanamthitta and Alappuzha districts were the phase 1 verification is already over, in order to ensure the maintenance of stock by the examination centres and the proposal for providing eligible TA/DA as per KSR for verification outside 8 km from the Headquarters and special allowance equivalent to DA based on their scale of pay within 8 km distance were placed before the combined Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Examinations held on 30.04.2024. The committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate and directed to produce the details of the syndicate decision for the payment of remuneration to the employees deputed for pre-audit at CV camp. The meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.05.2024 vide item No10.74.01 resolved to approve the recommendation of the combined Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Examinations.

Accordingly the details regarding the issuance of U.O.No.M&C.I.2/1897/2019 dtd 28.5.2019 were obtained from M&C I and Finance I Sections. As per their remarks, the said U.O was issued on the basis of sanction accorded by the Pro – Vice Chancellor.

Hence as per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor the following proposals are placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

1. Proceed with the random basis stock verification at the various examinationscentres at Trivandrum, Kollam, Pathanamthitta and Alappuzha districts were the phase 1 verification is already over, in order to ensure the maintenance of stock by the examination centres.
2. To provide eligible TA/DA as per KSR for verification outside 8 km from the Headquarters and special allowance equivalent to DA based on their scale of pay within 8 km distance.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the item be referred to the Combined Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Examinations and Finance.

Item No.13.11

Request for declaration of probation of Smt.Sindhu George in the post of Joint Registrar, by considering the period of duty performed by her in the said post and her subsequent requests; consequent to the reversion from the post of Joint Registrar to Deputy Registrar - Consideration of - reg.

(Ad.AI)

The Syndicate held on 09.06.2023 (Item No.58.51), has resolved to keep the promotion of Sri.D S Santhosh Kumar, Deputy Registrar, as Joint Registrar, in abeyance pending Inquiry due to the allegations levelled against him with regard to the processing of Maternity Leave of his subordinate and the incidents connecting to the same. The Syndicate inter-alia resolved to promote the next eligible incumbent in the cadre of Deputy Registrar as Joint Registrar with immediate effect and accordingly Smt.Sindhu George, was promoted as Joint Registrar vide U.O.No. Ad.AI/5026/2023/UOK dated 12.06.2023.

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, 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.P24 and P25 (promotion 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.*"

Accordingly, in compliance with the judgment dated 10.10.2023 in WP(C)No.20170/2023, Sri.D S Santhosh Kumar, Deputy Registrar, was promoted as Joint Registrar w.e.f. 12.06.2023 and Smt.Sindhu George, Joint Registrar, was reverted to the post of Deputy Registrar, vide U.O. No.Ad.AI/10055/2023/UOK dated 13.12.2023.

Meanwhile, Smt. Sindhu George, vide submission dated 12.12.2023, has requested for the declaration of her satisfactory completion of probation in the post of Joint Registrar, in the wake of the completion of six months on duty in the said post on 11.12.2023. Subsequently, she had also given a submission dated 14.12.2023 before the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, to take necessary steps on the following, considering the fact that she performed duties including issuance of various proceedings, signing of bank cheques, issuing communications of various meetings and marking attendance in the minutes, in her capacity as Joint Registrar, during the period from 12.06.2023 to 13.12.2023.

1. *The orders issued in U.O.No.Ad.AI/10055/2023/UOK dated 13.12.2023 may be modified with her reversion to the post of Deputy Registrar w.e.f the date of order, i.e., 13.12.2023 only.*
2. *Since she has completed six months of service in the post of Joint Registrar, the probation in the post of Joint Registrar may be declared w.e.f. 12.12.2023.*
3. *The salary drawn from 12.06.2023 to 13.12.2023 as Joint Registrar may not be reduced based on U.O.No.Ad.AI/10055/2023/UOK dated 13.12.2023.*

The file was forwarded for the remarks of the Finance Officer with regard to the feasibility of considering her request.

Subsequent to this, a meeting of the Officers of the Finance and Administration Wing was convened on 03.01.2024, 10:30 a.m. at the Office of the Registrar for discussing the matters relating to;

- i. fixation of pay and disbursement of monetary benefit in r/o Sri. D S Santhosh Kumar, who was promoted to the post of Joint Registrar w.e.f. 12.06.2023, vide U.O. No. Ad.AI/10055/2023/UOK dated 13.12.2023.
- ii. Recovery of pay given to Smt.Sindhu George in the post of Joint Registrar during the period from 12.06.2023 to 12.12.2023, in the wake of her requests in the submission dated 14/12/2023 and the orders of the Hon'ble VC thereon.

As per the recommendations of the above meeting, legal opinion was sought on the above matters from the Standing Counsel vide note dated 12/01/2024 and the Standing Counsel vide Note No. TA/SC-LO-2/2024 dated 19.01.2024, opined that- *"The denial of promotion to the petitioner and consequent erroneous promotion granted to Smt.Sindhu George are held to be wrong in the captioned judgment and in compliance with the judgment both have to be corrected. In other words Sri.D.S.Santhosh Kumar has to be given the benefits attached to the post of Joint Registrar w.e.f. 12.6.2023 and any amount paid in excess of her legally entitled claim as a Deputy Registrar has to be recovered from Smt. Sindhu George. For the aforesaid reasons the request made in the submission dated 14.12.2023 of Smt.Sindhu George cannot sustain in the eye of law and can only be rejected."*

Accordingly, the file was submitted for orders on whether, the above legal opinion on the request dated 14.12.2023 (submitted by Smt.Sindhu George), may be intimated to her and it is ordered to place the matter before the Syndicate.

Under these circumstances, as per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the request for declaration of probation (dated 12.12.2023) of Smt.Sindhu George in the post of Joint Registrar, by considering the period of duty performed by her in the said post in accordance with the U.O.No.Ad.AI/5026/2023/UOK dated 12.06.2023 (issued in compliance with the resolution of the Syndicate held on 09.06.2023) and her subsequent requests (dated 14.12.2023); consequent to the reversion from the post of Joint Registrar to Deputy Registrar, 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 alongwiththe legal opinion of the Standing Counsel.

Item No.13.12

***Construction of New Hostel for Men & ICCR Hostel at Kariavattom-
Minutes of the meeting with M/s.KSHB held on 22.06.2024-Consideration
of - 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' and sanctioned an amount of Rs.1.8 crore for the construction of new Hostel building for Men & ICCR Students, Kariavattom, vide the G.OR(t)No.995/2018/H.Edn dated 22.05.2018. However only Rs.12.04 crore was released by the Government in that year against the sanctioned Rs.27crore Plan Grant.

As per U.O no. PI.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% onworks.

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 Westside of the entrance to the Greenfield stadium' for construction of Men's & ICCR students' Hostel building at Kariavattom.

In the meeting of the Advisory Committee entrusted with monitoring the Construction of Staff Quarters, New Hostel for Men & ICCR Students and School of Communication & Library Science building at Kariavattom, held on 05.04.2023, the representatives of M/s KSHB reported that levelling work alone in the new site has been completed and has requested to grant a period of 10 months for the work. Considering the report of the University Engineer, the meeting of the Advisory Committee held on 05.04.2023 made the following recommendations.

- *To fix the ground level of the building at a reduced level of 10.8 m as suggested by M/s.KSHB.*
- *To accept the deviation in the earth cutting quantity in the approved estimate to 1667.771m³ with an additional expenditure of around Rs.2,50,000/- (Rupees Two lakh and fifty thousand only).*
- *To approve the remarks of the University Engineer on granting time of completion (ToC) to the contractor for the work as 10 months from the date of fixing the ground level of the building at the reduced level of 10.8 m.*
- *To direct M/s.KSHB to submit a supplemental MoU in connection with the retention amount, incorporating the clause regarding the quoted and accepted amount for the civil work package which is 3.9% above the tendered PAC, immediately.*

The Syndicate, vide item no.55.22 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 13.04.2023, has considered the above minutes of the meeting of the Advisory Committee held on 05.04.2023 and resolved to approve the same. But the issuance of University order in this regard was kept in abeyance as the meeting of the Advisory Committee held on 29.05.2023 for monitoring the progress of the project **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.

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 that payment of Rs.4,87,122/- was made so far and payment of Rs.7,79,156/- is expected. 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. Hence 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. Remarks of the Legal Adviser was also sought on the legality of with drawing from the MoU executed with an outside agency (M/sKSHB) for the construction work after

the handing over of the site and if agree able to drop the project. Accordingly, the Legal Adviser, vide letter dated 13.09.2023 has remarked to abstain from dropping the project and to proceed the work if possible. On the otherhand, if the decision is to aband on the project, should try for an amicable settlement with the party concerned by executing another MoU getting the University exonerated from any liability."Moreover, the Regional Engineer, vide letter dated 02.09.2023, received vide e-mail dated 04.09.2023 has informed the following:

- 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. 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.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.
- As perthe date ofhanding overof 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.
- The tax invoice in B2B format and duly filled Hand Receipt claiming the centage charge ofthework was submitted to the University. (Rs.6,67,773.19/- towards the 1st instalment of centage charge)
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

Inview 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. 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.

The Syndicate held on 28.12.2023 has considered the above remarks and resolved to entrustthe University Engineer to recast the estimate with current DSoR, for the construction of Newhostel for Men & ICCR Studentsat Kariavattom"and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development. The Syndicate has also resolved to have a discussion with M/s KSHB regarding the consultancy charges payments already taken by the firm for theworks.

Based on the above decision, the University Engineer, vide letter dated 11.01.2024, was directed to recast and submit the estimate for the construction of New Hostel for Men & ICCR Students at Kariavattom Campus", with current DSoR.

Instead of recasting the estimate, the University Engineer, vide dated 17.02.2024 has suggested to conduct a meeting with KSHB to finalize the following matters.

- Extension of period of MoU, if they are willing to execute the work as per the present contract.
- Revision of estimate as per current DSoR, if they are not willing to do the work as per the present contract. If so, revised Administrative sanction and revision of MoU is required.
- Cancellation of MoU is also required, if M/s.KSHB is not willing to proceed the work.

Accordingly a meeting with the Kerala State Housing Board was held at 11.30a.m on 22.06.2024 in the Registrar's Chamber.

Now, the Regional Engineer, KSHB, vide letter dated 28.06.2024 has informed that as decided in the meeting with KSHB held on 22.06.2024 in the Registrar's Chamber, the Chief Engineer, KSHB has conducted a discussion with Sri.Sreekumar.K.S, the contract or of the work "Construction of New Hostel for Men and ICCR Students at Kariavattom campus" on 25.06.2024 and the Contractor has put forward the following conditions to resume the work.

- The work was taken over by Sri.Sreekumar.K.S, the Contractor, as per the estimate prepared based on DSR 2016 and in the current situation price escalation is needed for the execution of work.
- The work can be proceeded only if the University is ready to effect the payment of bills within 15- 30 days from the date of submission of bills.

If unsatisfied with the above conditions, the Contractor has requested to effect the payment of bills submitted for the work already executed inconnection with the Construction of New Hostel for Men and ICCR Students at Kariavattom campus and to refund/ return the Security deposit/ Bank Guarantee to him.

Based on the above, the meeting conducted by KSHB on 25.06.2024 has decided to inform the above matter to the University and to request for the speedy release of the pending Centage charges of KSHB and the arrears to the Contractor.

The remarks of the University Engineer was sought in this regard and the reply is awaited.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the following are placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

- **The minutes of the meeting with the Kerala State Housing Board held on 22.06.2024 under the chairmanship of the Registrar.**
- **If the University decides to proceed with the project- "Construction of New Hostel for Men & ICCR Hostel at Kariavattom",**
 - a. Price escalation and bill payment condition put forward by the contractor.
 - b. The matter of granting extension of ToC of the work and executing supplementary agreement with KSHB.
 - c. Raising fund for the project.
- **3.If the University decides not to proceed with the project,**
 - a. Payment of bills submitted for the work already executed at the site and refund/ return of the Security deposit /Bank Guarantee to the contractor.
 - b. Consultancy charge/ payments to KSHB for the works already takenup by them.
 - c. Cancellation of MoU.

Copy of the minutes of the meeting held on 22.06.2024 and the letter dated 28.06.2024 from KSHB are attached herewith.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.

Item No.13.13 Conferment of Autonomous Status to Loyola College of Social Sciences- Intimation from Higher Education(C) Department – Consideration of- reg.

(Ac.D)

Ref: 1. Letter No.F.2-10/2023 (AC-Policy) dated 24.04.2024 From Deputy Secretary, UGC
2. Letter No.C3/72/2024-HEDN dated 10.07.2024 from the Principal Secretary to Government

Dr. Gopi Chand Merugu, Deputy Secretary, University Grants Commission, New Delhi, vide reference cited (1) above has informed that, the proposal for conferment of autonomous status submitted by Loyola College of Social Sciences, is considered by the UGC at its meeting held on 16.04.2024 and approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Autonomous Colleges to confer the autonomous status to Loyola College of Social Sciences for a period of 10 years from the academic year 2024-2025 to 2033-2034 as per clause 7.5 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023.

The University is therefore requested to issue necessary notification regarding the granting of Autonomous status to the College within 30 days, as per UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023.

Loyola College of Social Sciences has submitted application for autonomy on 03.03.2023 for perusal of University and for forwarding the same to the UGC by the Registrar. The Syndicate, at its meeting held on 30.03.2023, vide item no 54.40, considered the application for autonomy submitted by Loyola College of Social Sciences, Thiruvananthapuram along with the report submitted by the Sub-committee constituted to conduct inspection for considering the request for autonomy submitted by Loyola College of Social Sciences and resolved that a decision shall be taken in tune with the new Government Policy for granting autonomous status to the college after receiving order/directions from the Government. The matter was intimated to the Principal, vide letter No. Ac.D/1/67/2023 dated 01.04.2023.

The University Grants Commission, vide letter dated 24.01.2024 informed that Loyola College of Social Sciences has submitted a proposal for conferment of autonomous status and requested to provide comments of the University in this regard within 10 days of receipt of communication from the UGC. The decision of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 30.03.2023 was once again communicated to the UGC, vide letter no. Ac.D/4/22/2024 dated 30.01.2024.

On 25.04.2024, the UGC informed that the proposal for autonomy submitted by Loyola College of Social Sciences has been approved, at its meeting held on 16.04.2024 and requested the University to initiate necessary steps in this regard as per UGC Regulations 2023.

As per the University Grants Commission (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023, “the parent University shall issue notification within 30 days for a college to function as an autonomous entity once the autonomous status is conferred on the College by UGC”.(Section 04.02)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 02.07.2024, vide item no.11.28 considered the matter and resolved to seek the opinion of the Government regarding the granting of autonomy to Loyola College of Social Sciences, Thiruvananthapuram and to place the same before the Syndicate.

The Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, vide reference cited (2) above, has requested to take urgent further action on the matter in accordance with the guidelines provided by the UGC(Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges)Regulations,2023.

As per the orders of the Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of issuing a notification for conferment of Autonomous Status to Loyola College of Social Sciences along with the opinion of the Government, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to constitute a sub-committee consisting of Convenors of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Academic and Research & Affiliation of Colleges, Dr.S.Nazeeb, Dr.T.R.Manoj, Members Syndicate and Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences to conduct an inspection in the Loyola College of Social Sciences, Thiruvananthapuram regarding the conferment of Autonomous Status to the College and submit a detailed report.

Item No.13.14

The preparation of DCB Statement with regard to Special Fees and the status of Special Fee dues – Consideration of-reg.

(Revenue Audit)

Revenue Audit section is entrusted with the preparation of DCB statement of Special Fees remitted exclusively to the seven heads by the students admitted to various Arts & Science Colleges, Professional Colleges, Training Colleges, University Institutes of Technology, University Institutes of Management, Kerala University Colleges of Teacher Education & Teaching Departments affiliated to the University of Kerala. The section has implemented various action plans for collecting the fee from these Institutions from time to time.

Circulars directing the Colleges to collect the Special Fees from each student admitted are issued at the commencement of every academic year itself. The Proforma showing the strength of students admitted and the format of DCB statement are also being forwarded.

All the related documents submitted by each College are scrutinized thoroughly and the defects noted are duly communicated to the Colleges via E-mail and Telephone. The DCB for Colleges which have not submitted the documents yet, is prepared as per the data provided by the Kerala University Computer Centre.

The DCB Statment of Special Fees from the academic year 2017-18 to 2023-24 is periodically being reviewed and updated. After that, the Colleges having dues are repeatedly intimated with Letters & Phone calls. Colleges not responding to the communications are then being informed with reminders too.

The major portion of the total dues is pertaining to the Fee concession students (for UG – SC & ST and for PG – SC, ST & OEC). As per the policy of the Government, the fee for them is being directly credited to the beneficiaries' Bank account from the respective Government Departments through E-Grantz. It is completely vested upon the Colleges that to collect the fee from them and to remit the same into Kerala University Fund.

Certain Colleges have informed that the delay in reimbursing the fee through E- Grantz causes delay in the remittance to the Kerala University Fund, and even after having reimbursed the amount to the account, the students are hardly remitting the fee to the Colleges within the stipulated time. Further, it has been observed that certain Colleges are not submitting the details of fee remittance even after remitted it into the Kerala University Fund. Since, the details of fee remittance are not entered in the DCB register, the dues remian uncleared.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 02.07.2021 (Item No.29.44.01) has resolved 'to verify the status of remittance of Special Fee by the Affiliated Colleges during the conduct of inspection in affiliated colleges for the purpose of Continuance of Affiliation'. Accordingly, the list of Colleges having Special Fee dues has already been forwarded to the academic section concerned. As a result of this, some Colleges have started remitting the fees to the University Fund, yet some of them are stillnot taking initiatives to clear the fee dues.

List of Colleges who have not responded to the communication and are having dues above Rupees Three Lakhs is attached as Appendix.

It is evident from the table that, a lumpsum amount of Special Fee is due to the University from the enlisted Colleges.

The Professional Colleges and Autonomous Colleges listed in the table are conducting admission through Offline mode. Therefore, the exact dues with regard to them can only be calculated on receiving the details required. The current dues for Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkkada (Professional College) is incomplete and is still liable to clear a due of Rs.6,94,000/- which is for the single academic year (2020-21 academic year); the Academy has not submitted any details in order to calculate the dues for the other three academic years (2021-22,2022-23 & 2023-24). It may be noted that, when the fee for other three academic years' is added the Academy will be liable to clear the huge dues thus arrived. Similarly, Mar IvaniosCollege,Nalanchira(Autonomous) is liable to clear Rs.12,31,815/- as Special Fee dues and has not submitted any details to calculate the dues for the other two academic years (2020-21 & 2022-23).

In addition to the details of Colleges mentioned in the Appendix, the details of other Collges having Special Fee dues from the academic year 2017-18 to 2023-24 and the Dues List have also been submitted. Thereby, the total dues to be collected over the last 7 years amounts to Rs.1,75,25,661/-.

It is observed from the table that, the tendancy of such Colleges not to submit adequate details related to Special Fees leads the University to face a huge revenue loss.

The objections from State Audit Department & AG Audit are being communicated with all the colleges concerned and the status of Special Fee dues for each College is reported to the Audit Department as well.

In the light of the above, the whole matter is 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 Finance.

Item No.13.15 **College Union Elections 2024-25-Conduct of Election – Consideration of-
reg.**

(Election Section)

College Union elections are usually conducted during the third quarter of an academic year, and the councillor selected from the colleges form the General Council of the Kerala University Union.

From 2006 onwards, College Union elections have been held in accordance with the guidelines provided in the Lyngdoh Committee recommendations, as approved by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. According to clause 6.4.2 of the Lyngdoh Committee recommendations, "the elections should be held between 6 to 8 weeks from the date of the commencement of the Academic Session," i.e., during the first quarter of the academic year. Since 2006, the University has been following

Article 6.2.2 of the Lyngdoh Committee recommendations for the conduct of College Union elections. Generally, the University informs affiliated colleges to follow Article 6.2.2, which prescribes "A system of election, where colleges and campuses directly elect college and campus office bearers, as well as University representatives. The University representatives form an electoral college, which shall elect the University Student Union Office bearers." The usual practice is to conduct the College Union elections in colleges affiliated with the University after the completion of U.G. and P.G. admissions. This ensures the participation of first-year U.G. and P.G. students in the election process. Currently, the U.G. admissions are nearly complete, and P.G. admissions are expected to be completed by the last week of August. Unlike other elections, the Syndicate decides the date of the College Union elections.

This year, the Government, vide GONo640/2024/HEDN dated 06.06.2024, has issued directions to all universities to follow the uniform academic calendar, which mandates that the College Union elections in colleges shall be conducted before September 30, 2024. Therefore, a decision in tune with the government directives needs to be considered regarding the conduct of College Union elections for 2024-2025.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding the conduct of College Union Elections 2024-25 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and for proposing a date during the month of September for the conduct of College Union Elections 2024-25.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to conduct the College Union Election 2024-25 on 27.09.2024 and issue notification accordingly.

Item No.13.16 **Autonomous Colleges- Issuance of Provisional and Degree Certificates to
UG Students-2021-2024 Admission and Non payment of fine-Reporting of-
reg.**

(Ac.D)

The Final Semester exams of 2021-2024 admission of UG Students of two Autonomous Colleges affiliated to the University viz, Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram and Fatima Mata National College, Kollam, are completed and the results have been published. Considering the issuance of Degree certificates to the Students of these two Autonomous Colleges, the following facts may be noted.

The ratification of affiliation status to the self financing programmes of Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous) viz, **BSc Computer Science, BA English & Communicative English, BA Analytical Economics & BSc Statistics**, started at Mar Vanios College (Autonomous) is pending due to the non-payment of fine (Rs.6,25,000/-, Rupees Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only) imposed to the institution for excess admissions made in the Academic Year 2019-22 and for starting the programmes without prior sanction from the University. Additionally, the College authorities have not remitted the Annual administration fee for Self Financing Courses for the Academic Year 2024-2025.

An amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rs One Lakh Only) charged as fine for Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam for admitting excess students in various UG Programmes in the Academic Year 2019-22, have not remitted by the College authorities till date. The Annual Administration fee for Self Financing Courses is pending for the Academic Year 2021-2022, 2023-2024.

The Syndicate, held on 12.07.2023 vide item no. 01.14 considered the requests of two Principals to waive the fine imposed to the institutions and resolved that, not to consider the request for waiving the fine imposed to the Fatima Mata National College, Kollam and Mar Ivanios College Thiruvananthapuram.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges , vide item no.A05 considered the matter regarding issuance of Provisional/Degree Certificate to the UG students of 2021-2024 Admission of Autonomous Colleges and recommended that the Provisional/Degree Certificates of Students of 2021 to 2024 admission be issued. 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. Further, the committee recommended that the matter of non payment of fine by the colleges be referred to the Syndicate.

The recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation was approved by the Vice-Chancellor in exercise of the powers vested under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974, subject to reporting to the Syndicate for initiating immediate action.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor the matter regarding,

- 1) The non payment of a fine amounting to Rs.6,25,000/- (Rs. Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only) by Mar Ivanios College and Rs.1,00,000/- (Rs. One Lakh Only) by Fatima mata National College, Kollam for excess admissions made in the Academic Year 2019-22 and for starting the programmes without prior sanction from the University is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

And,

- 2) The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in having approved the issuance of the Provisional/ Degree Certificates to the UG Students of 2021-2024 Admission in both Autonomous Colleges 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.13.17

Construction of a new Security post near the Teacher's Hostel, Kariavattom and deployment of two Security Staff-Consideration of-reg.

(Ad.AII)

A meeting held on 07.06.2024 at Kariavattom Campus, proposed the construction of new security post near Teacher's Hostel, Kariavattom and also to depute two security staff in the Women's Hostel and Teacher's Hostel, while discussing the serious issues faced by the Hostel students.

Joint Registrar, Kariavattom while forwarding the request of Security Officer, Kariavattom Campus has remarked to take further necessary action for the construction of new security post and the deployment of Security Staff.

Here, It may be noted that, the sanctioned posts of Security personnel in the University Office are as shown below:-

Post	Sanctioned Strength	Present Strength	
		Permanent/ on deputation basis	on casual basis
Security Officer	2	2	-
Assistant Security Officer	2	2	-
Security Guards	98	-	104

Present strength of Casual Security Guards at Kariavattom Campus is 37 working in 3 shifts. After giving the duty off for 2 persons, 10 casual Security Guards are deployed in one shift. A proposal for engaging more security staff in the places such as Women's Hostel has placed in the previous syndicate and awaiting decision in this regard.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request submitted by the Security Officer, Kariavattom for the construction of a new Security Post near the Teacher's Hostel, Kariavattom and to depute two Security Staff in the Women's Hostel and Teachers Hostel, is placed before the Syndicate, for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to approve the proposal for the construction of a new Security Post near the Teacher's Hostel, Kariavattom and depute two Security Staff in the Women's Hostel and Teachers Hostel.

Item No.13.18 **Minutes of the discussion- Transfer of Second Semester BCA Students of R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Chathannur to Sree Narayana College of Technology, Vadakkevila -for approval- reg.**

(Ac.BII)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.05.2024 vide item no.10.92.07 resolved to entrust the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges to have a discussion with concerned colleges regarding the transfer of students of second semester BCA programme in order to protect the students career.

Accordingly, the discussion had been conducted on 20.07.2024 at 10.30 am in the Syndicate room.

The minutes of the discussion by the members of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges with the authorities of R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Chathannur and Sree Narayana College of Technology, Vadakkevila regarding transfer of second semester BCA students held on 20.07.2024 at 10.30 am may be seen appended.

On the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the Minutes of the discussion is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision.

MINUTES OF THE DISCUSSION HELD ON 20.07.2024 BETWEEN THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE ON AFFILIATION OF COLLEGES WITH THE AUTHORITIES OF R.SANKAR COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE, CHATHANNUR & SREE NARAYANA COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY, VADAKKEVILA REGARDING TRANSFER OF 2ND SEMESTER BCA STUDENTS

Date & Time : 20.07.2024 & 10.30 am
Venue : Syndicate room, University Buildings

Members :

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| 1. Sri.R Rajesh, Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges | Sd/- |
| 2. Adv.Muralidharan Pillai G., Member, Syndicate | Sd/- |
| 3. Dr.Shiju Khan J.S., Member, Syndicate | Sd/- |

Parties present:

1. Dr.Anitha Sankar C., Principal, Sree Narayana College of Technology, Vadakkevila, Kollam
2. Reshmi Jayachandran, Principal in charge, R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Chathannur, Kollam
3. Rejaneesh Ravi, Asst.Prof., BCA Department, R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Chathannur, Kollam

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.05.2024 vide item no.10.92.07 considered the request made by the Secretary, Sree Narayana Educational Society, Vadakkevila, Kollam to transfer second semester BCA students of R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Vilappuram, Chathannur to Sree Narayana College of Technology, Kollam during the next academic session.

And resolved to entrust the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges to have a discussion with concerned colleges regarding the transfer of students of second semester BCA programme in order to protect the students career. Accordingly letter dated 19.06.2024 had been forwarded to Sree Narayana Educational Society, Vadakkevila, Kollam and Sree Narayana College of Technology, Vadakkevila, Kollam.

As per the resolution of the Syndicate held on 09.05.2024 vide item no.10.92.07, the discussion with concerned colleges regarding the transfer of students of second semester BCA programme from R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Vilappuram, Chathannur to Sree Narayana College of Technology, Kollam had been conducted on 20.07.2024 at 10.30 am in the Syndicate room.

The Secretary, Sree Narayana Educational Society, Vadakkevila vide letter dated 19.07.2024 authorised Dr.AnithaSankar.C, the Principal of Sree Narayana College of Technology, Vadakkevila, Kollam and Asst.Prof.Reshmi Jayachandran, the Principal in charge of R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Chathannur to attend the meeting on behalf of the management.

The Principal, R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Chathannoor also submitted a representation signed by the 19 students of second semester BCA of the college expressing their willingness to continue their studies in Sree Narayana College of Technology, Kollam from III rd semester onwards.

Dr.AnithaSankar.C, the Principal of Sree Narayana College of Technology, Vadakkevila, Kollam intimated they have 56 seats sanctioned during 2023-24 academic year (including marginal increase) and presently there is 35 students only. Hence Sree Narayana College of Technology, Vadakkevila, has the vacancy to accommodate 19 students from R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Chathannoor.

The Committee discussed the matter in detail with the colleges authorities concerned. The Committee observed that the Notification inviting applications for the College Transfer of 3rd semester students has been issued on 18.07.2024 hence the legitimate right of students to choose the college for transfer cannot be curtailed.

The Committee recommended to reject the request submitted the Secretary, Sree Narayana Educational Society, Vadakkevila, Kollam for transfer of students of BCA programme in R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Vilappuram, Chathannur to Sree Narayana College of Technology, Kollam.

The discussion came to a close at 11.00 am.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges with the authorities of R.Sankar College of Arts & Science, Chathannur & Sree Narayana College of Technology, Vadakkevila held on 20.07.2024, be approved.

ItemNo.13.19 *Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 26.07.2024 - consideration of – reg.*

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The Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 26.07.2024 (ONLY one item) may be seen appended.

On the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges are placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE ON AFFILIATION OF COLLEGES

Date : 26/07/2024
Time : 11:15 a.m.
Venue : Syndicate Room, University of Kerala

Members Present

1. Sri.R.Rajesh	Member, Syndicate (Convener)	Sd/-
2. Adv.Muralidharan Pillai. G.	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
3. Dr.Shijukhan. J.S	Member, Syndicate	Online

Item No.13.19.01 *Applications for Affiliation of New Courses/Permanent enhancement of seats/Additional batch in Colleges for the academic year 2024-'25 – reports of local enquiry conducted – consideration of – reg.*

Applications for affiliation of new courses/Permanent enhancement of seats/Additional batch in existing courses in Colleges for the academic year 2024 – '25 were received from Educational Agencies of various affiliated colleges pursuant to notification dated 07.08.2023.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.10.2023 vide item no.05.52.01, 05.52.02, 05.52.03 and 05.52.04 considered the Applications for Affiliation of New Courses/ Permanent enhancement of seats/ additional batches in Affiliated Colleges for the Academic Year 2024-'25 and resolved to entrust Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate to constitute team to conduct local enquiry as

stipulated in Statute 8 of Chapter 24, Kerala University First Statutes, 1977 in the applicant colleges and then the Vice Chancellor approved the list of team submitted by the Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for conducting local enquiry at the applicant colleges.

The Principal, Sree Narayana Guru College of Advanced Studies, Punalur vide letter no.94/SNGCAS/2024 dated 20.05.2024 had requested to withdraw their application for affiliation of new course - BCA for the academic year 2024-25. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 02.07.2024 vide item no.11.132.08 considered the request and resolved to permit the college to withdraw the application for affiliation of new UG programme as per Statute 13, Chapter 24 of the Kerala University First Statutes 1977. Accordingly local enquiry was not conducted in respect of their application.

The Principal, St. Gregorios College, Kottarakkara had submitted an application for affiliation of M.Sc Statistics with specialisation in Data Analytics and M.Sc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology (Sl.No.24 in the following table). Later, vide e-mail dated 16.05.2024 they had requested for changing M.Sc Statistics with specialisation in Data Analytics to B.Sc Statistics Honours. The request for change for programme was intimated to the local enquiry team during their inspection at college.

Accordingly, local enquiries were conducted and the recommendations in the reports received are as follows.

Sl. No	Name of the College	New Courses applied for	Local Enquiry Team		Recommendations	
AUTONOMOUS						
1.	Mar Ivanios College, Nalanchira	UG	1.	B.Com (Supply Chain Management and Logistics)(Aided)	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended for following programme in AIDED mode only. 1. FYUGP B.Com Honours with Logistics and Supply Chain Management 2. M.Sc. Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology
			2.	B.A (Hons) in Retail Marketing (Aided)		
		PG	1.	MSc (Food Technology and Quality Assurance) (Aided)		
			2.	MSc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology (Aided)		
2.	Fatima Mata National College, Kollam	UG	1.	BSW (Aided)	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended for following programmes in AIDED mode only. 1. FYUGP BSW Honours 2. Additional Batch FYUGP B.Com Honours with Elective Finance.
		PG	1.	MA History (Aided)		
			2.	MSc Geology (Aided)		
		UG Additional Batch	1.	B.Com Finance (Aided)		
		Increase in intake	1.	B.Sc. Psychology		
2.	B A History					
GOVERNMENT						
3.	Government Arts & Science College, Ambalapuzha	UG	1.	B.Sc. Physics And Computer Application	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for following programmes . 1. FYUGP B.Sc Physics and Computer Applications Honours 2. FYUGP B.A English Honours
			2.	B.A. English Language & Literature		
		PG	1.	MSc Mathematics		

						3. M Sc Mathematics	
4.	Govt. K.N.M Arts & Science College, Kanjiramkulam	UG	1.	B.A.(Hons.) in Public Administration	1.Adv.G. Muralidharan Pillai	Recommended for following programmes. 1.FYUGP B.A. Public Administration (Hons.) 2. FYUGP B.Sc Computer Science Honours 3.M.A Business Economics 4. M A English with Media Studies.	
			2.	B.Sc. Computer Science	2.Sri.R.Rajesh		
		PG	1.	MA Public Administration	3.Dr.S.Jayan		
			2.	M A English with Media Studies			
			3.	MA Business Economics			
			4.	M.Com. Blue Economy			
			5.	M. Com Supply Chain and Logistics Operations			
6.	MA in Social Policy and Governance						
5.	Govt. College, Nedumangad	UG	1.	B.A. English and Media Studies	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S	Recommended for the following programmes. 1. M Sc Physics with specialisation in Nano science 2.FYUGP B.A. English and Media Studies Honours 3.FYUGP B.A. Political Science Honours	
			2.	B.Sc. Computer Science with Specialization in AI			2. Dr. Gopchandran K G
			3.	B.A. Political Science and Human Rights			
		PG	1.	MSc Physics with specialisation in Nano science			
			2.	M.A. Hindi and Media Studies			
6.	Government Arts & Science College, Kulathoor, Neyyattinkara	PG	1.	MSc Geography	1.Adv.G. Muralidharan Pillai	Recommended only for MSc Geography.	
			2.	MSc Bio Chemistry			2.Sri.R.Rajesh 3.Dr.S.Jayan
AIDED							
7.	All Saints' College, Thiruvananthapuram	UG	1.	B.A. Malayalam And Mass Communication	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai	Recommended to start 1. M.Sc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology 2. FYUGP B.A. Malayalam And Mass Communication Honours	
		PG	1.	MSc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology	2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan		
8.	Bishop Jesudasan CSI Arts & Science College, Mulayara, Thiruvananthapuram	UG	1.	B.A. Malayalam And Mass Communication	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai	Recommended to start 1. FYUGP B.A. Malayalam And Mass Communication Honours 2. MCom Finance &	
		PG	1.	MCom Finance & Accounting	2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan		

						Accounting
9.	Christian College, Chengannur	UG	1.	B.Sc. Psychology	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran KG 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for FYUGP B.Sc. Psychology Honoursprogramme.
10.	Iqbal College, Peringamala	UG	1.	B.A. Arabic Language & Literature	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran KG 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for the following programmes. 1 FYUGP B.A. Arabic Honours 2. M.A. Political Scienceand International Relations
		PG	1.	MA English		
			2.	MA Political Science and International Relations		
11.	MSM (Milad – E – Sherief Memorial) College, Kayamkulam	UG	1.	B.A. Hindi Language & Literature	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for the following programmes. 1. FYUGP B.ComHonours with Business Information Systems 2. MSc Botany
			2.	B.Com Commerce with Computer Application		
		PG	1.	MSc Botany		
			2.	MA Economics		
12.	S.D. College, Sanadanapuram, Alappuzha	UG	1.	B.A. Sanskrit General	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended to start following programmes. 1.FYUGP B.A. Sanskrit General(Hons.) 2. MA Hindi
		PG	1.	MA Hindi		
			2.	MA History		
13.	Santhom Malankara Arts and Science College, Thiruvananthapuram	UG	1.	B.Sc. Psychology	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended for the following programmes. 1. FYUGP B.Sc. Psychology Honours 2. MA English
		UG	1.	B.A. Economics		
		PG	1.	MA English		
			2.	MCom Finance & Accounting		
14.	Sree Sankara College, Nagaroor, Kilimanoor	UG	1.	B.A. Journalism And Mass Communication	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai	Recommended for the following programmes. 1. FYUGP B.A. Journalism And Mass Communication Honours 2. MCom Finance & Accounting
			2.	B.A. English and Malayalam Literatures		
		PG	1.	MCom Finance & Accounting		
15.	Sri Sathya Sai Arts & Science College, Thiruvananthapuram	UG	1.	B.Com Commerce & Tourism And Travel Management	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for the following programmes. 1. FYUGP B.ComHonours with Commerce & Tourism And Travel Management 2.FYUGP B.A. Economics and
			2.	B.Sc. Psychology		
			3.	B.A. Economics and Mathematics		
			4.	B.A. Malayalam And Mass Communication		
			5.	B.A. English and		

				Malayalam Literatures		Mathematics Honours
16.	St. Cyril's College, Adoor	UG	1.	B.Sc. Physics	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended only for FYUGP B.Sc. Physics (Hons.).
17.	St. Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha	UG	1.	B.Sc. Psychology	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended for the following programmes. 1.Msc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology 2.FYUGP B.Sc. Psychology Honours
		PG	1.	MCom Finance & Accounting		
			2.	M.Sc. Counselling Psychology		
			3.	MSc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology		
4.	MSc Zoology with specialisation in Bio systematics and Biodiversity					
18.	St. Michael's College, Cherthala	UG	1.	B.Sc. Mathematics	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended only for FYUGP B.Sc. Mathematics (Hons.).
			2.	B.A. Malayalam And Mass Communication		
19.	TKM College of Arts & Science, Kollam	UG	1.	B.Sc. Computer Science	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for the following programmes. 1. FYUGP B.Sc. Computer Science Honours 2. MSc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology
		PG	1.	MSc Computer Science		
			2.	MSc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology		
20.	S.N. College, Chempazhanthy	PG	1.	MSc Psychology	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended only for MSc Psychology.
			2.	MCom		
21.	SN College for Women, Kollam	PG	1.	MA History	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for the following programmes. 1. MA History 2. MA Music
			2.	MA Music		
22.	SN College, Cherthala	PG	1.	MCom International Trade	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended only for MCom International Trade.
			2.	MA Political Science		
23.	St. Gregorios College, Kottarakkara	PG	1.	MSc Statistics with specialization in	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan	Recommended for the following

				Data Analytics	Pillai	programmes.
			2.	MSc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology	2.Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	1. FYUGP B.Sc Statistics (Hons). 2. M.Sc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology
24.	St. John`s College, Anchal	PG	1.	MA English	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S	Recommended for MA English programme.
			2.	MCom Finance & Accounting	2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	
Un -Aided						
25.	Emmanuel College, Vazhichal	UG	1.	BCA	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for BCA programme.
26.	KVM College of Arts and Science, Cherthala	UG	1.	B.Sc. Psychology	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended only for MSc Biotechnology.
			2.	B.A. English and Malayalam Literatures		
		UG	1.	BSW		
		PG	1.	MSc Bio Technology		
27.	Lourdes Matha College of Arts and Science, Kuttichal, Thiruvananthapuram	UG	1.	BCA	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for BCA programme.
28.	M.E.S. Arts and Science College, Chathannoor	UG	1.	BBA Logistics	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for FYUGP BBA Honoursprogramme.
			2.	BCA		
			3.	B.Com (Accounting with Finance/Co-operation/Travel & Tourism/ Banking & Insurance/Computer Application)		
29.	Mar Thoma College of Science & Technology, Chadayamangalam, Kollam	UG	1.	B.Com. Accounts & Data Science	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended to start FYUGP B.Com. Honours with Accounts & Data Science
30.	MGM College of Arts & Science, Kaniyapuram	UG	1.	B.Com Commerce & Tax Procedure and Practice	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for FYUGP B.ComHonours with Taxation programme.
		UG	1.	B.Com Accounting with Finance		
31.	Najeeth royal college of arts and science,	UG	1.	B.Sc. Psychology	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S	Recommended for FYUGP B.Sc.
			2.	BBA		

	Cherinniyoor, Varkala		3.	B.A. English Language & Literature	2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Psychology Honoursprogramme.	
			4.	B.Com Commerce with Computer Application			
			PG	1.			MA English
			2.	MCom Finance & Accounting			
32.	National College, Manacaud	UG	1.	BBA Logistics	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for FYUGP BBA Honoursprogramme.	
33.	Sree Narayana Guru College of Advanced Studies, Cherthala	UG	1.	BSW	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for FYUGP BSW Honoursprogramme.	
			2.	BBA Logistics			
34.	Sree Narayana Guru College of Advanced Studies, Nangiarkulangara	UG	1.	BBA Logistics	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended for FYUGP BBA Honoursprogramme.	
35.	Kerala Institute of Tourism and Travel Studies, Thycaud	PG	1.	MTTM	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2.Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended only for MTTM programme.	
36.	Mar Gregorious College of Law, Thiruvananthapuram	UG	1.	Integrated Five year BA (Economics) LL.B	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended for following courses. 1. LL.M - Maritime Law	
		PG	1.	2 Year LL.M (Criminal Law)			
			2.	2 Year LL.M (Cyber Law & Cyber Forensic Law)			
		PG	1.	2 Year LL.M (Maritime Law)			
2.	2 Year LL.M (International Trade Law)						
37.	CSI Institute of Legal Studies, Thiruvananthapuram	PG	1.	LLM Criminal Law, Criminology & Penology	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai	Recommended for LLM Criminal Law, Criminology & Penology programme.	
38.	K.V.M College of Special Education, Cherthala	UG	1.	B.Voc in Information Technology	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended to start B.Voc in Information Technology.	

39.	CHMM College for Advanced Studies, Chavancode, Varkala	UG Seat increase	1.	B.Sc. Computer Science	1. Dr. Shijukhan. J.S 2. Dr. Gopchandran K G 3. Dr. P.M. Radhamany	Recommended to increase the seats of BCA and BBA to 60.
			2.	BCA		
			3.	B.Com Elective-Computer Application		
			4.	BBA		
40.	Mar Gregorios College of Arts & Science, Punnapra	UG Additional Batch	1.	BCA	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R. Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended only for an additional batch of BCA.
41.	Naipunnya School of Management, Cherthala	UG Additional Batch	1.	BCA	1. Adv. G. Muralidharan Pillai 2. Sri.R.Rajesh 3. Dr. S. Jayan	Recommended only for an additional batch of BCA.

It may also be noted, K.V.M College of Special Education, Cherthala had submitted an application for affiliation of B.Voc in Information Technology (Sl.No.39 in the table). Now, vide letter no.KVMT/COSE/B.VOC IT/04/2024 dated 22.04.2024 they had submitted a request for issuing affiliation order to this course. The Higher Education Department vide G.O(Rt)No.835/2023/HEDN dated 08.06.2023 had accorded administrative sanction to start B.Voc Programme in Information Technology in the self financing stream in K.V.M College of Special Education, Cherthala during the academic year 2023-'24 in compliance with the directions in the Judgment dated 16.01.2023 of Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No.708 of 2023. NOC for starting B.Voc Programme in Information Technology under UGC-NSQF in self financing stream in K.V.M College of Special Education, Cherthala for the academic year 2023-'24 had also been issued by the Government vide G.O(Ms) No.377/2023/HEDN dated 05.07.2023.

The procedures to be followed on receipt of the report of local enquiry is stipulated in Statute 9, Chapter 24 of KUFS, 1977, Grant of affiliation:- "After considering the report of the local enquiry, if any, and after making any further enquiry as it may deem necessary, the Syndicate shall decide after considering the report of the local enquiry and also after ascertaining the views of the Government whether the affiliation be granted or refused, either in whole or in part. In case the affiliation is granted, the fact shall be reported to the Senate at its next meeting. The views of the Government may be ascertained before granting affiliation."

Accordingly, as per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the reports of the Local Enquiry conducted in the affiliated colleges with respect to the Applications for Affiliation of new courses/ Permanent enhancement of seats/Additional Batch submitted by various Educational Agencies for the academic year 2024 - '25 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the reports submitted by the local enquiry teams and recommended the following.

- To approve the Principal, St. Gregorios College, Kottarakkara to change the programme in the application from M.Sc Statistics with specialisation in Data Analytics to B.Sc Statistics Honours.*
- To approve the reports of Local Enquiry with respect to application for affiliation of new courses/ Additional batches in affiliated colleges and to seek views of the Government in starting the following programmes in affiliated colleges which have been recommended by the local enquiry teams.*

Sl. No	Name of the College	programmes
AUTONOMOUS		
1.	Mar Ivanios College, Nalanchira	Recommended for following programme in AIDED mode only. 1. FYUGP B.Com (Hons.) with Logistics and Supply Chain Management

		2. M.Sc. Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology
2.	Fatima Mata National College, Kollam	Recommended to start the following programmes in AIDED mode only. 1. FYUGP BSW (Hons.) 2. Additional Batch FYUGP B.Com (Hons.)with Elective Finance.
GOVERNMENT		
3.	Government Arts & Science College, Ambalapuzha	1. FYUGP B.Sc Physics and Computer Applications (Hons.) 2. FYUGP B.A English (Hons.) 3. M Sc Mathematics
4.	Govt. K.N.M Arts & Science College, Kanjiramkulam	1.FYUGP B.A. Public Administration (Hons.) 2. FYUGP B.Sc Computer Science (Hons.) 3.M.A Business Economics 4. M A English with Media Studies.
5.	Govt. College, Nedumangad	1. M Sc Physics with specialisation in Nano science 2.FYUGP B.A. English and Media Studies (Hons.) 3.FYUGP B.A. Political Science (Hons.)
6.	Government Arts & Science College,Kulathoor, Neyyattinkara	1.MSc Geography.
7.	All Saints' College, Thiruvananthapuram	1. M.Sc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology 2. FYUGP B.A. Malayalam and Mass Communication (Hons.)
8.	Bishop Jesudasan CSI Arts & Science College, Mulayara, Thiruvananthapuram	1. FYUGP B.A. Malayalam And Mass Communication (Hons.) 2. M Com Finance & Accounting
9.	Christian College, Chengannur	1. FYUGP B.Sc. Psychology (Hons.) programme.
10.	Iqbal College, Peringamala	1 FYUGP B.A. Arabic (Hons.) 2. M.A. Political Science and International Relations
11.	MSM (Milad – E – Sherief Memorial) College, Kayamkulam	1. FYUGP B.Com (Hons.) with Business Information Systems 2. MSc Botany
12.	S.D. College, Sanadanapuram, Alappuzha	1. FYUGP B.A. Sanskrit General (Hons.) 2. MA Hindi
13.	Santhom Malankara Arts and Science College, Thiruvananthapuram	1. FYUGP B.Sc. Psychology (Hons.) 2. MA English
14.	Sree Sankara College, Nagaroor, Kilimanoor	1.FYUGP B.A. Journalism and Mass Communication (Hons.) 2. M Com Finance & Accounting
15.	Sri Sathya Sai Arts & Science College, Thiruvananthapuram	1. FYUGP B.Com (Hons.) with Tourism and Travel Management 2.FYUGP B.A. Economics and Mathematics(Hons.)
16.	St. Cyril's College, Adoor	1. FYUGP B.Sc.Physics (Hons.).
17.	St. Joseph's College for Women, Alappuzha	1. Msc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology 2. FYUGP B.Sc. Psychology (Hons.)
18.	St. Michael's College,Cherthala	1. FYUGP B.Sc. Mathematics (Hons.).
19.	TKM College of Arts & Science, Kollam	1. FYUGP B.Sc. Computer Science (Hons.) 2. MSc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology

20.	S.N. College, Chempazhanchy	1. MSc Psychology.
21.	SN College for Women, Kollam	1. MA History 2. MA Music
22.	SN College, Cherthala	1.M.Com International Trade.
23.	St. Gregorios College, Kottarakkara	1. FYUGP B.Sc Statistics (Hons). 2. M.Sc Botany with Specialisation in Ethano Botany and Ethano Pharmacology
24.	St. John`s College, Anchal	1.MA English
UN- AIDED		
25	Emmanuel College, Vazhichal	1.BCA
26	KVM College of Arts and Science, Cherthala	1.M Sc Biotechnology.
27	Lourdes Matha College of Arts and Science, Kuttichal, Thiruvananthapuram	1. BCA
28	M.E.S. Arts and Science College, Chathannoor	1.FYUGP BBA (Hons.)
29	Mar Thoma College of Science & Technology, Chadayamangalam, Kollam	1. FYUGP B.Com. (Hons.)with Accounts & Data Science
30	MGM College of Arts & Science, Kaniyapuram	1.FYUGP B.Com (Hons.) with Taxation
31	Najeeth royal college of arts and science, Cherinniyoor, Varkala	1.FYUGP B.Sc. Psychology (Hons.)
32	National College, Manacaud	1. FYUGP BBA (Hons.)
33	Sree Narayana Guru College of Advanced Studies, Cherthala	1. FYUGP BSW (Hons.)
34	Sree Narayana Guru College of Advanced Studies, Nangiarkulangara	1.FYUGP BBA (Hons.)
35	Kerala Institute of Tourism and Travel Studies, Thycaud	1. MTTM
36	Mar Gregorious College of Law, Thiruvananthapuram	1. LL.M - Maritime Law
37	CSI Institute of Legal Studies, Thiruvananthapuram	1. LLM Criminal Law,Criminology& Penology
38	Mar Gregorios College of Arts & Science, Punnapra	1.Additional batch of BCA.
39	Naipunya School of Management, Cherthala	1.Additional batch of BCA.

Further specified that the new courses in Autonomous colleges be forwarded for Government views under Aided category only.

4. To grant permanent enhancement of seats to following programmes in CHMM College for Advanced Studies, Chavarcode, Varkalaas recommended by the Local Enquiry team from the academic year 2024-'25, subject to fulfillment of procedural formalities of affiliation.

Sl.No.	Name of Programme	Existing Sanctioned Strength	Sanctioned Permanent Enhancement	NewSanctioned Strength
1.	BBA	30	30	60
2.	BCA	30	30	60

5. *To conduct inspection at K.V.M College of Special Education, Cherthala by a team consisting of Dr.Aji.S, Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science as Subject Expert, Sri.R.Rajesh, Adv.Muralidharan Pillai. G. and Dr.Shijukhan. J.S, Members, Syndicate in respect of their application for affiliation of B.Voc in Information Technology programme as Government has already accorded positive views to start the programme vide G.O(Rt)No.835/2023/HEDN dated 08.06.2023.*

The meeting came to an end at 11.30 a.m.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED to change the programmes sanctioned to Najeeth Royal College of Arts and Science, Cherinniyoor, Varkala from FYUGP B.Sc. Psychology (Hons.) to FYUGP BBA (Hons.) based on the letter dated 30.08.2024 received from the Principal, Najeeth Royal College of Arts and Science, Cherinniyoor, Varkala.

Item No.13.20 Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024 - Consideration of – reg.

(Ac.BII)

The Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024 may be seen appended.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on affiliation of colleges are placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision.

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE ON AFFILIATION OF COLLEGES

Date : 07/08/2024
Time : 11.15 a.m.
Venue : Syndicate Room, University of Kerala

Members Present

Sri.R.Rajesh	Member, Syndicate (Convener)	Sd/-
Adv.Muralidharan Pillai. G.	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
Dr.Shijukhan. J.S	Member, Syndicate	Sd/

Item No.13.20.01 Complaint by the President and Arch Bishop of Bible Faith Mission, Rev.Dr.Moses Swami Das - sanctioning of Arts and Science College to Bible Faith Mission – reg.

[Ac.BII]

The President and Arch Bishop of Bible Faith Mission, Mount Sinai, Parassuvaikkal, Thiruvananthapuram, Rev.Dr.Moses Swami Das, has submitted a complaint against Rt.Rev.Dr.Selvadas Promoth, Bishop of Bible Faith Mission and the applicant of the proposed aided Arts and Science College namely, B.F.M Arts and Science College, Parassuvakkal, Thiruvananthapuram for the academic year 2024-'25 with regard to administrative affairs of the institution, Bible Faith Mission.

As per the statement of the complainant, Dr.SelvadasPromoth is his son-in-law and the Bishop of BFM, his second in charge. The issues related to administration and management of BFM led to the filing of O.S No.639 of 2021 before the Munsiff Court, Neyyattinkara by BFM and himself against Dr.Selvadas Pramoth and his henchmen. A compromise decree was passed by the Second Additional Munsiff Court, Neyyattinkara in O.S No.639 of 2021 dated 01.08.2022.

In the compromise decree, it is stated in respect of the proposed Arts and Science College that the Arch Bishop Rev.Dr.Moses Swami Das would not be placed in the leadership of the proposed Arts and Science College and that the complete authority of the institution would be vested with Bishop Dr.SelvadasPromoth. It is also mentioned that all the certificates in respect of Bible Faith Mission would be handled by Dr.Selvadas Promoth who is the administrative authority of the organisation.

The Arch Bishop alleges that Dr.Selvadas Promoth has violated the terms of the compromise decree. In the O.S No.1142 of 2022 filed against Dr.Selvadas Promoth and his henchmen by some parishers, the court passed an order of injunction restraining him from discharging the duties as the leader of BFM, which is still in force.

It is stated that because of the internal dispute, the organization has become very weak and fragile and is not in a position to run and manage an Arts and Science College.

The Arch Bishop has requested that under these circumstances, a decision in the matter of granting permission to Arts and Science College for BFM shall not be taken without issuing notice to him and hear him.

According to the Trust Deed executed on 02.05.2016, Rev.Dr.Moses Swami Das is the Managing Trustee and Rt.Rev.Dr.SelvadasPromoth is the Associate Managing Trustee of Bible Faith Mission India Educational and Charitable Trust and that the Arch Bishop Rev.Dr.Moses Swami Das shall hold the office until his lifetime/retirement. In the event of vacancy arising to the post of Managing Trustee, the Associate managing Trustee shall become the Managing Trustee.

The Chairman and the Secretary of Bible Faith Mission has issued a statement along with the application for affiliation for an aided Arts and Science College namely, B.F.M Arts and Science College, Parassuvakkal, Thiruvananthapuram for the academic year 2024-'25 that the board meeting of Bible Faith Mission held on 11.09.2021 has resolved to authorise Dr. SelvadasPromoth to utilize the land of Bible Faith Mission for the aided college, apply to the concerned body, formulate the governing body to manage and govern the BFM Arts and Science College.

The application thus submitted was considered by the Syndicate held on 12.10.2023 vide item no.05.52.14 and resolved to forward the same to the Estate Officer for verification of the land documents and then to the legal adviser for scrutiny.

Now, Vice-Chancellor has accorded sanction to place the application for affiliation before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on the basis of the report of the Estate Officer and the remarks of Legal Adviser.

According to the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the complaint submitted by the President and Arch Bishop of Bible Faith Mission, Rev.Dr.Moses Swami Das against Rt.Rev.Dr.SelvadasPromoth, the Bishop of Bible Faith Mission and the applicant of proposed B.F.M Arts and Science College, Parassuvakkal, Thiruvananthapuram for the academic year 2024-'25 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the request and recommended to reject the complaint submitted by the Rev.Dr.Moses Swami Das as the complaint is not relevant with the application of affiliation of new college submitted by Rt.Rev.Dr.SelvadasPromoth, Bishop of Bible Faith Mission.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.20.02 Application for affiliation to new un-aided Law College – 2024-'25 – Proposed Mahaguru Colege of Legal Studies, Kattachira, Kayamkulam, Alappuzha – Non-submission of requisite documents - Consideration of Reg.

[Ac.BII]

The application submitted by the General Secretary of the Educational Agency, Sree Gurudeva Charitable and Educational Trust, Kattachira, Kayamkulam for affiliation to a new un-aided law college viz., Mahaguru College of Legal Studies, Kattachira, Kayamkulam, Alappuzha for the academic year 2024-'25 was considered by the Syndicate held on 12.10.2023, item no.05.52.12.

Last year, the Educational Agency had applied for affiliation to an Arts and Science College for the academic year 2023-'24 which was rejected by the Syndicate held on 14.08.2023 vide item no.02.118.21 owing to the reason of the major portion of property being wetland and doesn't meet the minimum land requirement.

Regarding the application submitted for the academic year 2024-'25, the Syndicate held on 12.10.2023 vide item no.05.52.12 resolved to direct the educational agency to submit orders of the RDO pertaining to conversion of wetland included in the land earmarked for the proposed Mahaguru College of Legal Studies, Kattachira, Kayamkulam, Alappuzha within 30 days failing which the

application for affiliation would be rejected. The educational agency was intimated of the decision of the Syndicate vide letter no. 53263/Ac BII/2023/UOK dated 01.11.2023.

Meanwhile, the Secretary, Sree Gurudeva Charitable and Educational Trust vide letter no.53/2023/SGCT dated 16.11.2023, submitted certain documents in respect of the land earmarked for the proposed law college but failed to produce the orders of the RDO pertaining to conversion of wetland. The educational agency was reminded of the matter vide letter no. 53263/Ac BII/2023/UOK on 25.11.2023.

In response, the educational agency vide letter No.53(3)/2023/SGCT dated 29.11.2023 informed that they had given up with the existing wetland for the establishment of the proposed college and requested to consider the dry land owned by the Trust for the same. But on verification of the documents submitted, certain land documents mentioned by the educational agency were seen missing. Hence, they were directed via. email dated 16.12.2023 to submit the documents in respect of the dry land earmarked for the establishment of the proposed college.

The educational agency has then forwarded the copy of the request made to the Revenue Divisional Officer, Chengannur, Alappuzha to get the wetland converted to dry land.

Vide letter no.53263/Ac BII/2023/UOK on 24.02.2024, the educational agency was again asked to submit either the orders of the RDO pertaining to conversion of wetland set aside or the documents pertaining to the dry land earmarked for the proposed college within 10 days from the receipt of the letter, failing which the application for affiliation for the proposed law college would be rejected. On 05.03.2024, the educational agency had forwarded certain documents via email. They were asked to submit the hard copies for verification but had not responded. The educational agency was reminded of the matter via email dated 17.05.2024. The documents submitted in response were forwarded to the Estate Officer for verification. The Estate Officer has reported as follows:

'The Educational Agency (EA) has not produced the RDO's order pertaining to the conversion of wetland. On verification of the documents, the EA has possession and enjoyment over an extent of 1.8934 Hectors of wetland and 33.03 Ares of dry land (Total 2.2237 Hectares, i.e 5.490069 Acres) comprised in Re-Survey No. 484/2, 485/3, 493/1, 484/8, 493/3, 484/1, 484/3, 489/5, 493/14, 493/15 in block no.13 in Bharanikkavu Village, Mavelikkara Taluk, Alappuzha District. The EA has not submitted the prior document and encumbrance certificate of Re-Survey no.493/14, 493/15. The land is jointly situated.'

According to the proviso of Statute 1 in Chapter 24 of KUFSS, 1977, the validity of the application is limited to the particular academic year unless the University makes a favourable recommendation and seeks the views of the Government.

The time limit granted by the Syndicate had already expired but the educational agency did not submit the requisite orders of the RDO pertaining to conversion of wetland set aside or the documents pertaining to the dry land earmarked for the proposed college, till date.

Therefore, according to the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the application submitted by the Secretary, Sree Gurudeva Charitable and Educational Trust, Kattachira, Kayamkulam on behalf of the educational agency for affiliation to a new un-aided law college viz., Mahaguru College of Legal Studies, Kattachira, Kayamkulam, Alappuzha, for the academic year 2024-'25, on the basis of the Land Verification Report of the Estate Officer, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the request and recommended to reject the application for affiliation to a new un-aided law college viz., Mahaguru College of Legal Studies, Kattachira, Kayamkulam, Alappuzha submitted by the General Secretary of the Educational Agency, Sree Gurudeva Charitable and Educational Trust, Kattachira, Kayamkulam for the academic year 2024-'25 as the Educational Agency failed to submit the requisite order from the RDO regarding conversion of wet land.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.20.03 *Naipunnya School of Management, Cherthala- Request for the nomination of Syndicate/ Senate member for constituting Governing Body-reg.*

[Ac.BII]

The Principal, Naipunnya School of Management, Cherthala vide letter dated 27.05.2024 has requested to nominate Syndicate/ Senate member for constitution of the governing body to the College.

As per Section 52 of the Kerala University Act, 1974, every colleges under unitary management shall constitute a governing body, in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes.

As per Statute 2 in Chapter 25 of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, the Syndicate of the University shall nominate a member of the Senate or the Syndicate or the Academic Council as a member of the Governing Body of a Private College to represent the University.

In the light of the above facts and as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding nominating a person from among member of the Senate or the Syndicate or the Academic Council as a member of the Governing Body of Naipunnya School of Management, Cherthala 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 seek the learned opinion of the Standing Counsel whether Self Financing Colleges can be considered as Private Colleges for purpose of constitution of Governing Bodies as per Section 52 of the Kerala University Act, 1974

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.20.04 *Renaming of Government College, Nedumangadu as 'Sri.K.V.Surendranadh Memorial Government College' - Government Order- Consideration.*

[Ac.BII]

The State Government vide G.O. (Ms.) No.363/2024/HEDN dated 11.06.2024, of Higher Education (B) Department, has renamed Government College, Nedumangaud as 'Sri.K.V.Surendranath Memorial Government College'.

As per the Government Order, the Chairperson of Nedumangaud Municipal Corporation had submitted the decision of the Council to change the name of the college as mentioned above and the resolution passed by the Municipal Corporation in this regard. The State Government examined the matter in detail and passed orders to rename the college as 'Sri. K.V. Surendranath Memorial Government College'.

It may be noted that Government College, Nedumangaud was started in the year 1981 and the college is conducting the following courses:

B. A. History	50
B. A. Economics	40
B. A. Malayalam	30
B.Sc. Physics and Computer Applications	24
B.Sc. Mathematics	40
B.Com. Elective Finance	50
M.A. History	15
M.A. Economics	20
M. A. Malayalam	20
M.Com	15

It may further be noted that a fee of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) is prescribed vide U.O.No. Ac. B./03/2014-15 dated 29.11.2014 for change of name of a college. The Educational Agency of Government College, Nedumangaud has not remitted the fees for name change.

The Educational Agency of a Government College is the Director of Collegiate Education.

The above matter, on the orders of the Vice Chancellor, 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 sanction the name change of the college on receipt of the fees prescribed for the change of name of college.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.20.05 **CSI College of Education, Parassala (UNAIDED)– Suspension of M.Ed programme for the academic year 2024-'25–request–consideration of– reg.**
[Ac.BII]

The Manager, CSI College of Education, Parassala (UNAIDED) submitted a request vide letter no.CE-A/50/2024 dated 14.06.2024 for suspension of M.Edprogramme for the academic year 2024-'25.

It is informed that as no students sought admission for M.Ed course in the college for the last two academic years, it is decided to suspend M.Ed course for the academic year 2024-'25 also. Hence requested to suspend M.Ed course of CSI College of Education, Parassala for the academic year 2024-'25.

It may be noted that CSI College of Education, Parassala, was affiliated to the University since 1995 for the conduct of B.Ed. programmes in English, Mathematics, Natural Science, Social Science and Physical Science with a total intake of 50 students and M.Ed. programme since 2018-'19 with a total intake of 50 students.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 20.05.2023, item No.57.109.01, resolved to permit suspension of M.Ed. programme for want of students in CSI College of Education, Parassala in the academic year 2022-'23, on the basis of a request from the Manager.

Later, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 14.08.2023, vide item No. 02.18.05 resolved to grant permission to CSI College of Education, Parassala, TVPM, for the resumption of M.Ed. programme in the academic year 2023-'24.

Statute 15, Chapter 24, Kerala University first Statutes, 1977 provides that:

- a. It shall be open to a college to suspend for want of students with prior approval of the Syndicate, for a total period not exceeding one academic year, instruction in any subject or course of study in which the College is affiliated. At the end of the period of suspension, work may be resumed after intimating the Syndicate.
- b. No course of study shall be abolished in any College without the prior approval of the Syndicate.

As per the U.ONo.Ac.B/03/2014-15 dated 31.12.2015, the Educational Agency concerned has to remit a fee of Rs.10,000/- +5% as additional resource mobilization towards the suspension of each course of study. The educational agency has to remit the fee for suspension.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request of the Manager, CSI College of Education, Parassala(UNAIDED) for suspension of M.Edprogramme for the academic year 2024-'25 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 reject the request and to direct the college to close the M.Edprogramme as per norms.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.20.06 **Circular - Bar Council of India - Comprehensive Implementation of Legal Education Reforms - Mandatory Guidelines, Norms and Rules of Legal Education – implementaion – reg.**

[Ac.BII]

The Bar Council of India has issued circular No.BCI:D:468/2024/Cir-006/2024(LE) dated 20.05.2024 regarding comprehensive implementation of Legal Education Reforms, Mandatory Guidelines, Norms and Rules of Legal Education for adherence by Centres of Legal Education (CLE) with immediate effect.

Bar Council of India has specified in the guidelines to enhance the quality and effectiveness of legal education, as item no.10, the general timing for conduct of classes/courses by Centres of Legal Education (CLE) as follows:

On the basis of Rules of Legal Education, 2008, it is stated that a course should run for at least five hours a day continuously with an additional half an hour recess every day and should have less than thirty hours of working schedule per week. Also classes can be conducted only between 8 am to 7 pm in an institution, which is not fully residential.

The library may remain open till 10 p.m.

BCI has recommended to revoke the approval of affiliation of any Centre of Legal Education with immediate effect without giving notice that violates the above mentioned rules.

LL.B being a professional law course needs approval of the Bar Council of India. BCI has made it clear that LL.B Three year/Five year is a regular course and there is no concept of evening classes.

Among the affiliated law colleges, the Government Law College, Thiruvananthapuram and the Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada have affiliation for 3 year Unitary LL.B (Evening) Programme.

Earlier in 2021-'22, the Government Law College, Thiruvananthapuram has stopped the admissions to 3 year Unitary LL.B (Evening) Programme. At present, the Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada has affiliation to two batches of 3 year Unitary LL.B (Evening) Programme. However it is learned that the college has not invited applications for admissions for the academic year 2024-'25 so far for said batches. No other affiliated law colleges have evening LL.B programmes.

In the light of the above, according to the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of implementing the guideline issued by the Bar Council of India regarding the general timing for conduct of classes/courses by Centres of Legal Education (CLE) as to restrict the classes between 8 am to 7 pm in an institution that is not fully residential, with library functioning till 10 p.m, 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 implement the directions of the Bar Council of India rendered vide circular dated 20.05.2024 in respect of timings prescribed for the conduct of LL.B Programmes.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.20.07 : The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Thiruvananthapuram- Request from the Principal to remove specification 'Evening' from the mark list and certificates of the students pursuing the Unitary LL.B (3 year) programme under the code 472 (Evening) - consideration of – reg.

[Ac.BII]

The Principal, the Kerala Law Academy Law College, vide letter dated 31.10.2023 has requested to take appropriate steps to remove specification 'Evening' from the mark list and certificates of the students pursuing the unitary LL.B (3 year) course under the code 472.

The BoS in Law (Pass) at its Annual meeting held on 15.04.2024 vide item no IV-B-4 considered the representation received from the Principal, Kerala Law Academy Law College, TVPM, for removing the specification 'Evening' from the mark list and certificates of the students pursuing the unitary LL.B (3 year) course under the code 472 and recommended that in pursuance of the decision of the Syndicate held on 06.01.2001, the word 'evening' was inserted in the LL.B Degree Certificate from the academic year 2003-2004 onwards. Since it is a decision of the Syndicate, the request may be considered by appropriate body of the University. The Faculty of Law held on 30.04.2024 endorsed the recommendation of the BoS in Law (Pass) and the Academic Council held on 10.05.2024 approved the minutes of the Annual meeting of the Faculty of Law.

The following facts may be noted in this context

The Kerala Law Academy is a society registered under the Societies Registration Act in 1966. The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Peroorkada, Thiruvananthapuram was granted affiliation provisionally during 1968-'69 academic year, with LL.B (Part-time) programme with an intake of 100 (One Batch).

Vide UO dated 24.08.1970, provisional sanction was accorded to the Secretary, Kerala Law Academy to start full-time batch of 50 students for the LL.B. course in the Law Academy Law College during the year 1970-71. Later seat was enhanced to 100 (U.O. No.Ac.B2-337/70 dated 17.7.1979).

Vide U.O.No.Ac.B3/2975/97 dated 01.07.1998, the University accorded sanction for rearrangement of the existing two batches of the Three Year LL.B Courses (one day batch and one evening batch) into three batches (two day batches and one evening batch) with an intake of 110 students for each batch. Presently the Kerala Law Academy Law College is conducting three Batches of 3 year Unitary LL.B (Day) and Two Batches of 3 year Unitary LL.B (Evening).

The Bar Council of India at its meeting held on 24th Oct.,1999 vide RESOLUTION NO. 68/1999, decided to amend its Rules in Part IV for conversion of existing part-time morning/evening Law Colleges into whole time Law Colleges. Accordingly, the suggestion of amending Rules in Part IV was accepted and it was decided that time should be given to all the Law Colleges which are exclusively running morning/evening sessions to switch over to day session during the Academic year 2000-2001 failing which they will not be entitled for approval of affiliation by the Bar Council of India.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 15-12-2000 considered the direction issued from the University to discontinue the evening LLB Course conducted in the affiliated Colleges. After examining the various aspects involved in the issue and assessing the academic interest in the matter, the syndicate resolved that

"The LLB Evening Course of academic year 2000-2001 of Kerala Law Academy Law College affiliated to this University be continued without the provision for enrolment as advocates.

The fact that the Candidate Undergoing the Course is not entitled for enrolment as advocate be specified in the Mark lists and Certificates issued to them.

The Scheme and syllabus of the Evening LLB Course, without the provision for enrolment be placed before the relevant Academic bodies for appropriate decision."

In continuation, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 6.1.2001 considered and approved the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 15.12.2000 with the modification that Clause No.2 of the resolution be modified as follows:

"2. The fact that the candidates are undergoing an evening course be recorded in the certificates issued to them".

In reply to the clarification sought in this matter, the Bar Council of India at its meeting held on 22nd June 2001 considered the recommendations of the Legal Education Committee made at its meeting held on 31st May & 1 June 2001 regarding eligibility of students who have undergone evening courses in law for enrollment as advocates after the decision of the Bar Council of India to discontinue the evening sessions. After consideration, Council is of the view that as regards point No.1 on which clarification is sought, it is permissible for the Universities to conduct evening courses for LL.B. but it should be made clear to the students that in such cases the LL.B. degrees will be of academic nature and will not entitle the students to be enrolled as advocates. The Universities should take care to make distinction between the law degree which is of academic nature and the law degree which is of professional nature entitling a person to be enrolled as an advocate. Universities should also make it clear in mark sheets and other certificates that are issued for the two types of degrees. As regards point No.2, the Council is of the view that the Bar Council of Kerala is competent to issue a direction to the Universities.

Further actions, regarding the preparation of the Scheme and syllabus of the Evening LLB Course, without the provision for enrolment was placed before the relevant Academic bodies pursuant to the decisions of the Syndicate held on 15.12.2000 and 06.01.2001, by the academic section dealing with Law.

In the Special meeting of the Board of Studies in Law (Pass) held on 06.01.2001, the Board resolved that the change of Syllabus etc. if necessary may be postponed till after a final decision is arrived at judicially or otherwise.

As per the minutes of the Annual meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 25.03.2002, the Faculty decided to continue the status quo until the Supreme Court takes decision in the matter. The Academic Council held on 22.05.2002 approved the Minutes of the Faculty of Law held on 25.03.2002.

Meanwhile Government Law College, Trivandrum has stopped the 3 year Evening LL.B programme existed in their college. But the Kerala Law Academy Law College, Thiruvananthapuram continued to conduct 3 year Evening LL.B programme.

Later, Hon'ble High Court vide judgment dated 29.09.2004 in WP(c) No.39134/ 2003 & 2646/2004, allowed the petitions directing Bar Council of Kerala to enrol not only the petitioners but also other applicants who have taken three year LL.B degree by attending evening course conducted by the Fifth respondent (The Kerala Law Academy Law College, Thiruvananthapuram) provided they are otherwise eligible to be enrolled.

Further Adv.M.K.Chandramohan Das, the Standing Counsel of the University then, has intimated that the Hon'ble High Court vide judgment dated 14.02.2005 dismissed Review Petitions No. 30 & 31 of 2005 filed by the BCI review the order dated 02.12.2004 in Writ Appeal No.s 1916 & 1918 of 2004.

Later vide letter dated 08.11.2006, Secretary, Kerala High Court Staff Association while requesting for restarting of Evening LL.B Programmes, has informed that, the resolution no: 68/1999 adopted by the Bar Council of India was quashed by a Division Bench of Punjab and Haryana High Court. The decision of the High Court was challenged in appeal before the Supreme Court by Bar Council of India in Civil Appeal No.3882/2003. The Supreme Court upheld the decision of the High Court which set aside the Bar Council resolution by its order dated 12/7/2006. It was further held that "If any candidates have passed the LL.B examination through courses they would be at liberty to move the Bar Council for enrollment". Thus at present there are no hurdles before the Universities for conducting evening LL.B courses.

However there is no direction from any legal forum in contrary to the below mentioned decision of the Syndicate held on 15.12.2000 and 06.01.2001, "The fact that the candidates are undergoing an evening course be recorded in the certificates issued to them".

Later the Syndicate held on 16.09.2020 and 01.10.2020 (item nos. 01.04 and 18.03 respectively) decided to divide existing 3 batches of LLB 3 year Unitary course of the Kerala Law Academy Law College, Thiruvananthapuram into 5 sections of 60 each. Presently the college is conducting three Batches of 3 year Unitary LL.B (Day) and Two Batches of 3 year Unitary LL.B (Evening).

Here the affiliation is granted for Unitary LL.B (3 year) to conduct as Evening Programme Originally the Classes were conducted as evening classes.

The students admitted in the Evening programme were employees, attended the class after office hours.

The word "Evening" is mentioned in the certificates of the candidates from 2002 onwards.

In these circumstances, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the request of the Principal, the Kerala Law Academy Law College to take appropriate steps to remove specification 'Evening' from the mark list and certificates of the students pursuing the unitary LL.B (3 year) course under the code 472 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges in the first instance for consideration and recommendation to the Syndicate.

The Committee considered the matter in detail and recommended that the matter be referred to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

The Syndicate considered the Principal, the Kerala Law Academy Law College and **RESOLVED** to remove specification 'Evening' from the mark list and certificates of the student pursuing the Unitary LL.B (3 year) Course under the course code 472.

Item No.13.20.08

Mar Thoma College of Science & Technology, Chadayamangalam, Kollam (Unaided) & Member Sree Narayana Pillai Institute of Management & Technology, Chavara, Kollam (Unaided) Suspension of courses for the academic year 2024-'25 – requests – consideration of – reg.

[Ac.BII]

The following colleges has submitted requests for suspension of UG courses for the academic year 2024-'25 due to the shortage of students.

The Principal, Mar Thoma College of Science &Technology, Chadayamangalam, Kollam (Unaided) vide letter no.MTCST/4885/2024 dated 27.06.2024 requested to remove B.Sc Chemistry from the list of FYUGP programmes offered by the college during the supplementary allotment and vide email dated 29.06.2024 requested for suspension of B.Sc Chemistry for the academic year 2024-'25.

The Principal, Member Sree Narayana Pillai Institute of Management & Technology, Mukundapuram, Chavara, Kollam (Unaided) vide letter no.B/15/017 dated 08.07.2024 has requested for suspension of B.A English Language and Literature programme for the academic year 2024-'25.

Both the programmes are presently included in the online admission portal for the academic year 2024-'25.

Statute 15, Chapter 24, Kerala University first Statutes, 1977 provides that:

- a. It shall be open to a college to suspend for want of students with prior approval of the Syndicate, for a total period not exceeding one academic year, instruction in any subject or course of study in which the College is affiliated. At the end of the period of suspension, work may be resumed after intimating the Syndicate.

As per the U.ONo.Ac.B/03/2014-15 dated 31.12.2015, the Educational Agency concerned has to remit a fee of Rs.10,000/- +5% as additional resource mobilization towards the suspension of each course of study. The educational agencies has not remitted the fee for suspension of courses. However they have remitted the Annual Administration Fee in respect of above mentioned programmes.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the requests of Mar Thoma College of Science &Technology, Chadayamangalam, Kollam (Unaided) & Member Sree Narayana Pillai Institute of Management & Technology, Chavara, Kollam (Unaided) for suspension of B.Sc Chemistry & B.A English Language and Literature programmes respectively for the academic year 2024-'25 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the request and recommended to defer the matter till the closure of the admissions for the academic year 2024-'25.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.20.09

ദക്ഷിണ കേരള ഇടവക (എസ്. ഐ. യു. സി) - ക്രിസ്ത്യൻകോളേജ്, കാട്ടാക്കട ബിഷപ്പുപ്പുഴാസൻ മെമ്മോറിയൽ ആർട്സ്ആൻഡ്സയൻസ്കോളേജ്, മുളയറ, സിഎസ്ഐ കോളേജ് ഓഫ് എഡ്യൂക്കേഷൻ, പാറശ്ശാല, സിഎസ്ഐ ഇൻസ്റ്റിറ്റ്യൂട്ട് ഓഫ് ഹിഗ്ജിംഗ്, പാറശ്ശാല എന്നീ കോളേജുകളിലെ മാനേജർമാരുടെ നിയമനം- സംബന്ധിച്ച് :-

[Ac.BII]

ദക്ഷിണ കേരള ഇടവക (എസ്. ഐ. യു. സി) ബിഷപ്പ് ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ ഡെപ്യൂട്ടി റോയ്സ്കൂനോജിക്റ്ററിൽ നിന്നുള്ള 15.05.2024 തീയതിയിലെ SKD/H.Edn/01/2024-25, SKD/H.Edn/02/2024-25, SKD/H.Edn/05/2024-25 എന്നീ നമ്പർ നടപടി കുറുപ്പുകളിൽ യഥാക്രമം

- 1) ക്രിസ്ത്യൻകോളേജ്, കാട്ടാക്കടയുടെയും ബിഷപ്പുപ്പുഴാസൻ മെമ്മോറിയൽ ആർട്സ് ആൻഡ്സയൻസ്കോളേജുമുളയറയുടെയും മാനേജർ ചുമതല വഹിക്കുന്ന റവ എപിക്രിസ്ത്യൻ ജയരാജിനു പകരം കുരിശുമുട്ടം പള്ളിയിലെ പുരോഹിതനായ റവ ജ്യോതിഐസക്കിനെ നിയമിച്ചതായും
- 2) സിഎസ്ഐ കോളേജ് ഓഫ് എഡ്യൂക്കേഷൻ, പാറശ്ശാലയിലെ മാനേജർ ശ്രീ സത്യരാജിനു പകരം സിഎസ്ഐ നെയ്യാർഡാമിലെ ശ്രീ വിൽഫ്രഡ്ജിനെ നിയമിച്ചതായും
- 3) സിഎസ്ഐ ഇൻസ്റ്റിറ്റ്യൂട്ട് ഓഫ് ഹിഗ്ജിംഗ്, പാറശ്ശാലയിലെ മാനേജർ റവ ഡോ. എൽ. മോഹൻദാസിനു പകരം സിഎസ്ഐ ഓലത്താനിയിലെ അഡ്വ സുനിൽരാജിനെ നിയമിച്ചതായും പറയുന്നു

എന്നാൽ, ക്രിസ്ത്യൻകോളേജ്, കാട്ടാക്കടയുടെയും ബിഷപ്പേപ്പേഴ്സൺ മെമ്മോറിയൽ ആർട്സ് ആൻഡ് സയൻസ്കോളേജുകളുടെയും മാനേജറായ റവ എപിക്രിസ്റ്റൽ ജയരാജിന്റെയും, സിഎസ്ഐ കോളേജ് ഓഫ് എഡ്യൂക്കേഷൻ, പാറശ്ശാലയിലെ മാനേജറായ ശ്രീ സത്യരാജിന്റെയും, സിഎസ്ഐ ഇൻസ്റ്റിറ്റ്യൂട്ട് ഓഫ്ഗവൺമെന്റ്, പാറശ്ശാലയിലെ മാനേജറായ റവ ഡോ എൽ.മോഹൻദാസിന്റെയും 28.06.2024 തീയതിയിലെ കത്തുകളിൽ ദക്ഷിണകേരളമഹായീടവക ഭരണഘടന അനുസരിച്ച് എയ്ഡഡ്കോളേജിൽ മാനേജരെ നിയമിക്കുന്നതുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട് എക്സിക്യൂട്ടീവ്കമ്മിറ്റിയോ പ്രസ്തുത കമ്മിറ്റി നിലവിൽ ഇല്ലെങ്കിൽ അഡ്മിനിസ്ട്രേറ്റീവ്കമ്മിറ്റിയോ ആണെന്നും ആ തീരുമാനം ബിഷപ്പ് ഉത്തരവാക്കുന്ന താണ്നടപടിക്രമം എന്നും എന്നാൽ 08.05.2024-ൽ കൂടിയ അഡ്മിനിസ്ട്രേറ്റീവ്കമ്മിറ്റി യോഗത്തിൽ മാനേജർ നിയമനത്തെ സംബന്ധിച്ച യാതൊരു തീരുമാനവും കൈകൊണ്ടിട്ടില്ലാത്തതും ബിഷപ്പ്നൽകിയ കത്തിൽ 14.05.2024-ൽ തീരുമാനിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടെന്നാണ്എഴുതിയിട്ടുള്ളതെന്നും 08.05.2024-ലെ അഡ്മിനിസ്ട്രേറ്റീവ്കമ്മിറ്റിയിൽ അടുത്ത കമ്മിറ്റി 22.05.2024-ൽ കൂടുന്നതാണെന്ന്തീരുമാനിച്ചതായും അന്ന്കൂടിയ കമ്മിറ്റി കമ്മറ്റിയുടെ എല്ലാ തീരുമാനങ്ങളും 23.03.2024-ൽ ഇറങ്ങിയ സുപ്രീംകോടതിയുടെ ഉത്തരവനുസരിച്ച്റദ്ദാക്കപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുള്ളതായും അതിനു ശേഷം ബിഷപ്പ്റോയ്സ്മനോജിക്ടർ മഹായീടവകയുടെ ഭരണപരമായകാര്യങ്ങൾ നിർവഹിക്കുന്നതിൽ നിന്നും വിലക്കുറുപ്പായും തുടർന്ന് 21.06.2024-ൽ ഹൈക്കോടതിയിൽ ബിഷപ്പ്നൽകിയ ഹർജിയിൽ 17.07.2024-ൽസുപ്രീംകോടതിയുടെ തീർപ്പാക്കുന്നതുവരെ ബിഷപ്പിന്യാതൊരു അധികാരവും ദക്ഷിണ കേരള മഹായീടവകയിൽ ഇല്ലെന്നിടപുറപ്പെടുവിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതായും, മാത്രമല്ല നിലവിലുള്ള മാനേജറിനെ മാറ്റിമറ്റൊരാളെ നിയമിച്ചതായുള്ള യാതൊരു നടപടികളും നാളിതുവരെഇവർക്ക്നൽകിയിട്ടില്ലെന്നുംഅറിയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. കൂടാതെ, മേൽ വിവരിച്ച കാരണങ്ങൾ കൊണ്ട്തന്നെ ബിഷപ്പ്റോയ്സ്മനോജിക്ടർ നൽകിയ കത്താസ്പുവരഹിതവും സഭയുടെയും സ്ഥാപനത്തിന്റെയും ഭരണഘടനാചട്ടങ്ങളുടെ ലംഘനവും കോടതിയ ലക്ഷ്യവുമാണെന്നും അതിനാൽ ഇപ്പോഴും ഇവർ തന്നെയാണ്ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട കോളേജുകളുടെ മാനേജർമാരെന്നും ആ നിലയിൽ തങ്ങളുടെ കർത്തവ്യങ്ങൾ നിർവഹിക്കുവാനുള്ള അധികാരം തുടർന്നും നൽകണമെന്നും അപേക്ഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. വിഷയവുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട്താഴെ പറയുന്നവ ശ്രദ്ധിച്ചാലും

1974-ലെ കേരളസർവകലാശാല നിയമം അദ്ധ്യായം 8 സെക്ഷൻ 54 ലെ മാനേജറിന്റെ നിയമനത്തെ കുറിക്കുന്ന പ്രസക്തഭാഗങ്ങൾ ചുവടെചേർക്കുന്നു
മാനേജരുടെ നിയമനം.-

- (1) സർവകലാശാല പരിധിയിലുള്ള ഒരു യൂണിറ്റിന്മാനേജ്മെന്റ് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ കോർപ്പറേറ്റ്മാനേജ്മെന്റ് അതിന്റെ സ്വകാര്യ കോളേജ് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ കോളേജുകളിലോ ഒരുമാനേജറെ നിയമിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്.
- (2) മാനേജരുടെ നിയമനം അല്ലെങ്കിൽ നീക്കംചെയ്യൽ യൂണിറ്റി മാനേജ്മെന്റ് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ കോർപ്പറേറ്റ്മാനേജ്മെന്റ് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ ആയസർവകലാശാലയെ അറിയിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്
- (3) യൂണിറ്റി മാനേജ്മെന്റ് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ കോർപ്പറേറ്റ്മാനേജ്മെന്റിന്റെ തീരുമാനങ്ങൾ പ്രാബല്യത്തിൽ വരുത്തേണ്ടതാണെങ്കിലും കടമയാണ്.
- (4) യൂണിറ്റി മാനേജ്മെന്റ് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ കോർപ്പറേറ്റ്മാനേജ്മെന്റ് ഏല്പിക്കുന്ന അധികാരങ്ങളും ചുമതലകളും മാനേജർ വിനിയോഗിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്.
- (5) ഒരു പ്രൈവറ്റ്കോളേജിനോ എതിരോ ഉള്ള സൂട്ടുകൾ സ്ഥാപിക്കുന്നതാണെങ്കിലും അദ്ദേഹത്തിന് എതിരോ ആണ്.
- (6) ഒരുസ്വകാര്യ കോളേജിന്റേമാനേജർ കെട്ടുകാര്യസ്ഥത, ദുരുപയോഗം, അഴിമതി, ദുർഭരണം, ചുമതലകളിലുള്ള ബോധപൂർവ്വമായ അശ്രദ്ധഎന്നിവയിൽ കുറ്റക്കാരനാവുകയോ, സർക്കാർ അല്ലെങ്കിൽ സർവകലാശാലപുറപ്പെടുവിച്ചനിർദ്ദേശങ്ങളുടെഅവഗണന, ധാർമ്മിക വിഭ്രാന്തി ഉൾപ്പെടുന്ന ഒരു കുറ്റകൃത്യത്തിന്പ്രതികരിക്കപ്പെടുകയോ ചെയ്യുന്ന പക്ഷം വൈസ്ചാൻസിലർക്ക്മാനേജർക്ക്കൈതിരെ സ്വീകരിക്കാൻ ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്ന നടപടികൈതിരെ കാരണംകാണിക്കാനുള്ള ന്യായമായഅവസരം അദ്ദേഹത്തിനു നൽകേണ്ടതും തക്കതായഅന്വേഷണത്തിന്ശേഷം ആവശ്യമെങ്കിൽ മാനേജർ ആപദവിവഹിക്കാൻ യോഗ്യനല്ലെന്ന്പ്രഖ്യാപിക്കാവുന്നതും, അനുഗ്രഹനായ വ്യക്തിയെ മാനേജർ ആയിനിയമിക്കുവാൻ യൂണിറ്റി മാനേജ്മെന്റ് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ കോർപ്പറേറ്റ്മാനേജ്മെന്റിനോട് ആവശ്യപ്പെടാവുന്നതുമാണ്.

- (7) മാനേജറുടെ യോഗമനേജ്മെന്റിന്റെയോ ഭരണവുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട കാര്യങ്ങളിൽ സർവകലാശാലയോ സർക്കാരോ നൽകുന്ന നിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾ പാലിക്കുന്നതിൽ പരാജയപ്പെട്ടുകയോ, മേൽഉപ സെക്ഷൻ (6) പ്രകാരം ചുമതലകൾ വഹിക്കാൻ യോഗ്യനല്ലാതാകുന്നതും സ്വകാര്യ കോളേജിന്റെ സഹായം, ഗ്രാന്റ് അല്ലെങ്കിൽ അഫിലിയേഷൻ പിൻവലിക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള നടപടികൾ സ്വീകരിക്കുന്നതിന്മതിയായ കാരണമായി കണക്കാക്കും.

1977-ലെ കേരള യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റി ഫസ്റ്റ് റെഗുലേഷൻ അദ്ധ്യായം 24 സ്റ്റാറ്റ്യൂട്ട് 19(2) പ്രകാരം "ഗവൺമെന്റോടൊപ്പമുള്ള യോഗ മാനേജിംഗ് കൗൺസിലിന്റെയോ അംഗത്വത്തിലെ എല്ലാമാറ്റങ്ങളും കോളേജുകളിലെ അധ്യാപകരുടെ എല്ലാ നിയമനങ്ങളും സ്ഥലംമാറ്റങ്ങളും പ്രമോഷനുകളും തരംതാഴ്ചകളും പിരിച്ചുവിടലുകളും അവരുടെ പേരും യോഗ്യതയും പദവിയും സഹിതം ഉടൻതന്നെ സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിനെ അറിയിക്കേണ്ടതാണ് എന്നും നിഷ്കർഷിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്.

ബഹു വൈസ് ചാൻസിലറിന്റെ ഉത്തരവിൻപ്രകാരം ക്രിസ്ത്യൻ കോളേജ്, കാട്ടാക്കട, ബിഷപ്പുശ്ശാസൻ മെമ്മോറിയൽ ആർട്സ് ആൻഡ് സയൻസ് കോളേജ്, മുളയാറ, സിഎസ് ഐ കോളേജ് ഓഫ് എഡ്യൂക്കേഷൻ, പാറശ്ശാല, സിഎസ് ഐ ഇൻസ്റ്റിറ്റ്യൂട്ട് ഓഫ് ഹിഗ്ജിംഗിംഗ്, പാറശ്ശാല എന്നീ കോളേജുകളിലെ മാനേജർമാരുടെ നിയമനവുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട് ദക്ഷിണ കേരള ഇടവക (എസ്. ഐ യു. സി) ബിഷപ്പ് ഇൻചാർജ് റവ. ഡോ. റോയ് നൂനോജിക്വറിൽ നിന്നുള്ള 20.06.2024 തീയതിയിലെ കത്തുകളും, നിലവിലെ മാനേജർമാരുടെ 28.06.2024 തീയതിയിലെ കത്തുകളും സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ കോളേജ് അഫിലിയേഷൻ സംബന്ധിച്ച സ്ഥിരം കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ പരിഗണനയ്ക്കായി സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to hear Rev.Dr. Royce Manoj Victor, Bishop CSI, Rev.A.P.Christal Jayaraj, Rev Dr. L. Mohandas and Sri Sathyaraj by a sub committee of the Syndicate consisting of Sri. R.Rajesh, Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai and Dr.Shijukhan J.S., Members, Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No. 13.20.10 *R.Parameswaran Pillai Memorial Arts & Science College, Neyyar Dam, Thiruvananthapuram (Unaided) - Request to exclude the college from payment of closure of course fee-consideration of – reg.*

[Ac.BII]

Sri.Kolliyakode.N. Krishnan Nair, Chairman, State Co-operative Union, Kerala vide letter no.KICMA/A.S.C.491/2023 dated 13.06.2024 submitted a request to exclude R.Parameswaran Pillai Memorial Arts & Science College from payment of closure of course fee.

Provisional affiliation was granted to R.Parameswaran Pillai Memorial Arts and Science College, Neyyar Dam, Thiruvananthapuram on self financing basis from the academic year 2014-15.

It may be noted that the Syndicate at its meeting held on 15.03.2024 vide item no.09.82.08 considered the request of the Principal-In-Charge, R. Parameswaran Pillai Memorial Arts and Science College, Neyyar Dam, Thiruvananthapuram for closure of B.A. English & Communicative English and B.Com. Commerce with Computer Applications Programmes from the academic year 2023-'24 for want of students and resolved to permit closure of B.A.English & Communicative English and B.Com. Commerce with Computer Application Programmes from the academic year 2023-'24, as per existing norms.

Accordingly, letter no.1493/Ac B II/2024/UOK dated 27.03.2024 had been forwarded to the educational agency to remit closure of course fee of Rs.42,000/- (Forty Two Thousand Rupees only). But, the college has not remitted the fee till now.

Now, Sri.Kolliyakode N Krishnan Nair, Chairman, State Co-operative Union, Kerala submitted a request to exclude R.Parameswaran Pillai Memorial Arts & Science College from payment of closure of course fee since the college is working under State Co-operative Union and also informed that the college is in financially backward condition.

The following facts may be noted in this regard.

R.Parameswaran Pillai Memorial Arts & Science College managed by State co-operative Union as Educational Agency run on self financing mode and levy fees from the students in parity with other self financing colleges.

As per the U.ONo.Ac.B/03/2014-15 dated 31.12.2015, the Educational Agency of the concerned Government/Aided/Self financing College has to remit a fee of Rs.20,000/- towards the closure of each course of study. (5% hike was imposed on all fees as additional resource mobilization from 1st April 2019)

The fee for closure of course is made applicable to Government/Aided/Self financing Colleges uniformly.

Earlier Similar request was submitted by colleges under IHRD but fee exemption was not given by the University.

In future the Colleges under CAPE, Revenue Department, IHRD and Government Colleges which are under Public Sector may request for such fee exemption.

Exemption to colleges from remitting prescribed fees will make a huge loss of revenue to the University.

In these circumstances, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request of Sri.Koliyakode.N. Krishnan Nair, Chairman, State Co-operative Union to exclude R.Parameswaran Pillai Memorial Arts & Science College from payment of closure of course fee is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended that the matter be referred to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED not to consider the request of Sri.Koliyakode.N. Krishnan Nair, Chairman, State Co-operative Union to exclude R.Parameswaran Pillai Memorial Arts & Science College from payment of closure of course fee.

Item No.13.20. 11 *Fatima Mata National College (Autonomus) Kollam - Affiliation of new Courses- Self Financing Stream-Reg.*

[Ac.D]

Ref: Letter No. FC/E3/26/2024 dated 11.06.2024

The Principal, Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam has requested to grant affiliation to the following new courses under Self financing Stream.

Sl No.	Name of the Courses	Proposed Students Strength
1.	B.Com Logistics and Supply Chain Management-	50
2.	B.Sc Computer Science-	40
3.	BSc. Psychology-	40

It is also informed that the Scheme and Syllabus of the courses were sent to the University for approval.

The application for granting affiliation of new courses for the upcoming academic year is notified by the University through the Affiliation Portal, which includes fees for application, inspection commission, Affiliation, Annual Administration etc. All fees expressly mentioned are to be remitted through the Affiliation Portal in order to obtain affiliation for new courses.

The College authorities have not applied for affiliation of new courses through Affiliation Portal; instead, they have requested sanction to start these new courses as per the UGC Regulations for the conferment of Autonomous Status.

An amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rs One Lakh Only), charged as fine for Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam for admitting excess students in various UG Programmes during the Academic Year 2019-22, has not been remitted by the College authorities till date.

As per the cause 3.1, 3.2 & 3.3 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023, the role, terms and conditions of an Autonomous College in general and subject to the provisions of Regulations will be as under;

- 3.1 **Review existing courses/programmes and, restructure, redesign and prescribe its own courses/programmes of study and syllabi.**
- 3.2 **To formulate new courses/programmes within the nomenclature specified by UGC as per the Specification of Degrees 2014 as amended from time to time.**
- 3.5 **Autonomous colleges need not pay affiliation fees to the parent University.**

Also as per clause 10.2 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023, “an autonomous college is free to start a new degree programme(s) at undergraduate and postgraduate levels with the approval of the Academic Council of the Autonomous College and concerned Statutory Council(s), wherever required, provided the nomenclature of the degree is in consonance with UGC Notification on Specification of Degrees, 2014 as amended from time to time. Such courses shall fulfill the minimum standards prescribed by the parent university/UGC/Statutory Council(s) in terms of number of hours, curricular content and standards, and the parent University shall be duly informed of such courses.”

As per the UGC Notification on Specification of Degrees, 2014, “all the Universities (including affiliated college thereto) shall observe the minimum standard of instruction and prescribed norms for the grant of a degree which shall be imparted by the duly qualified teaching staff and appropriate academic physical infrastructure facilities as prescribed by the concerned statutory/ regulating bodies, such as UGC, AICTE, MCI, NCTE, DCI, in their respective notifications/ regulations”.

As per the clause 69 P. of the Act 32 of 2014, “the University Laws (Third Amendment) Act the University shall have all other Powers over the Autonomous Colleges as are applicable to any affiliated college of the University under this Act and the Statutes, Ordinances and the Regulations made thereunder”.

It may also be noted that the approval of Scheme and Syllabus of the proposed Self Financing courses in Fatima Mata National College is under processing.

As per the orders of the Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding granting affiliation of proposed courses in Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous) 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 constitute a sub committee of the Syndicate consisting of Sri. R.Rajesh, Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Dr. Nazeeb S. and Dr.Shijukhan J.S., Members, Syndicate to have a discussion with the authorities of Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam regarding their request for starting of new programme in self financing stream and to have a detailed study regarding the issues in connection with Autonomous colleges.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.20. 12 Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous)- Receiving offline applications for admission to UG Programme 2024- 2025-Permission-reg. [Ac. D]

The Principal, Fatima Mata National College, Kollam has submitted a request for granting permission to accept the offline application for admission to UG programme for the Academic Year 2024-25. The Principal has informed that, being a separate portal for admissions, several students could not submit online application on time in the college web portal for the UG programmes. Many students who have scored good marks in Plus two could not apply for the admissions. Considering this situation, the Principal, has requested to grant permission for receiving offline applications from eligible candidates.

The Syndicate, vide item No. 02.110 Additional 01, held on 14.08.2023 had considered the matter regarding permission to accept offline application for admission to UG programme for the Academic year 2023-24 at Fatima Mata National College and resolved to grant permission to receive offline applications for admission to UG programme 2023-2024 at Fatima Mata National College, in the case of management seats only. The resolution of the Syndicate has been sanctioned by the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the request submitted by the Principal, Fatima Mata National College for receiving of offline application for admission to UG programme for the Academic year 2024-2025 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 approve the request submitted by the Principal, Fatima Mata National College, Kollam to accept the offline application for admission to UG programme for the Academic Year 2024-25.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED not to consider the request submitted by the Principal, Fatima Mata National College for receiving of offline application for admission to UG programme for the Academic year 2024-2025.

Item No. 13.20.13 BFA Degree Course - Request for Inter College Transfer to III Year from Raja Ravi Varma College of Fine Arts, Mavelikkara, to College of Fine Arts Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram - Kavya M - Reg.

[Ac.AIII]

As per the norms for inter-collegiate transfer of candidates under going BFA Degree course, vide U.O No. Ac AIV/1/9025 Dated: 17.04.2010, Transfer can be permitted only in the **beginning of the Second year.**

Smt. Kavya M (Reg No: 2227208) candidate of Third year BFA Degree Course admitted at Raja Ravi Varma College of Fine Arts, Mavelikkara, has requested inter college transfer to the III year at College of Fine Arts Kerala, TVPM, duly recommended by the Principals concerned, citing ailments of her mother (medical certificate produced) and job transfer of her father. The Principal of the intended college for transfer has reported that vacancy is available there in the third year to accommodate the candidate.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the application received from Smt. Kavya M, requesting Inter College Transfer to the III year BFA Degree Course, from Raja Ravi Varma College of Fine Arts, Mavelikkara to College of Fine Arts Kerala, TVPM, citing medical reasons of her mother and job transfer of her Father, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter in detail and recommended that the matter be referred to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

The Syndicate considered the request of Smt. Kavya M and **RESOLVED** to grant Inter College Transfer to the III year BFA Degree Course from Raja Ravi Varma College of Fine Arts, Mavelikkara to College of Fine Arts Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram based on the medical reasons of her Mother and job transfer of her father as a special case.

Item No. 13.20.14 : Request received from the Principals, of various Colleges – Additional marginal increase of seats – reg.

[Ac.H]

The Syndicate considered the matter regarding inviting the request for Marginal Increase of seats from all affiliated Colleges for the academic year 2024-25 vide item no.12.61 and resolved to sanction the marginal increase to the affiliated colleges for UG Programmes in the following manner.

To grant 20% increase of sanctioned strength for all Science programmes and 30% increase of seats for all other UG programmes where admission count for the previous academic year exceeds the sanctioned strength or the request from the College whichever is lesser without exceeding the total seats above 70.

To grant 10% increase of sanctioned strength for all UG programmes where the previous year admission count is 75% above the sanctioned strength or the request from the College whichever is lesser without exceeding the total seats above 70.

To grant 5% increase of sanctioned strength for all UG programmes where the previous year admission count is 50% to 75% above the sanctioned strength or the request from the College whichever is lesser without exceeding the total seats above 70.

Marginal Increase of seats shall not be granted to the Institutions where the previous year admission count is less than 50% of the sanctioned strength.

Furthermore it has been directed to grant Marginal Increase to all the Institutions who had sought Marginal Increase in this year, but not in the previous year, as per the respective conditions mentioned (1) to (5). Also directed to

The Syndicate considered the matter regarding inviting the request for Marginal Increase of seats from all affiliated Colleges for the academic year 2024-25 vide item no.12.61 and resolved to sanction the marginal increase to the affiliated colleges for UG Programmes in the following manner.

1. To grant 20% increase of sanctioned strength for all Science programmes and 30% increase of seats for all other PG programmes or the request from the College whichever is lesser without exceeding the total seats above 30.

Requests have been further received from the Principals of various Colleges for additional marginal increase of seats for various courses for the academic year 2024-25.

Details of the courses and number of seats requested as additional marginal increase are as follows:

College Name	Course	Sanctioned Strength	Approved Marginal Increase	Requested Additional Marginal Increase
SreeswathiThirunal College of Music, Tvpm	MA Music (Violin)	2	1	2
Govt Sanskrit College	MA Sahithya	5	0	4
Govt. College for Women Vazhuthacaud	Msc Botany	8	2	4
National College Ambalathara	BCA	30	6	8
	BSc CS	30	6	8
	BBA	30	9	1
	BSW	30	9	1

The OAMC at its meeting held on 22.07.2024 recommended to place the requests received for additional marginal increase before the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.

The Vice- Chancellor has ordered to place the requests received for additional marginal increase before the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.

Hence, the matter regarding the additional marginal increase to the colleges as specified in the above mentioned tables is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to sanction additional marginal increase in the following Government colleges,

College Name	Course	Sanctioned Strength	Approved Marginal Increase	Additional Marginal Increase recommended
Sree Swathi Thirunal College of Music, Tvpm	MA Music (Violin)	2	1	2
Govt Sanskrit College	MA Sahithya	5	0	4
Govt College for Women Vazhuthacaud	Msc Botany	8	2	4

The meeting came to end by 1pm

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 07.08.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.21

Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development held on 30.07.2024 - Minutes- Consideration of –reg.

(Pl.G)

A meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development was held at 10.30 a.m on **30.07.2024** at the Deans' room, SH Campus, Palayam.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on **30.07.2024** at the Deans' room, SH Campus, Palayam is placed before the Syndicate for approval. (Copy of the minutes is appended).

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE SYNDICATE

ON PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Date : 30.07.2024
Time : 10.30 a.m.
Venue : Deans' room, Senate House Campus, Palayam

Members

- Dr. S Jayan, Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development – Sd/-
- Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G, Member Syndicate -Sd/-
- Prof. (Dr) Gopchandran K G, Member Syndicate -Absent
- Prof. (Dr) P M Radhamany, Member Syndicate -online
- Sri. R. Rajesh, Member Syndicate -Online

The meeting began at 11.00 a.m.

Item No.13.21.01 Senate House Campus -Construction of New Building for the University Press- Resolution of the Syndicate- Re consideration-reg.

[P.L.C]

The University Engineer, vide letter no. DB1/Press building/2023 dated. 07.06.2023 had submitted a detailed estimate amounting to Rs.4,77,45,000/-, including 18% GST prepared based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for Trivandrum and market rate for an area of 1421.23 m² for the construction of new building for University Press at SH Campus and a valuation report amounting to Rs. 33,620/- (Rupees Thirty Three Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty only) for conducting auction of old bus shed and dining hall along with the minutes of the Technical Committee held on 12.05.2023, as per the resolution of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 13.01.2021, vide item no. 01.02. Accordingly, U.O No. 8609/2023/UOK dated. 12.10.2023 was issued for conducting auction of old bus shed and dining hall in the SH Campus.

The detailed estimate is as follows:

Sl.No	Nature of Work	Total Amount (Rs)	Tax Details
1	Civil Work	4,20,00,000/-	Including 18% TAX
2	Electrical Work	32,35,000/-	
3	Lift Work	25,10,000/-	
	Total Amount	4,77,45,000/-	

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 27.06.2023, vide item no. 59.160.08 had considered the above estimate and resolved to approve the survey report amounting to Rs.33,620/- for conducting auction of old dining hall & old bus shed and to entrust the University Engineer to conduct the auction. **The Syndicate has also resolved to execute the construction of the new building for University Press in a two phased manner. The ground floor in the first phase and the first floor as second phase of work.** The Syndicate has further resolved to entrust the University Engineer to submit a revised estimate for the construction of ground floor of the University Press building.

Now, the University Engineer, vide letter no. DB1/Press building/2023 dated 24.11.2023 has informed that a meeting conducted with the Press Superintendent (i/c) and the Engineers concerned for finalizing the requirements in the first phase of the work. It is stated that the Press Superintendent (i/c) opined that the requirements in the earlier proposal are minimum and limiting the building to one floor will not satisfy their requirements considering the material movement circulation, different activities etc. It is also opined that the new dining hall is proposed in the first floor since the existing dining hall is going to demolish as part of new construction. Hence, the Press Superintendent (i/c) has suggested to approve the two floor in single phase.

Hence, the University Engineer has requested that the earlier proposal of two floors in a single phase for the construction of new building for University Press may be reconsidered. It may be noted that the Syndicate at its meeting held on 27.06.2023, vide item no. 59.160.08 has resolved to execute the construction of the new building for University Press in a two phased manner. The ground floor in the first phase and the first floor as second phase of work.

As ordered by the Vice Chancellor, the request of the University Engineer for reconsidering the resolution of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 27.06.2023, vide item no. 59.160.08 for the construction of new building for the University Press at SH Campus in a single phased manner, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

Recommendation:

- To execute the construction of Ground floor with two-storey basement for the new building of University Press at Senate House Campus, Palayam, in the first phase.
- To entrust the University Engineer to prepare and submit a revised estimate for the construction of Ground floor of the new building without changing the approved plan, for the University Press at SH Campus.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.21.02 Urgent work for providing light roofing over three storied PG Women's Hostel building at Kariavattom Campus- Estimate- Reg.

[Pl.C]

The University Engineer, vide letter no. UE/DB2/LR-PG WH/2024-25 dated. 22.05.2024 has forwarded an estimate amounting to Rs.40,53,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Fifty Three Thousand only), including 18% GST prepared based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for Trivandrum for providing light roofing over three storied PG Women's Hostel building at Kariavattom Campus which is **about 50 years old**, as per the minutes of the meeting held on 14.03.2024 chaired by the Vice Chancellor. The meeting resolved to entrust the University Engineer to look into the matter in order to avoid seepage of water in the PG Women's Hostel at Kariavattom Campus. The University Engineer has informed that the building has RCC terraced roof and for providing light roofing over the entire area of the building with roof area of 917.3 sq. m, it is proposed to demolish the parapet for fixing post for light roofing. The estimate includes all necessary structural steel work for providing truss, roofing using 0.50 mm GI sheet, ridge and valley sheets as per required quantity, necessary items for fixing the post, subsequent plastering and painting. Minor quantity for touch-up of old exterior surface is also included in the estimate.

The University Engineer has requested to sanction the above said estimate debiting the expenditure to "Part I-NP-J-Works-MH 65-Works-10/5310- Construction & Maintenance of Hostels" for arranging the work by inviting tenders.

On the matter, Finance has remarked that administrative sanction may be obtained on the above said proposal at the first instance. Finance has also remarked that **since liability in respect of work bills relating to previous years is also to be met from the current financial year's allocation, only urgent works may be taken up during this year.**

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the aforesaid estimate amounting to Rs.40,53,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Fifty Three Thousand only), including 18% GST, submitted by the University Engineer based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for Trivandrum towards the work of providing light roofing over three storied PG Women's Hostel building at Kariavattom Campus and the remarks of Finance, are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

Recommendation:

- To entrust the Registrar to address CET to inspect the three storied PG Women's Hostel building at Kariavattom Campus and submit structural stability report of the same.
- To entrust the University Engineer to collect the structural stability report from CET.

- To entrust Convener (Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development), Convener (Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance) and Dr.Gopchandran K.G, Member Syndicate to visit the building and to submit a report on the proposal.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.21.03 **Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of Two numbers of 6 passenger lifts in the Kerala University Library, Palayam - Extension of Time of Completion of the work- reg.**

[Pl.G]

As per the U.O.No. Pl.G/4248/2012 dated 31.12.2018, administrative sanction was accorded approving the estimate amounting to Rs.15,00,000/- for the construction of 1 No of 6 Passenger Lift in the Vertical Extension of Kerala University Library, Palayam and as per the U.O.No. Pl.A1/KUL/LSDA/15 dated 26.11.2018, administrative sanction was accorded approving the estimate amounting to Rs.25,00,000/- for the construction of a lift (6 Passenger) for the differently abled users in the stack room of the University Library, Palayam.

The works were awarded to the firm **M/s Johnson Lifts and Escalators**. Details are as follows.

SI No	work	Agreement No	Bid price	Site handover date	Completion time	Completion date (as per agreement)
1	Lift for Differently abled	107/21-22 dated 28.02.2022	Rs.14,30,500/-	11/01/2024	120 days	17/05/2024
2	Vertical Extension Lift	10/2022-23 dated 15.07.2022	Rs.14,95,760/-	11/01/2024	150 days	08/06/2024

M/s Johnson Lifts Pvt Ltd vide email dated 26.03.2024 addressed to the University Engineer, has stated that they have delivered the materials at the site as per terms and as per tender, the agreed terms of payment was 75% of the contract value against material delivery. But they have not received any payment till date. The firm had reported that the BDS option for bill statement was not part of the agreement and has declined to the BDS offer and demanded payment as per agreement terms.

Regarding the payment of the bills, the University Engineer, vide email dated 27/03/2024, remarked that two bills (amounting to Rs.10,00,000/- &Rs.10,72,875) of the work - 'Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of two 6 passenger lifts in the Kerala University Library, Palayam' have been passed from the office of the University Engineer on 23/02/2024 and forwarded to the Finance Officer on the same day.

On the matter, Cash II Section has remarked that:

"The District Treasury can directly accept the cheques upto 5 Lakhs only and the treasury process the cheques only below 1 lakhs. In the case of between 1 lakhs and 5 lakhs; the treasury shall keep the cheques at the queue and the process the same later in order to the seniority of cheques received at the treasury. In the case of above 5 lakhs; WAMS software did not accept the e submission and re-directed to the WAMS Clearance Wing with Docket No. After that normally WAMS Clearance wing sent the same to BDS Portal. Then the section inform the same to the company/ contractor for submitting Consent letter to continue the same through BDS; if they are willing only.

Bill amounting to Rs.10,00,000/-: In this case, the same was processed from the section on 12/03/2024 vide cheque no: 160248/05.03.2024 and submitted to WAMS Clearance Wing (Finance Dept., Govt Secretariat) vide docket no: 8987/2024 and the Finance had sent the same to the BDS. The cash Section had intimated the same to M/S Johnson Lifts Pvt Ltd. vide email dated 19th March 2024 and orally through telephone. But they didn't accept positively. After that the treasury closed the acceptance of E submission and cheques on 26th March 2024 due to the proceedings of the end of the financial Year and withdraw the amount from the Plan account of the University. Even the Govt of Kerala issued WAMS clearance to the same vide no. 2748775/WMII-6/648/2024-Fin dated 30/03/2024; but the treasury did not accept the e submission due to the closure of the same on 26th March 2024 and was returned the same.

Bill amounting to Rs.10,72,875: In this case, the same was processed from the section vide cheque no: 406376/18.03.2024 and submitted to WAMS Clearance Wing (Finance Dept., Govt Secretariat) vide docket no: 11090/2024 and the Finance had sent the same to the BDS. The cash Section had intimated the same to M/S Johnson Lifts Pvt Ltd. vide email dated 19th March 2024 and orally through telephone. But they didn't accept positively. At present, the same was rejected by the WAMS.

The Govt. had already withdrew the plan fund from the plan account of the University. For further procedure in this regard, the University has to be waited upto the coming of the Plan grant. "

The Finance Officer remarked as follows:

"Plan funds are transacted through PSTSB account maintained at Treasury and are subjected to the directions of the Finance Department, GoK issued from time to time. Cash II section can only release the payment to contractors subject to the procedures/directions issued by the Treasury. Since funds were available, the payment could have been released before 31st March 2024 to the supplier under BDS. Now only option available is to wait for refund of resumed plan funds by Government. However, actual release will be subjected to the directions of Treasury."

Meanwhile the University Librarian (i/c) vide letter dated 21.05.2024 has requested to take urgent steps to install the lifts in the Library. As per the orders of the Registrar, a meeting with the firm M/s Johnson Lifts Pvt Ltd in connection with the subject work was conducted in the presence of Finance Officer, Director (Planning and Development) and the University Engineer on 07.06.2024 at the Registrar's Chamber, to sort out the following issues.

1.Extension of Time of Completion of the works: The works have not yet been completed even though the agreed ToC expired.

2. Effecting the Payment of bills: Two bills amounting to Rs.10,00,000/- and Rs.10,72,875/-, submitted by M/s Johnson Lifts Pvt Ltd., in connection with the work are pending as the firm expressed reluctance to submit willingness for processing the bills through BDS.

In the meeting, the firm stuck on the stand that the work can be resumed only after getting the payments and demanded payment as per the tender terms at the earliest to initiate the installation work. (The payment due to M/s.Johnson Lifts Pvt Ltd for the materials already supplied could have been effected in the last FY itself, if the firm had agreed to the BDS option). **The meeting recommended to entrust the Finance Officer to take follow up action to make payment to the firm immediately on refunding the resumed plan funds by the Government.**

Now, the University Engineer, vide letter dated 19.06.2024, informed that:

- The company has requested to give Extension of Time (EoT) for 3 months from the date of releasing of material payment for completing the installation work.
- The 75% of payment to these lifts against material supplied have not yet released due to the shortage in plan fund and hence the request can be considered as a genuine one.
- The Assistant Executive Engineer has also recommended for extending the time of completion for three month period, after releasing the payment without imposing fine.

The University Engineer has forwarded the request letters received from M/s Johnson Lift Ltd for the extension of Time of Completion (ToC) of the subject works along with the recommendation of the Assistant Executive Engineer (Electrical) and recommended that the time of completion may be extended for 3 months after releasing the payment without imposing fine.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter of granting extension of Time of Completion (TOC) of the work along with the remarks of the University Engineer is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development, for consideration and recommendation.

Recommendation:

The University Engineer (i/c) reported that the payments towards two bills amounting to Rs.10,00,000/- and Rs.10,72,875/- to the firm- M/s Johnson Lift Ltd were made in the past week (cheques were released from the Cash section on 25.07.2024). The Committee recommended as follows:

- To grant an extension period of 3 months from the date of receipt of payment by the firm, towards the Time of Completion of the work -"Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of Two number of 6 passenger lifts in the Kerala University Library, Palayam", to the firm, M/s Johnson Lift Ltd, without fine and on condition that no further extension will be granted in future.
- To execute a supplemental MoU with M/s Johnson Lift Ltd for the extension of time of completion of the work.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No. 13.21.04: *Modernization of University Library- Vertical Extension to the Kerala University Library, Palayam– Estimate for Public Addressing System in the seminar hall- reg.*

[Pl.G]

In connection with the Air Conditioning works of Kerala University Library, Palayam, the Syndicate held on 15.03.2024, vide item no.09.07, has considered the minutes of the meeting held on 05.02.2024 and resolved to approve the following recommendations.

- To cancel the agreement for the Air Conditioning works in the Vertical Extension to Kerala University Library with M/s Maretek India Pvt Ltd and to terminate the work awarded to the firm.
- To forfeit the security deposit from M/s Maretek India Pvt Ltd, remitted at the time of entering into contract and remit the same to the Kerala University fund.
- To blacklist the contractor M/s Maretek India Pvt Ltd from engaging the works of the University henceforth.
- As research facility is excluded from the Kerala University Library, air conditioning works may be limited to the Seminar Hall only.
- To entrust the University Engineer to fully furnish the Seminar Hall and to provide air conditioning and Acoustics, with the available fund.
- To entrust the Instrumentation Engineer to provide Public Addressing System in the Seminar Hall.

The Director, CLIF, vide letter dtd 21.05.2024 (received via e-mail dated 01.06.2024), has forwarded the Specification and estimate for Audio-Video equipment to be installed at seminar hall of University Library, Palayam, submitted by the Instrumentation Engineer, for further action.

It may be noted that in addition to the estimate for Public Addressing System (Audio System and Projector with screen), the Instrumentation Engineer also submitted an estimate for Video equipment for the seminar hall, based on the assessment of the requirement from the Deputy Librarian, Kerala University Library, Palayam.

Consolidated estimate for providing Audio-Video equipment in the Seminar Hall is as follows:

Sl.No.	Work	Amount (excluding GST)
1	Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of Audio equipment (Audio System and Projector with screen)	4,32,000/-
2	Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of Video equipment	3,69,000/-
	Total	8,01,000/- (Rs.Eight Lakh One Thousand only)

Remarks/endorsement was sought from the Finance section on the detailed estimate amounting to Rs.8,01,000/- (Rupees Eight lakh one thousand only), submitted by the Instrumentation Engineer, for providing **Audio-Video equipment** in the Seminar Hall of the Kerala University Library, Palayam. The Finance Section has remarked the following:

"At first instance administrative sanction may be obtained for the estimate submitted by the Instrumentation Engineer for providing Public Addressing System in the Seminar Hall of the Kerala University Library, Palayam. Since liability in respect of works bills relating to previous years is also to be met from the current financial year's allocation, only urgent works may be taken up during this year."

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the estimate amounting to Rs.8,01,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh One Thousand only) for providing Audio-Video equipment in the Seminar Hall of the Kerala University Library, Palayam is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development, for consideration.

Recommendation:

- To invite the University Librarian, KU Library, Palayam to the next meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development to have a discussion on the matter.
- To entrust the University Engineer to prepare and submit the estimates for the Civil , Electrical and allied works for fully furnishing the seminar hall in the Kerala University Library, Palayam and for providing air conditioning, Acoustics & Public Addressing System in the seminar hall, so as to place the same before the next Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.21.05 *Installation of Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at Kariavattom Campus- Minutes- Reg.*

[P.L.C]

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 14.08.2020, vide item no. 16.43.03 had resolved to agree in principle to the proposal for installation of Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) at Kariavattom Campus as a permanent solution for the sewage waste from hostels, and to proceed further inviting the co-operation of the Department of Environmental Sciences and the expertise of Kerala Suchitwa Mission. So many discussions were held in this regard till date.

Later, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 27.06.2023, vide item no. 59.11 had resolved to approve the location of Sewage Treatment Plant for the existing 3 Women's Hostel at Kariavattom Campus at the rear side of the Researchers Women's Hostel, 20 meters away from the existing rear side of the compound wall.

After that, a meeting held on 18.08.2023 at Registrar's Chamber decided to request CSIR , NIIST (National Institute of Interdisciplinary Science and Technology) to submit a detailed proposal for the implementation of the project of water treatment system for treating grey water and black water from all existing hostels (both girls and boys) at Kariavattom Campus. In reply, the Director, NIIST informed that CSIR-NIIST being an R & D institution, they will not undertake execution of major works involving civil/electrical works. It is also informed that NIIST can provide technical support in STP designing, tender document verification, evaluation and assessing the performance of the implemented treating system etc. in a consultancy project mode.

In this context, a meeting was again held on 12.06.2024 at Registrar's Chamber for finalizing the mode of execution of the project of Installation of Sewage Treatment Plant at Kariavattom Campus with the officials of M/s. Suchitwa Mission, the Head, Department of Environmental Science and the University Engineer.

As ordered by the Vice Chancellor, the minutes of the meeting held on 12.06.2024 at Registrar's Chamber for finalizing the mode of execution of the project of Installation of Sewage Treatment Plant at Kariavattom Campus is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

Minutes of the meeting to discuss the establishment of Sewage Treatment Plant at Kariavattom Campus

Venue : Registrar's Room
Date & Time : 12.06.2024, 11.30 am

Members Present

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| 1. Prof. (Dr.) K. S. Anil Kumar | Registrar (in chair) | Sd/- |
| 2. Dr. Mini Dejo Kappen | Director, P&D | Sd/- |
| 3. Dr. Sabu Joseph, | Head, Department of Environmental Sciences | Sd/- |
| 4. Smt. Sobha. K, | University Engineer | Sd/- |
| 5. Sri. Ramesh T. S, | Assistant Executive Engineer I | Sd/- |
| 6. Sri. Anaz Babu, | KLWM Specialist, Suchitwa Mission | Sd/- |
| 7. Smt. Resmi, | LWM Expert, Suchitwa Mission | Sd/- |

The meeting discussed the matter of finalizing the mode of execution of installation of sewage treatment plant at Kariavattom Campus with Suchitwa Mission for getting expert opinion in this regard, as National Institute of Interdisciplinary Science and Technology (NIIST) earlier informed that they will not undertake major works involving civil/electrical works. The meeting also considered Expression of Interest forwarded by IRTC (Integrated Rural Technology Centre).

The meeting discussed finding the way forward for setting up of Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) for the hostels at Kariavattom Campus. M/s. Suchitwa Mission opined that 220 KLD Capacity STP is required for treating the waste water produced in the campus, and has further suggested the following three modes of execution.

OPTION 1- DPR Preparation + Execution

In this method, University has to tender for a DPR preparing agency. Once the agency is selected and DPR is prepared, then Technical Sanction is issued to the DPR and tender is floated based on the sanctioned/approved DPR. A contractor/firm shall be selected based on the lowest quote. The problem with this mode is two agencies/firms comes in a single project, which may cause disputes among them.

OPTION 2- DBOT (Design, Build, Operation & Transfer) Mode

In this method, design and execution is to be done by a single agency. Here, University has to do a DBOT tender stating the requirements. (The requirements includes the capacity of the treatment plant, waste water characteristics, desired efficient characteristics and reuse purpose). As per GO (Rt)No. 1058/2022/LSGD dated. 28.04.2022, DBOT model tendering for STP projects in LSG's is approved by Government of Kerala.

OPTION 3- Execution through Accredited Agencies

Government approved accredited agencies such as IRTC, CDD India etc is available for taking up STP projects for local bodies. These agencies can be directly entrusted for taking up works up to One Crore. Beyond One Crore works, comparative bidding is required. Centage charge need to be paid.

After detailed discussion, the meeting recommended to go with OPTION - 2. Being R&D agency, NIIST may be entrusted for preparing detailed DBOT model, tender document (Comprehensive tender document) after conducting necessary preliminary site investigation.

The meeting came to an end at 12.40 pm.

Recommendation:

The University Engineer (i/c) reported that there is an overflow of septic system at the rear side of the hostels at Karyavattom Campus and hence setting up of sewage Treatment Plant at Kariavattom Campus is an inevitable one. The Committee recommended as follows-

- *To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12.06.2024 at Registrar's Chamber, for discussing the establishment of Sewage Treatment Plant at Kariavattom Campus.*
- *To entrust the Registrar to take immediate steps to implement the recommendation of the meeting held on 12.06.2024.*
- *To entrust the Registrar to request Sri. Kadakampalli Surendran, MLA and Sri. Shashi Tharoor, Member Parliament for financial support for the establishment of Sewage Treatment Plant at Kariavattom Campus.*

- *To entrust the Director (P&D) and the University Engineer to take follow up action after Registrar submits the letter to the concerned.*
- *To explore the possibility in getting CSR fund from Corporates for the project.*

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED to constitute a sub-committee consisting of Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development, Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Dr.J.S.Shijukhan, Sri.R.Rajesh, Members Syndicate to have a discussion with concerned MLA and MP to secure the financial support for the establishment of Sewage Treatment Plant at Kariavattom Campus.

ALSO RESOLVED that if the funds are not received within one month the project proposal shall be implemented using University own fund.

Item No. 13.21.06 ***SH Campus- Civil, Electrical and Air Conditioning Works for Providing Air Conditioner to the Faculty Room (GER-02) in the Department of German -Estimate-Reg.***

[P.L.C]

The Head, Department of German, vide letter No.GER08/2023 dated. 13.12.2023 & GER/08/2024 dated. 24.01.2024 had requested for the installation of air conditioner in the room which is used by both Head of the Department and other faculty members in the department and to grant permission to utilize DDF (Department Development Fund). The University Engineer was directed to submit the specification of the Air Conditioner along with estimated cost of the same.

Accordingly, the University Engineer, vide letter no. UE/DB2/GER-AC/2023-24 dated. 01.04.2024 has forwarded the total estimate amounting to Rs.2,18,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighteen Thousand only), including 18% GST, prepared based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for the civil, electrical and air conditioning works for providing air conditioner to the faculty room (GER-02) in the Department of German at SH Campus.

The estimate includes:

1	Civil Works	Rs. 84,000/-
2	Electrical Works	Rs. 15,000/-
3	Air Conditioning Works	Rs. 1,19,000/-
	Total	Rs. 2,18,000/-

The University Engineer has requested to the following,

1. To approve the estimate for civil works amounting to Rs. 84,000/- (Rupees Eighty Four Thousand only) and electrical works amounting to Rs. 15,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Thousand Only) for arranging the works by inviting quotations.
2. To approve the estimate for air conditioning works amounting to Rs. 1,19,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Nineteen Thousand only) for arranging the work by inviting e-tender.

On the matter, Finance has remarked that administrative Sanction may be obtained to the following at the first instance,

1. To utilize an amount of Rs.2,18,000/- from DDF of the Department of German for meeting the expenditure of Air conditioning work as the limit of expenditure incurred at a time from the DDF without prior approval from the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor is only Rs.25,000/-.
2. The estimate submitted by the University Engineer, amounting to Rs. 2,18,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighteen Thousand only) for the civil, electrical and air conditioning works for providing air conditioner to the faculty room in the Department of German at SH Campus. **If approved, the purchase may be made in accordance with the rules stipulated in the Store Purchase Manual and Kerala Financial code.**

Accordingly, the Vice Chancellor has accorded sanction, subject reporting to the Syndicate, for utilizing an amount of Rs.2,18,000/- from DDF of the Department of German for meeting the expenditure of Air conditioning work, as per the request of the Head, Department of German.

As ordered by the Vice Chancellor, **the total estimate amounting to Rs.2,18,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eighteen Thousand only), including 18% GST, prepared based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for the civil, electrical and air conditioning works for providing air conditioner to the faculty room (GER-02) in the Department of German at SH Campus along with the above said request of the University Engineer for arranging the civil & electrical work by inviting quotations and the air conditioning works by inviting e-tender,** are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

Recommendation:

- **To defer the item for the time being.**

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the item be referred back to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.

Item No. 13.21.07 *Electrification work - Construction of Laboratory complex for the Department of Bio-Chemistry at Kariavattom Campus- Extension of Time-Reg.*

[P.L.C]

An amount of Rs.1,09,70,000/- (Rupees One Crore Nine Lakh and Seventy Thousand only) was sanctioned for the civil and electrical work towards the setting up of a comprehensive Research Laboratory for Department of Bio Chemistry at Kariavattom Campus, vide UO No. 3472/2022/UOK dated 06.05.2022.

The University Engineer, vide letter no.DB-E/Bio-Chm/kvtm/2024 dated 03.07.2024, has informed that tenders were invited and **agreement has been executed with the contractor Sri.Ajesh.K.K for the subject work. The site was handed over to the contractor on 17.10.2023 with a time of completion of 90 days. The work has to be completed on 14.01.2024.** The University Engineer has reported that the contractor has started the work on time and **virtually completed on 12.01.2024.** As per the tender condition the contractor is liable to submit the energisation certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate within 30 days from the date of completion. But the contractor submitted the same only on 04.06.2024.

The University Engineer has reported that, the delay in obtaining energisation certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate is due to the following reasons,

1. The contractor couldn't submit the scheme for the subject work for approval to the Electrical Inspectorate, since approval for another scheme i.e building for Communication and Library Science was under processing at the same time at the Electrical Inspectorate. Because scheme approval in principal is meant for the addition of load to the whole HT connection of the campus.
2. After obtaining the scheme approval for the Communication and Library Science building, the scheme for this work was submitted to the Electrical Inspectorate.
3. Initial approval was obtained on 25.03.2024 and final scheme approval certificate issued by the Chief Electrical Inspectorate was received on 04.06.2024.

The University Engineer has also informed that the contractor has diligently adhered to the agreement schedule to complete the same within the time frame, but the scheme approval was delayed which was beyond his control due to the fact that the submission and finalization of new schemes are contingent upon the processing time of the prior submitted scheme.i.e. scheme related to Communication and Journalism was under processing at the Electrical Inspectorate.

The University Engineer has also informed that the contractor has requested to extend the date of time of completion up to 04.06.2024 without imposing fine and to release the payment for the work as he is facing stringent financial crisis. Orders are issued to take steps to pass the bill for payment after deducting fine from the bill until getting further orders.

Considering these facts, **the University Engineer has recommended to extend the time of completion of the said work up to 04.06.2024 without imposing fine.**

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request of University Engineer, to extend the time of completion of Electrification work of Construction of Laboratory complex for the Department of Bio-Chemistry at Kariavattom Campus up to 04.06.2024, without imposing fine, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development, for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

Recommendation:

- **To place the matter along with the details of precedence if any, in granting extension of time of completion for the work upto the date of receipt of Energisation certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate, before the Syndicate.**

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.21.08 *Kariavattom Campus- Providing aluminium work for partitions and shelf for new School of Communication and Journalism building- Estimate-Reg.*

[P.L.C]

The University Engineer, vide letter no. UE/DB2/AP-SC & J/2024-25 dated 06.06.2024, has submitted an estimate prepared in PRICE software according to DSR 2018, with cost index of 35.59 % for Trivandrum, amounting ₹ 8,99,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs and Ninety Nine Thousand only) including GST @ 18 %., for urgent work for providing aluminium work for partitions and shelf for new School of Communication and Journalism building at Kariavattom Campus, as requested by the Head, Department of Communications and Journalism. The University Engineer has also requested to accord sanction for debiting the expenditure in this regard from the head of account " **Part: I Non - Plan J : Works MH : 65 Works 10/5301 Minor Works and Maintenance** ".

It may also be noted that, the Syndicate at it's meeting held on 09.06.2023 vide item no.58.82.05, has resolved to obtain remarks/ endorsement of Finance on the estimates for the new infrastructure developmental works of the University, prior to placing the same before the higher ups for making policy decisions, henceforth.

Accordingly, the Finance has remarked that, **at first instance administrative sanction may be obtained on the proposal for the said work. Since liability in respect of works bills relating to previous years is also to be met from the current financial year's allocation, only urgent works may be taken up during this year.**

As per the orders of the Vice- Chancellor, the estimate amounting ₹ 8,99,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakh and Ninety Nine Thousand only), for providing aluminium work for partitions and shelf for new School of Communication and Journalism building at Kariavattom Campus, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development, for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

Recommendation:

- **To approve the estimate amounting ₹ 8,99,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs and Ninety Nine Thousand only) including GST @ 18 %, prepared in PRICE software according to DSR 2018, with cost index of 35.59% for Trivandrum and submitted by the University Engineer, for urgent work for providing aluminium work for partitions and shelf for the new School of Communication and Journalism building at Kariavattom Campus.**

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.21.09 *Repair and allied works in the Additional Men's Hostel, PG Men's Hostel, Ladies Research Hostel, SC/ST Funded Women's Hostel and PG Women's Hostel at kariavattom Campus-Estimate- reg.*

[P.L.C]

The University Engineer, vide letter no. DB2/Repair-WH& MH/2024-25 dated. 20.06.2024 has forwarded an estimate amounting to Rs.36,89,000/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakh and Eighty Nine Thousand only), including 18% GST prepared based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for Trivandrum towards the repair and allied works in the Additional Men's Hostel, PG Men's Hostel, Ladies Research Hostel, SC/ST Funded Women's Hostel and PG Women's Hostel at kariavattom Campus, as per the minutes of the Hostel Monitoring Committee dated. 14.03.2024.

The University Engineer has requested to sanction the above said estimate debiting the expenditure from the Head of Account "Part-I-Non Plan-J-Works-MH-65-Works-10/5310-Construction and Maintenance of Hostels".

On the above matter, Finance has remarked that administrative sanction may be obtained on the proposal for the repair and allied works in the Additional Men's Hostel, PG Men's Hostel, Ladies Research Hostel, SC/ST Funded Women's Hostel and PG Women's Hostel at Kariavattom Campus, at the first instance. Since liability in respect of works bills relating to previous years is also to be met from the current financial year's allocation, only urgent works may be taken up during this year.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the estimate amounting to **Rs.36,89,000/- (Rupees Thirty Six Lakh and Eighty Nine Thousand only), including 18% GST, submitted by the University Engineer prepared based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for Trivandrum towards the repair & allied works in the Additional Men's Hostel, PG Men's Hostel, Ladies Research Hostel, SC/ST Funded Women's Hostel & PG Women's Hostel at kariavattom Campus and the remarks of the Finance,** are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

Recommendation:

- **To entrust Convener (Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development), Convener (Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance), Dr. S Nazeeb and Dr. P.M Radahamany, Members Syndicate, to inspect the Additional Men's Hostel, PG Men's Hostel, Ladies Research Hostel, SC/ST Funded Women's Hostel and PG Women's Hostel at Kariavattom Campus and submit a report on executing the repair and allied works in the hostels.**

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.21.10 *Kariavattom Campus- Electrification works related to the horizontal extension to the existing building of the Department of Demography- Extension of Time- Reg.*

[Pl.C]

An estimate amounting to ₹ 7,80,000/- was sanctioned for the electrical works related to the horizontal extension to the existing building of the Department of Demography at Kariavattom Campus, vide U.O No 2223/2023/UOK dated 08.03.2023.

The University Engineer, vide letter no. DB-E/Dem/kvtm/2024 dated 03.07.2024, has informed that the work was tendered and agreement has been executed with the contractor Sri.Ajesh.K.K. **The site was handed over to the contractor on 25.09.2023 with a time of completion of 60 days.**The work has to be completed on 23.11.2023. The contractor started the work on time and virtually completed on 23.11.2023. As per the tender condition the contractor is liable to submit the energisation certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate within 30 days from the date of completion. But **the contractor submitted the energisation certificate only on 04.06.2024.**

The University Engineer has further reported that, the delay in obtaining energisation certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate is due to the following reasons,

- The contractor couldn't submit the scheme for the subject work for approval to the Electrical Inspectorate, since approval for another scheme i.e building for Communication and Library Science was under processing at the same time at the Electrical Inspectorate. Because scheme approval in principal is meant for the addition of load to the whole HT connection of the campus.

- After obtaining the scheme approval for the Communication and Library Science building, the scheme for this work was submitted to the Electrical Inspectorate.
- **Initial approval was obtained on 25.03.2024** and final scheme approval certificate was issued by the Chief Electrical Inspectorate on 04.06.2024.

The University Engineer has also informed that the contractor has diligently adhered to the agreement schedule to complete the same within the time frame, but the scheme approval was delayed which was beyond his control due to the fact that the submission and finalization of new schemes are contingent upon the processing time of the prior submitted scheme.i.e. scheme related to Communication and Journalism is under processing at the Electrical Inspectorate.

The University Engineer has also informed that the contractor has requested to extend the date of completion up to 04.06.2024 without imposing fine and to release the payment for the work as he is facing stringent financial crisis. Considering the financial crises of the contractor, orders are issued to take steps to pass the bill for payment after deducting fine from the bill until getting further orders.

Considering these facts, the University Engineer has recommended to extend the time of completion of the said work up to 04.06.2024 without imposing fine.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter of extending the time of completion of the Electrification works related to the horizontal extension to the existing building of the Department of Demography, up to 04.06.2024 without imposing fine, as recommended by the University Engineer, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development, for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

Recommendation:

To place the matter along with the details of precedence if any, in granting extension of time of completion for the work upto the date of receipt of Energisation certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate, before the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No. 13.21.11 യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റി സ്റ്റുഡൻ്റ് സെന്റർ കോമ്പൗണ്ടിൽ എൽ.ഇ.ഡി വാൾ സ്ഥാപിക്കുന്നതിന് അനുമതി നൽകുന്നത്- സംബന്ധിച്ച്.

[AdBI]

വട്ടിയൂർക്കാറ്റിയോജകമണ്ഡലത്തിൽ സ്റ്റാർട്ട്സിറ്റി തിരുവനന്തപുരം ലിമിറ്റഡ് പൊതു സ്ഥലങ്ങളിൽ വിവരവിനിമയത്തിനായി എൽ. ഇ. ഡി.വാളുകൾസ്ഥാപിക്കുന്നപദ്ധതിയിൽപി. എം. ജി. യിലെ യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിസ്റ്റുഡൻ്റ് സെന്റർകോമ്പൗണ്ടും നിർദ്ദേശിക്കപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ട് എന്നും ടിസ്ഥലത്തുവാൾ സ്ഥാപിക്കുന്നതിനുള്ള അനുമതി ലഭ്യമാക്കണമെന്നും കേരളനിയമസഭാ മെമ്പർ അഡ്വ. വി. കെ. പ്രശാന്ത് അഭ്യർത്ഥിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു.

യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിസ്ഥാപനങ്ങളുടെ ദൈനംദിനപ്രവർത്തനങ്ങളെ ബാധിക്കാത്തരീതിയിൽ പിഎംജിയിലെ കേരള യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിസ്റ്റുഡൻ്റ് സെന്റർ കോമ്പൗണ്ടിൽ എൽഇഡി ഭിത്തിസ്ഥാപിക്കുന്നതിന് അനുമതി നൽകാമെന്നുയൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റി എഞ്ചിനീയർ കൗൺസിലർ അറിയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്.

വൈസ് ചാൻസിലറുടെ ഉത്തരവിൻ പ്രകാരം മേൽവിഷയംസിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിൻ്റെ ആസൂത്രണ വികസന സ്ഥിരം സമിതിക്കു മുൻപാകെ പരിഗണനയ്ക്കായും തുടർനിർദ്ദേശങ്ങൾക്കായും സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

Recommendation:

- **To entrust the Registrar to send a letter to Adv.V.K Prasanth, Member, Kerala Legislative Assembly, seeking the details of the project of installing LED Wall for displaying public information, through Smart CityThiruvananthapuram Ltd and specification of the proposed LED wall.**

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.21.12 **Electrical works related to the construction of Microwave Material Laboratory in the Department of Physics at Kariavattom Campus- Request for effecting balance payment due to 6% GST enhancement-reg.**

[Pl.G]

As per U.O no. 254/2020/UOK dated 21.01.2020, sanction was accorded to approve the estimate amounting to Rs.1,64,00,000/- (Rupees One crore sixty four lakh only)(for civil works only) submitted by the University Engineer prepared in accordance with DSR 2016 with cost index 37.93% for Trivandrum, including GST @12% for the construction of ground floor with foundation for G+2 structure for the new building for Microwave Material Laboratory in the Department of Physics at Kariavattom Campus. Accordingly, the University Engineer has invited tender for the work and executed agreement with M/s Michael Builders and Developers Pvt Ltd,TVM on 15.02.2021, for the Civil works.

Also, as per U.O no. **Pl.G/SP 2019-20/3972/MML-PHY/2019 dated 02.11.2021, sanction was accorded to the estimate amounting to Rs.21,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty one lakh only) including GST @12%** submitted by the University Engineer based on DSOR 2018 with a cost index of 35.59% for Tvpm, towards electrical works related to the construction of Microwave Material Laboratory in the Department of Physics at Kariavattom campus, by meeting the expenditure from the Head of Account Part II-Plan- MH 65-Works-8/5478-Construction of new building for Microwave Material Laboratory in the Department of Physics. The work was awarded to Sri. Ajesh K.K, Sobha Electricals TVM through tender process and the University Engineer has executed an agreement no. 12/2022-23 dated 22.08.2022. The site was handed over to the contractor on 20.09.2022 with a Time of Completion of 60 days. The agreed ToC expired on 18.11.2022 and the work was virtually completed on 18.02.2023 with a delay of 92 days. But the energisation certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate had not been received at that time. (ie, A work is deemed to be completed only on the final commissioning of the work after getting energisation certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate).Hence, the University Engineer had requested to extend the time of completion of the work from 19.11.2022 to the date of obtaining the Energisation Certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate without fine. Considering the request of the University Engineer, the Syndicate held on 26.04.2023(item no.56.36.01) has resolved to approve the following recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development held on 24.04.2023.

1. To extend the time of completion of the Electrical works related to the construction of Microwave Material Laboratory in the Department of Physics at Kariavattom campus from 19.11.2022 to the date of obtaining the Energisation Certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate without fine, considering the grounds stated by the Contractor.
2. To effect the payment of the work bill by withholding 10% of the total bill amount.
3. To release the amount so withheld to the contractor on production of the Energisation Certificate from the Electrical Inspectorate.

Administrative sanction was accorded to the above, vide U.O no. 5724/2023/UOK dated 03.07.2023.

Now, the University Engineer, vide letter no. DBE/Microwave/2024 dated 03.07.2024 has informed the following:

- Technical sanction for the work was accorded to the detailed estimate amounting to Rs.20,65,952/- (including GST @12%), on 18.04.2022 and tender PAC was Rs.18,44,600/- (excluding GST).
- The work was awarded to Sri. Ajesh K.K for an amount of Rs.16,91,411/- (excluding GST) which is 8.30% below tender PAC.
- The contractor has completed the work and obtained Energisation certificate No. B2.00637/23/EIT dated 18.05.2023 and the Assistant Executive Engineer has submitted the certificate on 06.06.2023.
- The rate of GST applicable to work contracts is 18%, w.e.f 01.07.2017. But the Central Government, State Government, Union Territories, Local authorities, Govt entities and Government authorities were exempted from paying 18% for work contract and instead of 18%, GST @12% was made applicable, vide Central notification No.11/2017 dated 28.06.2017. Subsequently, the exemption granted to the Govt entities and Government

authorities has been withdrawn, vide Central notification No. 16/2021 dated 18.11.2021 and the same was came into effect from 01.01.2022. Hence GST rate applicable for Universities for the works completed on or before 31.12.2021 is 12% and that completed on or after 01.01.2022 is 18%.

- Here, the work was completed on 06.06.2023 and GST @18% is applicable as the date of completion of the work/ part of work claimed is treated as date of supply/date of invoice.
- **The details of Bills and payment stated in the letter are tabulated below.**

Details of Expenditure	
Executed value of work	Rs. 16,81,103.96/-
GST @12%	Rs.2,01,732.47/-
Total	Rs. 18,82,836.43/-
Total amount after round off	Rs. 18,82,836/-
Details of Payment	
Total amount paid	Rs.18,82,836/- [a.Rs.9,75,000/- HR advance bill passed on 24.03.2023, AE Sheet No. 444/2022-23 b. Rs. 9,07,836/- Final bill passed on 10.07.2023, AE Sheet No. 97/23-24]
Balance Amount payable due to hike in GST	
GST @12%	Rs.2,01,732.47/- [12% of Rs. 16,81,103.96/- (executed value of work)]
GST @18%	Rs. 3,02,598.71/- [18% of Rs. 16,81,103.96/- (executed value of work)]
Total amount inclusive of 12% GST	Rs.18,82,836/- (Rounded figure of Rs.18,82,836.43/-)
Total amount inclusive of 18% GST	Rs. 19,83,703/- (Rounded figure of Rs. 19,83,702.67/-)
Balance Amount payable to the Contractor, due to hike in GST	Rs. 1,00,867/- (Rs.18,82,836 - 19,83,703) Rupees One lakh eight hundred and sixty seven only

The University Engineer has further informed that the amount of contract is Rs. 18,48,000/- (Excluding GST) and the work was completed for an amount of Rs. 16,81,103.96/- (Excluding GST), which comes within agreed PAC. By including the GST @18%, the executed cost of work enhances to Rs.19,83,703/-, which is within the sanctioned amount of Rs. 21,00,000/-.

In view of the above, the University Engineer has requested that sanction may be accorded to release an amount of Rs. 1,00,867/- (Rupees One lakh eight hundred and sixty seven only) towards additional cost of work due to GST hike on HR bill, to Sri. Ajesh K.K, the Contractor of the work, by charging the expenditure to the Head of Account Part II-Plan- MH 65-Works-8/5478-Construction of new building for Microwave Material Laboratory at Department of Physics.

In regards to the matter, it may also be noted that an amount of Rs. 1.5 Crore has been allocated under the above mentioned Head of Account in the Budget Estimate of the University for the year 2024-25. Furthermore, in similar work contracts ie, Construction of Staff Quarters, School of Communication & Library Science Building and New Hostel for Men & ICCR Students at Kariavattom, sanction was accorded, vide U.O no. 9150/2022/UOK dated 06.12.2022, for fixing GST as 12%, where the time of supply of work completed was on or before 31.12.2021 and that as 18%, where the time of supply of work completed is on or after 01.01.2022.

On the matter, Finance has remarked that administrative sanction may be obtained for releasing the additional cost of work, to Sri. Ajesh.K.K, the Contractor of the work, in connection with the Electrical works related to the construction of Microwave Material Laboratory in the Department of Physics at Kariavattom Campus due to hike in GST, as requested by the University Engineer.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the above request of the University Engineer to release an amount of Rs. 1,00,867/- (Rupees One lakh eight hundred and sixty seven only) towards additional cost of work due to GST hike on HR bill, to Sri. Ajesh K.K, the Contractor of the work, by charging the expenditure to the Head of Account Part II-Plan- MH 65-Works-8/5478-Construction of new building for Microwave Material Laboratory at Department of Physics, along with remarks of the

Finance, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development for consideration and recommendation.

Recommendation:

- **To accord administrative sanction to release an amount of Rs. 1,00,867/- (Rupees One lakh eight hundred and sixty seven only) towards additional cost of work due to GST hike on HR bill, to Sri. Ajesh K.K, the Contractor of the Electrical works related to the construction of Microwave Material Laboratory in the Department of Physics at Kariavattom Campus.**

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to accord administrative sanction to release an amount of Rs.1,00,867/- (Rs.One lakh eight hundred and sixty seven only) towards additional cost of work due to GST hike on HR bill, to Sri. Ajesh K.K, the Contractor of the Electrical works related to the construction of Microwave Material Laboratory in the Department of Physics at Kariavattom Campus as per norms.

Item No.13.21.13 Engaging PMC for the KIIFB funded project: Construction of International and Girls Hostels- reg.

[P.L.F]

33rd meeting of the Syndicate, held on 28.10.2021 vide item no: 33.71.02, had resolved to entrust CPWD to execute certain Construction works for the University. Thereafter, MoU was executed between the University and CPWD for the following projects:

1. Construction of Indoor training hall (Own funds)
2. Renewable Energy building (Own funds)
3. IMK building (Own funds)
4. Construction of Boys, International and Girls Hostel (KIIFB Funding)

Construction of Indoor training hall was dropped as per the resolution of the Syndicate held on 09.06.2023 vide item no: 58.83. As advised by the Government to limit the budget of Hostel project, the proposal for Boys Hostel was dropped from the KIIFB funded project and it was decided to proceed with Construction of International and Girls Hostel through KIIFB funding. DPR in this regard was submitted to KIIFB and KIIFB had accorded Financial sanction for an amount of Rs.28,21,62,620/- (Rupees Twenty eight crore Twenty one lakh Sixty two thousand Six hundred and Twenty only) for the construction of International and Girls Hostels. Design review by the technical Inspection wing, KIIFB had also commenced for the project.

Later, citing issues with procedures and funding pattern of KIIFB, CPWD informed that the competent authority had decided not to proceed with the project, "Construction of International and Girls Hostels through KIIFB funding". The 7th meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023 vide item no 07.82.02 had resolved to engage any other consultants preferably from Government accredited agencies having prior experience in KIIFB funded projects to take up the project "Construction of International and Girls Hostels at Kariavattom campus". KIIFB, vide Letter HED 009-03-Misc -01 dated 23.04.2024 had approved the request of the University for sufficient time to identify a new consultant to take up the Project and for submission of documents. Accordingly, Willingness to take up the project was requested from the Top Government accredited agencies as per list forwarded from KIIFB (Those with C+ and B Grade as per SPV performance evaluation of KIIFB) that is HITES, INKEL, WAPCOS, KSEB and KITCO. Out of these, 3 agencies submitted bids in response to the notice inviting expression of interest ie. WAPCOS, KITCO and INKEL.

Sl.No.	Name of Agency	Quoted rate (in % excluding GST)	Remarks
1.	WAPCOS	4.43 %	L3
2.	KITCO	4.359 %	L2
3.	INKEL	3.85 %	L1

Lowest bid out of the three was submitted by INKEL (3.85% plus GST). However, the centage payable by KIIFB for the project is only 3.75 % plus GST. Considering the fact that the University will have to remit the GST for centage received from KIIFB and that the GST payable to INKEL will likely cause financial burden to the University, INKEL was asked to reduce the Centage demand so that the centage paid by KIIFB will cover the total amount payable to INKEL. Accordingly, INKEL has submitted their revised offer for providing consultancy services at 3% plus GST. Assuming GST at 18%, the total amount payable to INKEL by the University would be 3.54%, which is within the centage payable to the University by KIIFB, ie 3.75%.

It may also be noted that an amount of Rs.20,00,000/- (Twenty Lakh Only) had been paid as advance to CPWD towards initial expenses in connection with the project "Construction of Boys, International and Girls Hostel through KIIFB funding" vide U.O No. Ad.BI(4)PIA1/KIIFB/2022/173 dated 30.09.2022. The Executive Engineer, CPWD vide Letter no: 23(8)/PMSSYPD/204/92 dated 04.03.2024, forwarded the Architectural drawings, structural drawings, design basis report, estimate, etab files etc. prepared by CPWD for the project. The details of expenditure incurred for the work done by CPWD and invoices towards the same amounting to **Rs.7,86,179/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Eighty six thousand one hundred and seventy nine only)** has also been forwarded and permission has been sought to utilize the balance amount Rs.12,13,821/- (Twelve lakh thirteen thousand eight hundred and twenty one only) towards the initial consultancy charges for IMK and renewable energy building which is still in the scope of CPWD as per MoU executed. In this context, as per the Orders of the Honourable Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation on the following:

- 1) Whether the request of the Executive Engineer, CPWD for permission to utilize the balance amount of Rs.12,13,821/- (Twelve lakh thirteen thousand eight hundred and twenty one only) available with CPWD (after accounting for expenditure of Rs.7,86,179/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Eighty six thousand one hundred and seventy nine only) towards the project, "Construction of International and Girls Hostels through KIIFB funding") towards the initial consultancy charges for IMK and renewable energy building may be approved.
- 2) Whether the offer for providing consultancy charges by the lowest bidder INKEL, at 3% PLUS GST may be approved.

Recommendation:

- **To accept the offer for providing consultancy charges at 3% + applicable GST, made by the lowest bidder INKEL, against the Expression of Interest invited in connection with identifying a new consultant to take up the KIIFB funded project -"Construction of International and Girls Hostels at Kariavattom campus".**
- **To entrust M/s INKEL, the lowest bidder, as the Project Management Consultant for the KIIFB funded project -"Construction of International and Girls Hostels at Kariavattom campus".**
- **To execute a Memorandum of Understanding with M/s INKEL, in connection with the Construction of International and Girls Hostels at Kariavattom campus.**
- **To entrust the Registrar to send a letter to CPWD, informing the department to refund Rs.12,13,821/- (Twelve lakh thirteen thousand eight hundred and twenty one only), towards the balance amount from the advance paid to CPWD for meeting the initial expenses in connection with the Construction of International and Girls Hostels at Kariavattom campus, for the settlement of accounting entries.**

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

Item No:13.21.14 *Construction of School of Communication and Library Science at Kariavattom Campus - Report submitted by the external experts of the Technical Committee- consideration of -reg.*

[Pl.G].

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. 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, issued by the consultant, KSHB.

In regards to the Construction of School of Communication and Library Science, the following may be noted:

PMC	Kerala State Housing Board (KSHB)
MoU executed with KSHB	on 22/12/2020
Time of Completion of work as per MoU(ToC)	10 Months from the date of handing over of Hindrance free site to the contractor by KSHB
Date of commencement of work	06/11/2021
Time of Completion- expired on	05.09.2022
Actual date of completion of the work (as per the completion certificate)	21.10.2023
Delay occurred	411 days (from 06.09.2022 to 21.10.2023)
Extension granted	upto 31.03.2023 by the Syndicate (But, MoU not executed)

The Syndicate held on 09.02.2023 & 28.02.2023, 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 and 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. 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 needed 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 Cash II section.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21/11/2023 has considered the matter of approval of draft Second Supplemental MoU and imposing the fine during the extension period upto 31.03.2023 and made the following recommendations.

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 Building at Kariavattom, considering the matter reported by the University Engineer at the meeting that the payment of CC1 & 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 Syndicate Meeting held on 28.11.2023 has resolved:

- To approve the above recommendation at Sl.No (4) of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023.
- Further resolved to refer the item to the next Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate and action taken on it are detailed below:

Syndicate	Resolution	Action taken
Meeting held on 28.11.2023	To approve the above recommendation at Sl.No (4) of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2023.	<p>A meeting was held on 29.11.2023 with the Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G, Sri. R. Rajesh (Members Syndicate), officials of KSHB, Director (P & D), Finance Officer, University Engineer in connection with the Construction of School of Communication and Library science at Karyavattom campus.</p> <p>The meeting recommended the following:</p> <p>1) To entrust the University Engineer to have a discussion with KSHB in order to calculate the delay for effecting the payments in all the bills except CC I & part bill and CC II & part bill and to submit a detailed report on the matters on which decisions are required with regard to the subject work including the details (delay period with date and days) of bills and to place the report before the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.</p> <p>2) To entrust KSHB to direct the contractor of the work to make necessary arrangements to avoid stagnation of water on the roof and prevent water seepage of the building.</p> <p>3) To entrust the University Engineer to submit detailed estimate for the construction of first, second and terrace floor of the School of Communication and Library Science building and to place the same before the next Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.</p> <p>*** Minutes of the meeting was placed before the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023. The Syndicate, vide Item no. 07.16. has resolved to approve the above recommendations of the meeting. The Vice-Chancellor has ordered to implement the Syndicate decision. The decision of the Syndicate was intimated to the University Engineer on 03.01.2024.</p>
	Further resolved to refer the item to the next Syndicate.	<p>Placed before the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023 -Item no. 07.12.01.</p> <p><u>Resolution of the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Resolved that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development.</i>

The University Engineer, vide letter No. DB2/SCLS/2627/22 dtd 24.02.2024, has reported the following:

1. A meeting was convened on 11.01.2024 with the Engineers of KSHB.
2. In the meeting, the Assistant Executive Engineer of KSHB has detailed about the other hindrances that caused delay.
3. Entrusted the Assistant Executive Engineer KSHB to submit a detailed report for delay with proof of documents.
4. Accordingly the Executive Engineer KSHB had submitted a detailed report regarding the hindrance caused for the delay in executing the above said work.
5. The Assistant Executive Engineer of University has verified the hindrance register and reported that 411 days delay (from 06.09.2022 to 21.10.2023) has occurred due to heavy rain, quarry ban, Covid 19, Omicron, Heat wave on March – April months, re-tendering process of Electrical works and recommended to extend time of extension without fine.
6. The details of delay in bills except CC 1st and 2nd part bill reported by Assistant Executive Engineer-II are as follows. (The Assistant Executive Engineer II informed that a delay of 142 days has been occurred for getting payment to the contractor for 1st and 2nd part bill)

Bill details	Error free bill submitted by KSHB	Bill forwarded to Audit	Date of payment as per promisory note	Delay in payment
CC 3 rd and part bill	06.02.2023	10.02.2023	25.03.2023	43 days
CC 4 th and part bill	15.03.2023	22.03.2023	25.03.2023	No delay
CC 5 th and part bill	18.08.2023	Due to the delay in completion of work, the CC 5th part bill not processed.		

Based on the hindrance specified, supporting documents furnished by KSHB and recommendation of Executive Engineer, KSHB, the University Engineer has recommended to consider the request of KSHB for extension of time upto 21.10.2023 for the subject work without fine.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 06.05.2024 considered the matter of execution of Supplementary MoU, granting extension of Time of Completion of work and levying of penalty for delay. Also considered the report of the University Engineer on the request of KSHB for granting extension of time of completion of the work upto 21.10.2023 without fine, by examining the hindrance register and report of the Executive Engineer KSHB regarding the hindrance caused for the delay in executing work in detail. The Committee recommended:

"To entrust the three external experts [Sri. Mohan P, Retired Spdt. Engineer, PWD (Electrical), Sri. Asharaf Khan A (Assistant Executive Engineer, Municipal Engineering, LSGD) and Sri. Baby Johns J, Retired Chief Engineer, PWD (Buildings)], of the technical committee constituted for various construction works in the University, to study the matter and submit a report on the same.

To entrust the University Engineer to obtain the report from the external experts within 10 days.

To place the same before the next Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development.

Accordingly, a detailed note was forwarded to the external experts of the Technical committee on 19.07.2024, to study all the matter related to the work and to submit a report on the same.

Now, the University Engineer, vide letter dated 27.07.2024, has forwarded the report submitted by the external experts of the Technical Committee.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the report submitted by the external experts of the Technical Committee (**report is appended**) is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning & Development, for consideration.

Recommendation:

The Committee scrutinized the report of the External experts [Sri. Mohan P, Retired Spdt. Engineer, PWD (Electrical), Sri. Asharaf Khan A (Assistant Executive Engineer, Municipal Engineering, LSGD) and Sri. Baby Johns J, Retired Chief Engineer, PWD (Buildings)], of the technical committee constituted for various construction works in the University, submitted by the University Engineer in connection with the Construction of School of Communication and Library Science at Kariavattom campus and recommended the following:

1. *To accept the report of the External experts of the Technical Committee.*
2. *To grant extension of Time of Completion of the work upto 21.10.2023.*
3. *To levy the following fine/liquidated damages from the contractor as per the Clause 2112.1 in the Kerala PWD Manual and the Govt order no. G.O.(P).No.13/2012/PWD dated 01.02.2012, before effecting final payment.*
 - *For first extension of ToC (upto 31.03.2023) : Rs.50,000/-*
 - *For extension upto the completion of work(Second extension – upto 21.10.2023): Rs.1,00,000/-*
4. *To impose penalty @10% of centage charges to the PMC as per the Clause 2(g) of the MoU for the delay occurred in part of PMC in executing the project.*

5. *To admit the 5th bill after executing supplemental MoU of extension of Time of Completion and on limiting the quantities to the original schedule quantity/approved RE, as it is not the final bill.*
6. *To obtain copies of all statutory documents/ compliance from KSHB.*
7. *To release the balance centage charges to KSHB after deducting penalty @ 10% for the delay in completing the work.*

The Committee also recommended:

1. *To refer the matter of executing Supplemental MoU (Sl.no.2 in the report) before the Syndicate, along with the legal opinion from the Legal Adviser on the matter.*
2. *To refer the matter of granting approval for revised estimate (Sl.no.3 in the report) before the Syndicate, along with clarification report of KSHB on non execution of rain water harvesting and developmental works at the site.*

The meeting came to an end by 1.00 p.m.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development held on 30.07.2024, be approved.

The Syndicate considered the opinion of the Legal Advisor and **FURTHER RESOLVED** to grant extension of time completion of work upto 21.10.2023 by executing an MoU for ratifying the extended period.

ALSO RESOLVED to approve the revised estimate for the construction of building for School of Communication and Library Science at Kariavattom Campus based on the clarification report of KSHB.

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Item No.13.22 ***Construction of new building for the Department of Education at Kariavattom Campus - Re appropriation – Sanctioned – Orders Issued Reporting of -Reg.***

(P.L.C)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to an amount of ₹.47,50,000/- (Rupees Forty Seven Lakh Fifty Thousand only) being provided under the head of account "Part I Non Plan- MH 65-Works-10/5346- New Building for Department of Education" by re-appropriation from the subhead "10/5343- Dr.Ayyappa Panicker Memorial Foreign Languages Building" of the same major head provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University" for the expenditure incurred against the releasing of payment to the contractor, in the light of the following resolution of the Syndicate held on 02.07.2024, vide Item No. 11.04.11.

1. To ratify the excess quantities & extra items executed at site for proper completion of the above said project.
2. To grant permission to release the additional cost of work due to excess quantities & extra items executed at site and hike in GST limiting to Rs. 85,62,640/-, since the executed amount comes within the Administrative Sanctioned and Technical Sanctioned amount.

U.O No. 5547/2024/UOK dated. 06.07.2024 was issued to this effect.

As ordered by 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.13.23 ***Purchase of consumables for the Center for Advanced Cancer Research –Reporting of- reg.***

(Ad.BIVA)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 04/10/2023 vide item No.04.46.04.22, resolved to approve the recommendations of the Purchase Committee held on 18/09/2023, to purchase various consumables for the use in the Center for Advanced Cancer Research, Department of Biochemistry.

Accordingly, permission letter was forwarded to the HOD, Center for Advanced Cancer Research for the purchase of the same vide letter No. 31262/Ad B IV A/2023/UOK dated 21/10/2023.

The HOD, Center for Advanced Cancer Research, forwarded the bills and vouchers from the firms as detailed below requesting the payment, towards the supply of various consumables.

Sl No	Firm	Invoice No	Amount
1	Mayora Scientific Co, Thiruvananthapuram	3746 dated 02/12/23	Rs 40,647/-
2	Globe Scientific, Thiruvananthapuram	GS/1995/23-24 dated 04/12/23	Rs 95,061 /-
3	Genkrom, Thiruvananthapuram	GNK/0134/23-24dated 04/12/23	Rs 21,049 /-
		Total	Rs 1,56,757 /-

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor for the payment of Rs 1,56,757 /- (Rupees one lakh fifty six thousand seven hundred and fifty seven only) including GST to various firms as detailed above, towards the purchase of various consumables for the use in the Center for Advanced Cancer Research, Department of Biochemistry as envisaged in the Budget speech 2022-23.

The expenditure in this regard was met from the head of account "Part 1-NP-MH:63-Miscellaneous-8/6028-New Development Programs" of the current year's budget estimates of the University.

Accordingly, U.O.No.4517/2024/UOK dated 27/05/2024 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.

Item No.13.24 Purchase of spares/consumables for the ICPMS system - CLIF - Reporting of-reg. (Ad BIV A)

The Director, CLIF, vide letter no.CLIF/Purchase/52/2023-24 dated 13.06.2023 requested the purchase of Gated Circuit for Sophisticated Fluorescent Spectrometer installed at CLIF.

The Director, CLIF, was granted permission to purchase gated photometer circuit for N-G02 (200 nm- 870 nm) for sophisticated fluorescent spectrometer installed at CLIF from M/s Specialise instruments, Mumbai, for an amount of Rs 6,82,596 /- (Rupees six lakh eighty two thousand five hundred and ninety six only) including GST vide letter No. 36822/Ad B IV A/2023/UOK dated 10/11/2023.

The firm had supplied the items and submitted the bills and vouchers for payment.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, for the payment of Rs 6,82,596 /- (Rupees six lakh eighty two thousand five hundred and ninety six only) including GST to M/s Specialise instruments, Mumbai,towards the purchase of Gated Photomultiplier circuit for N-G02 (200 nm-870 nm) for sophisticated fluorescent spectrometer installed at CLIF.

The expenditure in this regard was met from the head of account "Part 1-NP-MH:59(e)-Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF) - 4/3020-Maintenance of Equipment" of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

Accordingly, U.O.No. 4268/2024/UOK dated 22/05/2024 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.

Item No.13.25 Purchase of Postage Stamps worth ₹3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh only) for loading in the Electronic Franking Machines of General Despatch I & II Section-Payment Sanctioned - Reporting of - reg. (Ad.BIV)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, for purchasing Stamps worth ₹3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh only) for loading in the Electronic Franking Machine installed in the General Despatch I & II section, meeting the expenditure from the h/a 'Part I -NP - MH: I (a) General Direction-4/1300- Postage' of the current year's budget estimates of the University. Accordingly U.O No 5403/2024/UOK dated 03.07.2024 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.

Item No.13.26 Panel of examiners for evaluation of Ph.D thesis- approved by Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor- Reporting of- Reg.

(Ac.E II)

The Panel of examiners of the following candidates have been approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor from 03/01/2024 to 30/06/2024 in exercise of his powers and functions of the Syndicate of the University conferred in him vide section 10(13) of Kerala University Act 1974.

SI No	Name of the Candidate	Name of the Supervising Teacher	Faculty	Subject
1.	Sujith A.	Dr. Aji S.	Applied Sciences & Technology	Computer Sciecne
2.	Anju S. Madanan	Dr. Sony George	Science	Chemistry
3.	Abhilash S.	Dr.Rijith S.	Science	Chemistry
4.	Asa P. S.	Dr. Chithra P. G. Dr. Anitha Kumary V. (coguide)	Science	Chemistry
5.	Sreen Thomas	Dr. Rathika Nath G.	Science	Chemistry
6.	Lekshmi Kamal K. S.	Dr. Manoj Changat	Science	Mathematics
7.	Rakhi Ramachandran	Dr. C. Satheesh Kumar	Science	Statistics
8.	Darris M. S.	Dr. S. M. A. Shibli	Science	Chemistry
9.	Maya G. S. Thankachy	Dr. Ullas Chandran S.V.	Science	Mathematics
10.	Renjini Raveendran P.	Dr. Beena S.	Science	Mathematics
11.	Manjusha V.	Dr. T. S. Anirudhan	Science	Chemistry
12.	Akhilash M.	Dr. Bibin John	Science	Chemistry
13.	Sathyareji G. S.	Dr. E. I.AbdulSathar	Science	Statistics
14.	Satheenthara A. S.	Dr. C. Satheesh Kumar	Science	Statistics
15.	Archana V. P.	Dr. Dinesh Babu K. V.	Science	Chemistry
16.	Raji R. Krishnan	Dr. Prema K. H.	Science	Chemistry
17.	Athira Chandran	Dr. G. Suresh Singh	Science	Mathematics
18.	Sabitha Mohan M. R.	Dr. Rani Pavithran	Science	Chemistry
19.	Deepa M. U	Dr. Bindhu G. R.	Engineering & Technology	Electrical & Electronics Engineering
20.	Neha Elizabeth Thomas	Dr.Vishnu Namboothiri K.	Science	Mathematics
21.	Sibi Joy	Dr. Jayasree P. K. Dr. K. Balan (coguide)	Engineering & Technology	Civil Engineering
22.	Jeny Jacob	Dr. Manoj Changat	Science	Mathematics
23.	Antony Sanoj Jerome	Dr. Santhosh Kumar K.	Science	Mathematics
24.	Leena G. Pillai	Dr. Muhammad Noorul Mubarak	Applied Sciences & Technology	Computer Science
25.	Chempak Kumar A.	Dr. Muhammad Noorul Mubarak	Applied Sciences & Technology	Computer Science
26.	Sreeja S.	Dr. Muhammad Noorul Mubarak	Applied Sciences & Technology	Computer Science
27.	Jaichand J	Dr.K.K.Sabu, Dr.V.Thankamani	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
28.	Niveditha K	Dr. T. S. Swapna	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
29.	Shijina Beegum N	Dr.P.G.Biju	Science	Biochemistry

30	Abeesh P	Dr.Guruvayoorappan C	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
31	Drishya Sudarsananan	Dr.Guruvayoorappan C	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
32	Prasanth M.S	Dr.Padmaja V	Medicine	Pharmaceutical Sciences
33	R.J. Reshmi Nair	Dr.K.K.Sabu, Dr.Suja.K.P	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
34	Jijimole G. R	Dr.R.Ajaykumar	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
35	Jeeva S.E	Dr.Pradeepkumar	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
36	Surumi B	Dr,Prabhakumari C, Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
37	Jijin R	Dr.P.G.Biju	Science	Biochemistry
38	Roma Mathew	Dr.Joyamma Varkey	Medicine	Pharmaceutical Sciences
39	Samu John	Dr.S. Asha Nair	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
40	Anjana Soman	Dr.S. Asha Nair	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
41	Aparna N.S	Dr.Saja K	Science	Chemistry
42	Neetha R L	Dr.Priya Srinivas	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
43	Jissy Joseph	Dr.Arun A. Rauf, Dr.Boby T. Edwin	Science	Chemistry
44	PraseejaR.J	Dr.V.V.Asha	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
45	Parvanendhu P	Dr.E. Sreekumar	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
46	Cici Mathew	Dr.Joyamma Varkey	Medicine	Pharmaceutical Sciences
47	Anil Prakash	Dr.Moinak Banerjee	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
48	Amritha P.Kumar	Dr.S.Hariharan	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
49	Aswani S S	Dr.Saja K	Science	Biochemistry
50	Anjali S	Dr.Mini S	Science	Biochemistry
51	Shimsa S	Dr.Mini S	Science	Biochemistry
52	Shifila A. N	Dr.Joyamma Varkey	Medicine	Pharmaceutical Sciences
53	Sherin A. Hameed	Dr.Joyamma Varkey	Medicine	Pharmaceutical Sciences
54	Indira G	Dr.Joyamma Varkey	Medicine	Pharmaceutical Sciences
55	Ajinza A	Dr.Arun A. Rauf, Dr.Boby T. Edwin	Science	Chemistry
56	Devi R	Dr.K. madhavanNampoothiri	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
57	SulfathT.P	Dr.Lakshmi S	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
58	Asha Thomas	Dr.Joyamma Varkey	Medicine	Pharmaceutical Sciences

59	Archana M. G	Dr. T. T. Sreelekha	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
60	Soumya S	Dr. Mini S	Science	Biochemistry
61	Rayginia P. Tennyson	Dr. Ruby John Anto	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
62	Shibin Felix P.	Dr. S. William Decruse, Dr. Radha R. K.	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
63	Aswathy Anand A.	Dr. Sabu K. K., Dr. Radha R. K.	Applied Sciences and Technology	Biotechnology
64	Anitha Thomas	Dr. Joyamma Varkey	Medicine	Pharmaceutical Sciences
65	Kumari Vidya I V	Dr. R. Asha Devi	Science	Zoology
66	Anjali V R	Dr. Aruna Devi C	Science	Zoology
67	Najeed S	Dr. P. Sreejith	Science	Zoology
68	Akhilesh S. V. Nair	Dr. A. Gangaprasad Dr. Rameshkumar K. B. (Co-guide)	Science	Botany
69	Jeyaraj S	Dr. Suhara Beevy S	Science	Botany
70	Shehna Mahim S	Dr. Aruna Devi C	Science	Zoology
71	Sandra B S	Dr. F. G. Benno Pereira	Science	Zoology
72	Anjali Jayan	Dr. A. K. Sreekala	Science	Botany
73	Vindhya V S	Dr. Sandhia G S Dr. Subramanian S (Co-guide)	Science	Botany
74	Anjali Vinod	Dr. C. A. Jayaprakas	Science	Zoology
75	Lekshmy Suresh	Dr. S. William Decruse	Science	Botany
76	Geetha Raj J A	Dr. Hariharan S	Science	Zoology
77	Amitha S Chandra	Dr. P. M. Radhamany	Science	Botany
78	Gisha Rose Antony	Dr. Lakshmi S	Science	Zoology
79	Rakhi B S	Dr. Sandhia G S	Science	Botany
80	Indu B Nair	Dr. M. C. Subhash Peter	Science	Zoology
81	Arya M. S.	Dr. Biju A	Science	Zoology
82	Shaina Jerald	Dr. A. Gangaprasad Dr. Sam P Mathew (Co-guide)	Science	Botany
83	Meera Krishnan	Dr. Praveen Dhar T Dr. Sreeja Thankappan (Co-guide) Dr. Sreejai R (Co-guide)	Science	Botany
84	Arya Prabha M	Dr. Rajesh Kumar T	Science	Botany
85	Reshma Raju	Dr. A. Gangaprasad	Science	Botany
86	Reshma P R	Dr. Lajja S Nair Dr. Bindu R. Nair	Science	Botany
87	Arya C P	Dr. C. K. Pradeep	Science	Botany
88	Arya M R	Dr. Suhara Beevy S Dr. Mathew Dan (Co-Guide)	Science	Botany
89	Soorya S	Dr. T. Swapna Dr. K. K. Sabu (Co-guide)	Science	Botany
90	Suresh Kumar K A	Dr. Anilkumar C Dr. K. G. Ajith Kumar (Co-guide)	Science	Botany
91	Bhavya L R	Dr. M. G. Sanal Kumar	Science	Zoology
92	Aswin S. R.	Dr. M. G. Sanal Kumar	Science	Zoology

93	Namitha L H	Dr.SuharaBeevy S	Science	Botany
94	Saranya P K	Dr.SuharaBeevy S	Science	Botany
95	Lincy Alex	Dr.M.K. Anil	Science	Aquatic Biology & Fisheries
96	Akhil M. Anand	Dr. R. Jayakrishnan	Science	Physics
97	Dhanyaprabha K.C	Dr. Hysen Thomas	Science	Physics
98	Haritha V.S	Dr. Rakhi R.B	Science	Physics
99	Shania James	Dr. Sajin Kumar K.S	Science	Geology
100	Anandhu T.P	Dr. Sreekanth J. Varma	Science	Physics
101	Rajaneesh A.	Dr. Sajin Kumar K.S Dr. A.P. Pradeepkumar (Co-guide)	Science	Geology
102	Sreeja R.	Dr. M.S. Roxy Dr.Premlet B. (Co-guide)	Science	Physics
103	Manoj Mohan	Dr. Hysen Thomas	Science	Physics
104	Silpa Thankan	Dr. V. Nandakumar	Science	Geology
105	Anju P.M	Dr. Swapna Ramachandran	Science	Psychology
106	Athira Rajan	Dr. Sibi K.S Dr. Subodh G. (Co-guide)	Science	Physics
107	Mahesh A.	Dr. Jawahar I.N Dr. V. Biju (Co-guide)	Science	Physics
108	Seena A.	Dr. Anil Chandran S.	Science	Demography
109	Twinkle A.R	Dr. K.C. Bright	Science	Physics
110	Jasmine Jose	Dr. Vinoy Thomas	Science	Physics
111	Ramya R.	Dr. Anil Chandran S.	Science	Demography
112	Nimmy A.V	Dr. V. Biju Dr. Ananda Kumar V.M (Co-guide)	Science	Physics
113	Steffy Maria Jose	Prof. (Dr.) Jijimon K. Thomas	Science	Physics
114	MereenaC.S	Dr. T.K. Prasad Dr.Srikumar Chattopadhyay (Co-guide)	Science	Geography
115	Elizabeth Mathew	Dr. I. Hubert Joe	Science	Physics
116	Gokul V.	Prof. S. Sankararaman	Applied Sciences and Technology	Optoelectronics
117	Jishad A. Salam	Dr. R. Jayakrishnan	Science	Physics
118	Reghunadh K.	Dr. K. Anoop Krishnan	Applied Sciences and Technology	Environmental Sciences
119	Devi Chandra R.	Dr. K.G. Gopchandran	Applied Sciences and Technology	Optoelectronics
120	Vibhu T.S	Dr. Arun S. Prasad	Science	Physics
121	Junaida M.I	Dr.Achuthsankar S. Nair Dr. P.R. Sudhakaran (Co-guide) Dr. Oommen V. Oommen (Co-guide)	Applied Sciences and Technology	Computational Biology and Bioinformatics
122	Rashmi Sukumaran	Dr.Achuthsankar S. Nair Dr.Moinak Banerjee (Co-guide)	Applied Sciences and Technology	Computational Biology and Bioinformatics
123	Arsha N.	Dr. Mamata Sahoo	Science	Physics

The matter regarding the approval of the panel of the examiners of Ph.D candidates in various faculties 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.13.27 **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.1,28,750/- [Rupees Onelakhtwenty eight thousand seven hundred and fiftyonly] + 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 2024-2025, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. U.O.No.L.S.14023/2024 dated 06.06.2024 was issued accordingly. The details are given below:

The amount admitted	Rs.1,28,750/- (Rupees One lakh twenty eight thousand seven hundred and fifty only)+ 18 % GST
Tax Deducted at Source @ 10%	Rs.12,875/- (Rupees Twelve thousand eight hundred and seventy five only)
GST being paid by the University @ 18%	Rs.23,175/- (Rupees Twenty three thousand one hundred and seventy five only)
Net amount payable	Rs.1,15,875/- (Rupees One lakh fifteen thousand eight hundred and seventy 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.

Item No.13.28 **KSHEC - Chief Minister's Navakerala Post Doctoral Fellowships - 2022-23 Release of 30% of First Year Contingency Grant - Sanctioned – Orders issued- Reporting of – reg.**

(P.L.D)

The Kerala State Higher Education Council (KSHEC), approved and released a sum of ₹.1,70,000/ (Rupees One lakh seventy thousand only) towards the 20% of the total first year contingency grant for the below mentioned scholars, vide Proceeding No. KSHEC-A1/144/CMNPF (2ndBatch)- Mode II /Contingency Fund/56/2022-23 dated 02/02/2024 and the same was released to the scholars vide U.O.No.4129/2024/UOK dated 17.05.2024 .

Now, KSHEC has approved and released a sum of ₹ 2,55,000/- (Rupees Two lakh fifty five thousand only) towards 30% of the total contingency fund as the second installment for the First Year, to the following Chief Minister's Navakerala Post Doctoral Fellows of the University, vide Proceedings No. KSHEC-A1/144/CMNPF (2ndBatch)- Mode II /Contingency Fund/206/2022-23 dated 09/05/2024.

Sl. No	Name of the CMNPD Fellow	Name of the Mentor	Department/ Centre	Amount
1	Dr.ShidhiP.R	Dr. G Prasad, Professor and Head Department of Zoology	Department of Zoology	₹ 60,000/-
2	Dr. Sarika S.	Prof. Dr. SMA Shibli Director, Centre for Renewable Energy and Materials	Centre for Renewable Energy &Materials	₹ 60,000/-
3	Dr. Roshna S.H.	Dr. V Biju Head, Department of Physics	Department of Physics	₹ 60,000/-

4	Dr. Nadiya F.	Dr. R Rajalakshmi Director, Inter-University Centre for Genomics and Gene Technology	Inter University Centre for Genomics & Gene Technology, Department of Biotechnology	₹ 60,000/-
5	Dr. Methil Devika	Dr. Antony Palakkal, Professor (Rtd), Department of Sociology	Department of Sociology	₹ 15,000/-
		Total		₹ 2,55,000/-

Sanction has therefore, been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the following, subject to reporting to the Syndicate:

1. To release an amount of ₹ 2,55,000/- (Rupees Two lakh fifty five thousand only) towards 30% of the total first year contingency grant in respect of the above said five Chief Minister's Navakerala (CMN) Post Doctoral Fellows through the corresponding Heads of the Departments/Centre, as per the norms of the sponsoring body.
2. The expenditure in this regard shall be booked under the head of account "Part III MH 80:D-Grants from other agencies- 9/7728- Chief Minister's Navakerala Post Doctoral Fellowship" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.
3. The contingency amount shall be utilized to meet the actual expense occurred for the purchase of chemicals, glassware, books, other minor accessories and characterization charges etc occurred during the implementation of the project.
4. The expenditure for the purchase of any major equipment, computer, printer etc. shall not be met under the contingency fund.
5. Utilization Certificate furnished in the prescribed format of KSHEC with regard to the contingency, along with the audited statement of expenditure with bills and vouchers must be submitted along with the request for 2nd year's contingency fund.

Accordingly, U.O.No.5368/2024/UOK dated 02.07.2024 has been issued.

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.

Item No.13.29

Upgradation of Hologram Software - M/s C-Dit, Thiruvananthapuram – Reporting of-Reg.

(Ad.BIV CP(A))

The Combined Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Examinations held on 28/10/2020 considered the proposal for upgradation of the Hologram software and recommended to agree to the Project proposal submitted by M/s C-Dit, Thiruvananthapuram with a financial outlay of Rs 2,58,528 /- (Rupees Two Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Eight only) and to initiate work order. It was further recommended to authorize the Finance Officer to meet the expenditure in this regard from the unavailed portion of estimated cost for the modernization of the Examination wing provided in the Budget speech 2020-2021.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 10/11/2020 vide item No. 23.01, resolved to approve the recommendations of the Combined Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Examinations held on 28/10/2020.

Accordingly, the University executed an agreement with the Registrar, C-Dit, Thiruvananthapuram, for the upgradation of the Hologram software with a financial outlay of 2,58,528/- (Rupees Two Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Eight only).

As per the agreement, the payment of Rs 1,29,264 /- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Four only) (50% of the total cost of the project) was paid as advance vide U.O.No. EK 1/Ad. D1.129150/UCC/2019 dated 24/09/2021.

Also work order for upgradation of the Hologram software was issued to M/s C-Dit, Thiruvananthapuram, vide letter No. EK 1/Ad.D1.129150/UCC/2019 dated 01/10/2021.

M/s C-Dit, Thiruvananthapuram, had submitted the bills, requesting the balance payment for the software (excluding data migration charges) of Rs.1,11,953/- (Rupees One Lakh Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Three only).

The Scientific Officer (i/c) submitted the work satisfactory report.

The Vice Chancellor has accorded sanction, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, for the payment of Rs 1,11,953 /- (Rupees One Lakh Eleven Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Three only) to M/s C-Dit, Thiruvananthapuram, towards the balance payment of upgradation of Hologram Software (Excluding data migration charges).

Accordingly, the **U.O.No. 01/2023/UOK dated 15/09/2023** was issued.

The expenditure in this regard was met from the h/a "Part 1-NP-MH:63-Miscellaneous-8/6028-New Development Programmes" of 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.

Item No.13.30 **Purchase of various equipment - E-tender – Release of EMD – Sanctioned- Orders issued- Reporting of – Reg.**

(Pl.AI)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to release a total amount of **Rs.2,70,000/- (Rupees Two lakh seventy thousand only)** towards the refund of the EMD remitted by various firms for participating in the e-tender for the purchase of equipment as listed below.

Sl. No.	Department	Equipment Name	Name of Firm	EMD amount in Rs.
1.	Nanoscience and Nanotechnology	Computerization of the Photocurrent Measurement set-up for measurement of Photocurrent Spectrum and Quantum Efficiency	M/s Laser Spectra Services India Pvt. Ltd.	25,000/-
2.	Geology	Wavelength Dispersive X-Ray Fluorescence Spectrometer	M/s Bruker India Scientific Pvt. Ltd.	25,000/-
3.	Chemistry	TCSPC Lifetime Fluorescence Spectrometer with Microscope Facility	M/s Specialise Instruments Marketing Company	1,50,000/-
4.	Chemistry	Simultaneous Fluorescence and Absorbance Spectrometer	M/s Laser Spectra Services India Pvt. Ltd.	20,000/-
5.	Optoelectronics	EDAX System on buy back basis	M/s Bruker India Scientific Pvt. Ltd.	25,000/-
6.	Botany	Digital Electrophoresis System (DNA Analyzer)	M/s BIOGENE	25,000/-

UO No: 4892/2024/UOK dated 14/06/2024 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the aforementioned payment of Rs. 2,70,000/- (Rupees Two lakh seventy thousand only) , towards refund of EMD to various firms, 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.13.31 **KUCTE, Kunnam- Arrears of wages of Locally Engaged Employees for the period from 01.11.2021 to 31.08.2023 - Sanctioned- Reporting of - reg.**
(Ad.AVIA)

The remuneration of daily wage employees of KUCTEs was enhanced and the category of 'casual employees' at KUCTEs has been changed to 'Locally Engaged Employees', vide U.O.No. Ad.AV.12762.(1.A)/2023/UOK dated 15.09.2023 and it was also ordered that the monetary benefits will be granted w.e.f. 01.11.2021. Accordingly, the Principal, KUCTE, Kunnam, has forwarded the statement of arrears of locally engaged employees at the centre w.e.f. 01.11.2021 to 31.08.2023 and requested sanction for payment of arrears of wages. Even though sanction was accorded to an amount of ₹1,77,050/-, being paid to the Principal, towards disbursement of arrears of wages, the same could not be released due to the insufficient funds under the head of account "Part I NP – MH 66 (h) Kerala University College of Teacher Education, Kunnam – Contingencies - 4 - 1218 - Wages of Contingent Employees/Guest lecturers" provided in the Budget estimates of 2023-24 of the University.

The expenditure of ₹1,77,050/- was therefore sanctioned by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to report to the Syndicate, towards the disbursement of arrears of wages to the Locally Engaged Employees for the period from 01.11.2021 to 31.08.2023, as detailed below, from the current years budget estimate of the University.

Sl. No.	Name and Designation	Admissible Amount in ₹
1	Prasanna Kumari S Locally engaged Library Assistant	36,000/-
2	Ramachandran P Locally engaged Peon/Day Watchman	17,050/-
3	Raji Krishna Lal Locally engaged Typist	34,200/-
4	Mini P Locally engaged Peon	36,375/-
5	Ajithkumar R Locally engaged Night Watchman	17,050/-
6	Valsala K Locally engaged Sweeper	36,375/-
TOTAL		1,77,050/- (Rupees One lakh seventy seven thousand and fifty only)

Accordingly U.O.No. Ad A VII A/5899/2024/UOK dated 18.07.2024 sanctioning arrears of wages of locally engaged employees for the period from 01.11.2021 to 31.08.2023 was issued.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the payment of an amount of ₹1,77,050/- (Rupees One lakh seventy seven thousand and fifty only) towards the disbursement of arrears of wages to the Locally Engaged Employees for the period from 01.11.2021 to 31.08.2023 is therefore 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.13.32 **University Institute of Technology, Thenmala- Remuneration of Guest Lecturers - Approval of Endorsement of Finance - Reporting of – reg.**
(Ad.A VII)

The Principal, University Institute of Technology, Thenmala, forwarded the work statement of guest lecturers for claiming remuneration amounting to ₹1,04,650/- (Rupees One lakh four thousand six hundred and fifty only) for the period from 21.02.2024 to 20.03.2024.

The Finance Section has endorsed an amount of ₹4,00,000/- (Rupees Four lakh only) vide Endt.FOS.985/Finance I/2024-25 dated 10.06.2024 for the first quarter of the current financial year (01.04.2024 to 30.06.2024) from the head of account Part-I-NP-MH-67-12-Institute of Technology, Regional Centre, Thenmala -4/1218 - Wages of Contingent Employees /Guest Lectures" of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University, for meeting the expenditure on remuneration of guest lecturers of UIT Thenmala.

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the Finance endorsement, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. The payment of Rs.1,04,650/- (Rupees One lakh four thousand six hundred and fifty only) was thereafter effected towards disbursement of remuneration to guest faculty for the period from 21.02.2024 to 20.03.2024 vide U.ONo.Ad AVII 5284/2024/UOK dated 28.06.2024.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the Finance endorsement allocating Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees Four lakh only) for meeting the expenditure for the first quarter of the Financial Year 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.13.33 ***INSPIRE Fellowship - payment of 4th Installment of fellowship to Ms.Aswathy Devi P, Junior Research Fellow, Department of Environmental Sciences- Reporting of -reg. (Ac.EIII)***

The Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India had sanctioned an amount of Rs.4,51,520/- (Rupees Four Lakh Fifty One Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty only) including the carry forward amount of Rs.1,29,920/- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty Only) kept in KUF (B) account as the uspent balance of Third Installment and released an amount of Rs.3,21,600/- (Rupees Three Lakh Twenty One Thousand Six Hundred Only) via PFMS towards the 4th installment of INSPIRE Fellowship in respect of Ms. Aswathy Devi P, Junior Research Fellow, Department of Environmental Sciences for the period 01.06.2019 to 31.05.2020 vide Sanction Order No.DST/INSPIRE fellowship/2015/IF150926 dated 05.06.2024.

Accordingly, sanction has there fore, been accorded by the Vice Chancellor for the payment and release of 4th installment of INSPIRE fellowship of Rs.4,51,520/- (Rupees Four Lakh Fifty One Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty only) to Ms. Aswathy Devi P, Junior Research Fellow, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala , Kariavattom, as per the norms of the sponsoring authority. The University Order No.5958/2024/UOK dated 19.07.2024 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.13.34 ***Implementation of 'Student Life Cycle Management System' - Introducing QR code Pre- printed Answer Sheet Management in Student Life Cycle Management System – Work Order issued – Reporting of***

(Pl.AI)

The Software Management Technical Committee of 'Student Life Cycle Management System' held on 08.05.24 has approved the Change Request -003 in connection with the 'Introduction of pre-printed QR codes in the Answer scripts'. Earlier, the Monitoring Committee held on 15.02.24 approved the negotiated amount of Rs.17,47000/- (Rupees Seventeen lakh forty seven thousand only), excluding GST, in connection with the Introduction of pre-printed QR codes in the Answer scripts, as a new module in Student Life Cycle Management System, along with proposal submitted by M/s ITI, Palakkad.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.05.2024 (10.104.01), has allocated an amount of Rs.70,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Lakhs only), for meeting expenditure in connection with the implementation of the main Project 'Student Life Cycle Management' Project and the anticipated Change Requests in the Annual Plan Proposals of the University for the year 2024-25.

The proposals for State Plan Grant for the financial year 2024-25 have been submitted to the Government on 15.05.2024 and the Departmental Working Group held on 01.06.2024 was attended by the Director (P&D). Issuance of G O in this regard is awaited.

Considering the payment conditions with respect to Change Request-003 the Finance has remarked that "**The payment conditions mentioned in the MOU under Payment and Payment conditions Clause (b) are preferred for the payment of the change request proposal. However, if the payment condition submitted by M/s ITI Palakkad for the change request proposal (50% of the total cost as advance and 50% after implementation of software) is to be considered, a bank guarantee may be obtained from the firm for the amount paid**"

As per the payment conditions in the MoU executed with M/s ITI Ltd for the main project Implementation of 'Student Life Cycle Management System', the payment is to be released in five instalments.

The Vice -Chancellor has accorded sanction for the following, subject to reporting to the Syndicate:

- 1) work order be issued to M/s ITI Limited, Palakkad , for works detailed in the Change Request-003, ie Introduction of pre-printed QR codes in the Answer scripts in connection with the Project "Implementation of Student Life Cycle Management System".
- (2) the payment condition for the Change Request No. 3 be same as that of the Main project "Development and Implementation of Student Life Cycle Management System (Examination Management Software)", as outlined under the 'Payment and Payment Condition' clause in the MOU (i.e., 20% payment as advance and the remaining in increments of 20% upon completion of each milestone).

Accordingly, the matter was intimated to the firm vide letter. No. PL.A1/SLCM/Change. Request/2024- 25 dated 08.07.2024.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor, in having issued Work Order to the firm 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.13.35

INSPIRE Fellowship- Payment of third instalment of grant to Ms. Abhirami, Junior Research Fellow , Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Kerala, Kariavattom- Reporting of -reg.

(Ac.E III)

The Department of Science & Technology (DST) had sanctioned and released an amount of Rs.3,29,958/- (Rupees Three Lakh Twenty nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Eight Only) towards the 3rd instalment of INSPIRE fellowship to Ms. Abhirami, Research Scholar, Dept. of Biochemistry for the period 15.10.2023 to 31.03.2024.

Accordingly, Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor for the payment and release of 3rd instalment of INSPIRE fellowship amounting to Rs.3,29,958/- (Rupees Three Lakh Twenty nine Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Eight Only) for the period from 15.10.2023 to 31.03.2024, by utilizing the funds from DST INSPIRE in r/o Ms. Abhirami, Junior Research Fellow, Dept. of Biochemistry. The University Order No. 5444/2024/UOK dated 03.07.2024 has been issued in this regard.

As per the orders of 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.13.36

ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship- Payment of First Installment of First Year grant to Ms.Jayalekshmi J S, ICSSR Research Scholar, Department of Sociology- Reporting of -reg.

(Ac.EIII)

Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi had sanctioned an amount of Rs.2,60,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh and Sixty Thousand only) to Ms.Jayalekshmi J.S, ICSSR Research Scholar, Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, towards the first year grant of ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship for the period from 27.12.2023 to 26.12.2024 and released an amount of Rs.1,30,000/- (Rupees One Lakh and Thirty Thousand only) as the First Installment of First Year Fellowship vide Sanction Order No.ICSSR/RFD/2023-24/185 dated 27.12.2023.

Accordingly, sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to release an amount of Rs.1,30,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Thousand only), subject to reporting to the Syndicate, towards the first installment of first year of ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship in r/o Ms.Jayalekshmi J S, ICSSR Research Scholar, Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, as per the norms of the sponsoring authority. The University order No.4958/2024/UOK dated 19.06.2024 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.13.37 ***INSPIRE fellowship- Payment of 5th instalment of grant to Ms.Soumya.KR, Junior Research Fellow, Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, University of Kerala, Kariavattom- Reportingof-reg.***

(Ac.EIII)

The Department of Science and Technology (DST), Govt.of India, had sanctioned and released an amount of Rs.4,47,160/- (Rupees Four Lakh Forty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Only) to the zero balance subsidiary account maintained in the Bank of Maharashtra linked with DST scheme under the scheme code '1817- Science and Technology Institutional and Human Capacity Building' in the PFMS portal to Ms. Soumya K R, Junior Research Fellow, Dept. of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, University of Kerala, Kariavattom towards the 5th instalment of INSPIRE fellowship for the period from 08.07.2023 to 31.03.2024.

Accordingly, Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor for the payment and release of an amount of Rs.4,47,160/- (Rupees Four Lakh Forty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Only) to Ms.Soumya K R, Junior Research Fellow, Dept. of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, University of Kerala, Kariavattom towards the 5th instalment of INSPIRE fellowship by utilising the fund from DST through online PFMS system as per the norms of the sponsoring authority, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. The University Order No.5554/2024/UOK dated 06.07.2024 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.13.38 ***ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship-Payment of First instalment of First year grant to Ms. Ammu Sabu, Research Scholar, Department of Commerce - reporting of -reg.***

(Ac.EIII)

Indian council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) had sanctioned an amount of Rs.2,60,000/-(Rupees Two Lakh Sixty Thousand Only) towards the Second Year Grant of ICSSR Doctoral fellowship and released an amount of Rs.1,30,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Thousand Only) towards the First instalment of Second year grant of ICSSR fellowship for the period from 27.12.2023 to 26.12.2024 in r/o Ms.Ammu Sabu, Research Scholar, Department of Commerce, University of Kerala, Kariavattom vide Order No.ICSSR/RFD/2023-24/8 dated 27.12.2023.

Accordingly, sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to release an amount of Rs.1,30,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Thousand only) ,subject to reporting the Syndicate, towards the First instalment of Second year grant of ICSSR Doctoral fellowship to Ms.Ammu Sabu, Research Scholar, Department of Commerce, as per the norms of sponsoring authority. University Order No.5802/2024/UOK dated 12.07.2024 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.13.39 *ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship- Payment of First Installment of First Year grant to Ms.Surabhi Ghai, ICSSR Research Scholar, Department of Sociology- Reporting of-reg.*

(Ac.EIII)

Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi had sanctioned an amount of Rs.2,60,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh and Sixty Thousand only) to Ms.Surabhi Ghai, ICSSR Research Scholar, Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, towards the first year grant of ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship for the period from 27.12.2023 to 26.12.2024 and released an amount of Rs.1,30,000/- (Rupees One Lakh and Thirty Thousand only) as the First Installment of First Year Fellowship vide Sanction Order No.ICSSR/RFD/2023-24/179 dated 27.12.2023.

Accordingly, sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to release an amount of Rs.1,30,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Thousand only), subject to reporting to the Syndicate, towards the first installment of first year of ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship in r/o Ms.Surabhi Ghai, ICSSR Research Scholar, Department of Sociology, University of Kerala, as per the norms of the sponsoring authority. The University order No.5801/2024/UOK dated 12.07.2024 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.13.40 *ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship-Payment of Second installment of Second year grant to Mr.Gopish.G, Research Scholar, Department of Commerce - reporting of -reg.*

(Ac.EIII)

Indian council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) had sanctioned an amount of Rs.2,60,000/-(Rupees Two Lakh Sixty Thousand Only) towards the Second Year Grant of ICSSR Doctoral fellowship and released an amount of Rs.1,10,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Ten Thousand Only) towards the Second installment of Second year grant of ICSSR fellowship for the period from 16/12/2022 to 15/12/2023 in r/o Mr.Gopish.G, Research Scholar, Department of Commerce, University of Kerala, Kariavattom vide Order No.RFD/2021-22/GEN/COMM/100 dated 29.05.2023.

Accordingly, sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to release an amount of Rs.1,10,000/-(Rupees One Lakh Ten Thousand only) ,subject to reporting the Syndicate, towards the Second installment of Second year grant of ICSSR Doctoral fellowship to Mr.Gopish.G, Research Scholar, Department of Commerce, as per the norms of sponsoring authority. The University Order No.5888/2024/UOK dated 18.07.2024 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.13.41 *Purchase of Liquid Helium for FT - Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Spectrometer installed at CLIF- Payment -Reporting of- reg.*

(Ad.BIV A)

The FT-Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Spectrometer installed at CLIF was purchased from M/s Bruker India Private Ltd, Mumbai. As per U.O.No. PL.D.3916/RUSA/Vol.II/2016 dated 27/08/2016, the Firm has supplied and maintained its requisite level of Liquid Helium for the period of 5 years (warranty period) and after the warranty period, the same has to be continued on payment basis.

Accordingly, the Director, CLIF, Karyavattiom, was granted permission to purchase 200 litres of Liquid Helium (in two phase- 100 litres each) from M/s Bruker India Scientific Pvt. Ltd, Mumbai, for an amount of Rs 6,95,492/- (Rupees Six Lakhs Ninety Five Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety Two only) including GST, vide letter No.6190/Ad B IV A/2023/UOK dated 03/02/2023.

The Director, CLIF, has carried out the first phase purchase of 100 litres of Liquid Helium for the use in the NMR Spectrometer installed at CLIF. The payment of Rs.3,47,746/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Six only) to M/s Bruker India Scientific Pvt. Ltd, Mumbai, towards the supply of 100 litres of Liquid Helium for the use in the NMR Spectrometer installed at CLIF was made vide U.O.No.9712/2023/UOK dated 30/11/2023.

The Director, CLIF, Karyavattiom, has carried out the purchase of final refill of 100 litres of Liquid Helium from M/s Bruker India Scientific Pvt. Ltd, Mumbai, for an amount of Rs 3,47,746 /- (Rupees Three Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Six only). The payment was issued vide U.O.No.6127/2024/UOK dated 23/07/2024.

The Expenditure in this regard was met from the head of account "Part 1-NP-MH:59(e)- Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF) - 4/2270 - Gas Charges" of 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.

Item No.13.42 Purchase of various items for the use in the University Press - Reporting of- Reg.

(Ad.BIVA)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 20/05/2023 vide item No.57.28.Additional 01.02 resolved to approve the recommendations of the Purchase Committee held on 05/05/2023 to purchase various items for the use in the University Press. Accordingly, purchase sanction letter No.25960/Ad.B IV A/2022/UOK dated 16/06/2023 was issued to the Press Superintendent, Kerala University Press.

Accordingly, the Superintendent in charge, Kerala University Press, carried out the purchase and forwarded the bills and vouchers from two firms as follows:

Sl No	Firm	Amount
1	Hareram Agencies & Suppliers, Thiruvananthapuram	Rs 15,15,135 /-
2	M/s Om Parkash & Company, Ambala, Haryana	Rs 20,26,290 /-

The payment to the firm M/s Hareram Agencies & Suppliers, Thiruvananthapuram was issued vide U.O.No. No.U.O.No.1374/2024/UOK dated 13/02/2024.

The payment order for M/s Om Prakash & Company, Ambala, Haryana, was issued vide U.O.No.Ad B IV CP(A)/1373/22024/UOK dated 13/02/2024.

The bills and vouchers were forwarded to the Superintendent, Kerala University Press. While processing the payment, it was found that the name of the firm is mentioned M/s Om Prakash & Company, Ambala, Haryana, in some documents and in some other documents, it is mentioned as M/s Om Parkash & Company, Ambala, Haryana.

Hence, the firm was contacted to submit clarification on the same. The firm had informed vide letter dated 27/02/2024, that the name of the firm is M/s Om Parkash & Co., Ambala, Haryana. Also forwarded the GST registration details and cancelled cheque.

The firm has also submitted the bills and vouchers, with corrected name as "Om Parkash & Company, Ambala, Haryana".

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09/05/2024 vide item No.10.71.Additional 02 resolved as follows:

"Based on the clarification and documents submitted by the firm M/s Om Parkash & Co, Ambala, Haryana, the Syndicate resolved the following:

- 1) To release the payment to the firm with corrected name "M/s Om Parkash & Company, Ambala, Haryana
- 2) To revise the name of the firm as M/s Om Parkash & Company, Ambala, Haryana in the purchase order issued vide letter No. 25960/Ad B IV A/2022/UOK dated 16/06/2023
- 3) To revise the name of the firm as M/s Om Parkash & Company, Ambala, Haryana, in the payment order issued vide U.O.No. Ad B IV CP(A)/1373/2024/UOK dated 13/02/2024.

- 4) To cancel the previous bills submitted with firm name "M/s Om Prakash & Company, Ambala, Haryana" and to make stock entry in the new bills submitted with corrected name "M/s Om Parkash & Company, Ambala, Haryana.

Accordingly, U.O.No.4567/2024/UOK dated 31/05/2024, was issued, correcting the name of the firm as M/s Om Parkash & Co, Ambala, Haryana.

Also the stock entry of the items has been certified on the new bills by the Superintendent in charge, Kerala University Press, as detailed below:

Sl No	Bill No. & date	Description of item	Amount	Head of account
1	61 dated 23/07/2023	Bodkin – 30 nos (sl No- 8)	Rs 1650/-	Part 1-NP-MH-56-4-2240- Binding Materials Total amount : Rs 5850 /-
		Hammer – 30 nos (sl No. 9)	Rs 4200/-	
		Sponges-50 nos (sl No.24)	Rs 4750/-	Part 1-NP-MH-56-4-2260- Ink,Grease,Toner etc Total amount:Rs.32,430 /-
		Cellulose tape -20 tin (SI No.25)	Rs 27,680/-	
		Blanket outer (5 ply) – 5 nos (SI No. 29)	Rs 28,105/-	Part 1-NP-MH 56-4-3020- Maintenance of equipments Total amount: Rs 32,910/-
		Damping hose (210 mm)- 10 mtrs (SI No. 32)	Rs 2020/-	
		Damping hose (190 mm)-10 mts (SI No. 33)	Rs 1880/-	
		Damping hose (170 mm) – 5 mtrs (SI No.34)	Rs 905/-	
		Total	Rs 71,190/-	
2	62 dtd 28/07/23	1000 litres of fountain solution offset printing (SI No-17)	Rs 88,000/-	Part 1-NP-MH-56-4-2260- Ink, Grease, Toner etc
3	63 dtd 28/07/23	1000 litres of washing solution blanket & Roller (SI No.19)	Rs 2,12,000/-	
4	64 dtd 28/07/23	300 litres of plate cleaner offset printing (SI No.20)	Rs 69,000/-	
5	65 dtd 28/07/23	750 litres of developing solution P.S.Plate (SI No. 21)	Rs 1,28,250/-	
6	66 dtd 28/07/23	350 litres of Gum Arabic solution P.S.Plate (SI No. 22)	Rs 59,850/-	
7	67 dtd 28/07/23	3000 nos of Double demy offset printing plate (SI No. 26)	Rs 13,98,000/-	
		Total	20,26,290 /-	

Accordingly, the payment U.O.No. 5537/2024/UOK dated 06/07/2024 was issued for releasing the payment of M/s Om Parkash & Company, Ambala, Haryana.

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.

Item No.13.43

Annual Maintenance Contract of Scanning Electron Microscope (EVO 18 Lab6 SEM+EDAX EDS+Quorum Sputter Coater) - Payment of 1st & 2nd instalment - Reporting of - reg.

(AD BIV CP)

As per the Resolution of the special meeting of the Syndicate held on 17.01.2023 vide item No. 23.10.32 , U.O No.1464/2024/UOK dated 15.02.2024 was issued for entering into the Annual Maintenance Contract of Scanning Electron Microscope (EVO 18 Lab6 SEM+EDAX EDS+Quorum Sputter Coater) installed in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation & Facilitation, Kariavattom with M/s. Carl Zeiss India Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore for a period of three years w.e.f. 18.03.2023, at a total amount of ₹10,61,926.23/- inclusive of GST and to release the payment half yearly i.e. after completion of each six months, on submission of invoice with necessary certifications from the Director, Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation.

The Director, Central Laboratory for Instrumentation & Facilitation, Kariavattom has forwarded the invoices from M/s. Carl Zeiss India Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore, for releasing the payment of 1st & 2nd instalments of the Annual Maintenance Contract charges of the Scanning Electron Microscope for the period from 18/03/2023 to 17/09/2023 & 18/09/2023 to 17/03/2024 @1,74,013/- amounting to ₹3,48,026/- (Rupees Three lakh forty eight thousand and twenty six only) including GST and certified that the firm has rendered satisfactory maintenance service.

The Vice-Chancellor has accorded sanction to the Director, Central Laboratory for Instrumentation & Facilitation, Kariavattom, for releasing the payment of ₹3,48,026/- (Rupees Three lakh forty eight thousand and twenty six only) including GST to M/s. Carl Zeiss India Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore, being the Annual Maintenance Contract charges (1st & 2nd instalment) of Scanning Electron Microscope (EVO 18 Lab6 SEM+EDAX EDS+Quorum Sputter Coater) installed in the Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation, Kariavattom for the period from 18.03.2023 to 17.03.2024.

Accordingly, U.O No. 4411/Ad BIV/2024/UOK dated 28.05.2024 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.

Item No.13.44 University vehicle KL 01 CH 9743 (Force Traveller) - Repair and Maintenance- reporting of- reg.

(Ad.AIV)

The Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, has ordered to issue work order to the firm M/s Vanchinad Motors Pvt. Ltd., towards the Certificate of Fitness related repair and maintenance work of KL 01 CH 9743(Force Traveller) at an estimated cost of Rs.1,20,181/- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Thousand One Hundred and Eighty One only) and work order no: 21718/Admn AIV/2022/UOK dtd 09.04.2024 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having permitted to conduct the repair and maintenance work of the University vehicle KL 01 CH 9743 (Force Traveller) at an estimated cost of Rs.1,20,181/-, is therefore 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.13.45 Kerala University Computer Centre- Purchase of four numbers of 5 KVA online UPS with Batteries - Payment Sanctioned - Reporting of - reg.

(Ad.BIV)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, for the payment of an amount of **Rs.4,74,576/- (Rupees Four Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Five Hundred and Seventy Six only), including GST**, to M/s. Numax Energy Solutions, Ernakulam (H.O. - Hyderabad), towards the purchase of four numbers of 5 KVA online UPS with batteries supplied for use in the Kerala University Computer Centre, meeting the expenditure from the h/a "Part I-NP-MH:1(a) - General Direction-4/1930 - Equipment", of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University. U.O.No.5738/2024/UOK dated 11.07.2024 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.

Item No.13.46 **Advanced Centre for Tissue Engineering, Department of Biochemistry – Provisional Advance – Regularization - ‘Continuing Activities of the Centre –2022-23- 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.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs only), released to Dr. A. Helen, Director, Advanced Centre for Tissue Engineering-Department of Biochemistry, vide U.O. No. Pl.A1/412/2023/UOK dated 12.01.2023 and U.O. No. Pl.A1/8115/2023/UOK dated 27.09.2023, towards the project of ‘Continuing Activities of the Centre – for the year 2022-23’ from the State Plan Grant for the year 2022-23.

U. O. No. Pl.A1/5766/2024/UOK dated 11.07.2024 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the regularization of the provisional advance of Rs.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lakhs only), released to Dr. A. Helen, Director, Advanced Centre for Tissue Engineering-Department of Biochemistry, vide U.O. No. Pl.A1/412/2023/UOK dated 12.01.2023 and U.O. No. Pl.A1/8115/2023/UOK dated 27.09.2023, 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.

Item No.13.47 **Department of Biochemistry - Implementation of the Research project titled "Setting up of Neurobiology lab – Phase II"- 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.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh only), released to Dr. Viji Vijayan, Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry, vide U.O. No. Pl.A1/412/2023/UOK dated 12.01.2023, for the Research Project of ‘Setting up of Neurobiology lab – Phase II’, under State Plan Grant for the year 2022-23.

U.O. No. Pl.A1/5735/2024/UOK dated 10.07.2024. was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the regularization of the provisional advance of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh only), released to Dr. Viji Vijayan, Assistant Professor, Department of Biochemistry, vide U. O. No. Pl.A1/5735/2024/UOK dated 10.07.2024, 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.13.48 **Seed Money for New Research- Item no:148 of Budget Speech 2022-23- project sanctioned to Dr.Savitha Pillai S, Assistant Professor UGC-FRP Department of Physics -extended till 30.10.2024-reporting of-reg.**

(Pl.A)

An amount of ₹1,75,000/- (Rupees One lakh Seventy Five thousand only) was released as provisional advance to Dr.Savitha Pillai S, Assistant Professor UGC-FRP and Principal Investigator of the project, Department of Physics vide U.O no: 2447/2023/UOK dated 15.03.2023 for the implementation of the Startup project 'Development of Multiferoic Materials for Green Electronics' under the scheme 'Seed Money for New Research' of item no:148 of Budget Speech 2022-23.

The Principal Investigator vide letter dated 12.06.2024 has requested to grant extension for the utilisation of the seed money till 30.10.2024 so as to complete the purchase formalities by expending the remaining balance of ₹90,000/- (Rupees Ninety thousand only).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate to extend the tenure of the project 'Development of Multiferroic Materials for Green Electronics' till 30.10.2024.

Accordingly, U.O no: 5784/2024/UOK dated 12.07.2024 was issued for extending the tenure of the project till 30.10.2024.

The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in having sanctioned the extension of the tenure of the project 'Development of Multiferroic Materials for Green Electronics' till 30th October 2024 as per the request of the Principal Investigator, Dr. Savitha Pillai S 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.13.49

International Youth Hostel, PMG Junction - Purchase of various items (Mattresses, Pillows (Complementary), Coir Floor Mats and Coir floor mat small with rubber backing) from M/s. COIRFED, Thiruvananthapuram - Payment Sanctioned - Reporting of reg.

(Ad.BIV A)

The Syndicate at its Meeting held on 09.06.2023 vide Item No. 58.15 has considered the Minutes of the meeting to discuss the issues at International Youth Hostel, Palayam held on 11.05.2023 and resolved to approve the recommendation of the said meeting and further resolved to explore the possibility of purchasing Mattress (130Nos.) from Ms. COIRFED. Further, the Registrar has also ordered to procure the Coir floor mats (10Nos.) and Coir floor mats small with rubber backing (50Nos.) from M/s. COIRFED. Accordingly, Proforma Invoice was sought from M/s. COIRFED, Thiruvananthapuram for the purchase of various items (Mattresses, Coir Floor Mats and Coir floor mat small with rubber backing) for use in the International Youth Hostel as per the specification from the University Engineer.

On the strength of Proforma Invoice verification by the University Engineer and the remarks from the Finance, a meeting of Negotiation with M/s COIRFED, Thiruvananthapuram was held on 02.09.2023. The firm has forwarded the revised offer for the supply of various items (Mattresses, Pillows (complimentary), Coir Floor Mats and Coir floor mat small with rubber backing) for a total amount of **₹7,28,270/- (Rupees Seven lakh twenty eight thousand two hundred and seventy only) including GST**, for use in the International Youth Hostel. Considering the exigency, the Negotiation Committee further resolved to recommend to the Vice-Chancellor to sanction the purchase of various items from M/s. COIRFED, Thiruvananthapuram, at the negotiated rates and the Vice-Chancellor has approved the same.

Accordingly, Supply Order was placed with M/s.COIRFED, Thiruvananthapuram and the firm concerned has supplied the same.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to M/s.Kerala State Co-operative Coir Marketing Federation Ltd.,Thiruvananthapuram being paid an amount of **₹7,26,006/- (Rupees Seven lakh twenty six thousand and six only) including GST**, towards the purchase of various items (Mattresses, Pillows (complimentary), Coir Floor Mats and Coir floor mat small with rubber backing) for use in the International Youth Hostel, PMG Junction; meeting the expenditure from the 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 and by deducting GST TDS @2% while effecting the payment; on the basis of the concurrence of Finance vide Endorsement No. Endt.FOS.1177/Finance I/2024-25 dated 25.06.2024.

Accordingly, U.O.No.AdBIV-CP(A)/5831/2024/UOK dated 17.07.2024 was 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.

Item No.13.50 *INSPIRE fellowship- Payment of unclaimed eligible HRA for 1st and 2nd instalment of DST INSPIRE Fellowship, for the period from 2019-2020 to 2020-2021 in respect of Ms. Lakshmi R, Junior Research Fellow, Dept. of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala, Kariavattom-Reporting of-
reg.*

(Ac.EIII)

The Department of Science and Technology (DST), Govt. of India, had sanctioned an amount of Rs.4,51,520/- (Rupees Four Lakh Fifty One Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Only) each towards the 1st and 2nd instalment of INSPIRE fellowship to Ms. Lakshmi R, Junior Research Fellow, Dept. of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala, Kariavattom.

The Head, Department of Environmental Science had certified that Ms.Lakshmi R has not claimed the eligible HRA for the period 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 and requested to release the unclaimed HRA of Rs.1,19,040/- (Rupees One Lakh Nineteen Thousand Forty Only) kept as unspent balance at the KUF(B) account. The Audit & Accounts Kariavattom and Cash II Section have verified and reported that the HRA amount of 1st and 2nd instalment has not been disbursed to the scholar. Also the scholar declared that she has not claimed the same earlier and did not submit any request to refund the said amount to DST INSPIRE.

Accordingly, Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor for the payment and release of a total amount of Rs.1,19,040/- (Rupees One Lakh Nineteen Thousand and Forty only) kept as unspent balance at the KUF(B) account, towards the disbursement of unclaimed eligible HRA against the 1st and 2nd instalment of DST INSPIRE Fellowship for the period 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 in respect of Ms.Lakshmi R, Research Scholar, Department of Environmental Sciences, as per the norms of the sponsoring authority, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. The University order No.6798/2024/UOK dated 07.08.2024 in this regard 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.

Item No.13.51 *KSCSTE- Project titled “Additives aided composting for management of ETP Sludge from Latex Industry” by Dr. Leena Sundaram, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala as Project Scientist and Prof.(Dr.) Salom Gnana Thanga. V, Head, Department of Environmental Sciences as Mentor - Release of 2nd instalment of grant in aid - Sanctioned – Orders issued – Reporting of – reg.*

(Ad.FI)

The Kerala State Council for Science Technology and Environment (KSCSTE) sanctioned a research project titled "Additives aided composting for management of ETP Sludge from Latex Industry" by Dr. Leena Sundaram, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala as Project Scientist and Prof.(Dr.) Salom Gnana Thanga. V Head, Department of Environmental Sciences as Mentor having financial support for a period of one year with a total outlay of Rs.19,44,000/- (Rupees Nineteen lakh and forty-four thousand only) and has released an amount of Rs.10,72,000/- (Rupees Ten lakh seventy-two thousand only), being the 1st instalment of grant-in-aid for the project, for a period of six months.

Recently, the KSCSTE has informed the release of second phase of the program for a period of three months grant amount of Rs.4,33,500/- (Rupees Four lakh Thirty three thousand Five hundred only).

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

(a)	To release an amount of Rs.4,33,500/- (Rupees Fourlakh Thirty three thousand Five hundred only)received fromKSCSTE to Prof.(Dr.) Salom Gnana Thanga. V,Head, Department of Environmental SciencesandMentor of the projecttowards the 2 nd instalment of grant-in-aidfor the KSCSTEproject titled “Additives aided composting for management of ETP Sludge from Latex Industry”as per the norms of the sponsoring body.
(b)	To meet the expenditure from the head of account “Part III – MH 80 A – Grants from State Govt. - 9/7284 – Additives aided composting for management of ETP Sludge from Latex

	Industry” provided in the current year’s Budget Estimates of the University.
(c)	To transfer institutional Overhead charges if any, to the DDF as per University rules.

UO No. Ad.F1/4604/2022 dated 18/07/2024 was issued accordingly.

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.13.52

DST-SERB-CRG Project titled "Interesting Features of Active Brownian Dynamics" by Dr. Mamata Sahoo, UGC Assistant Professor (FRP), Department of Physics, University of Kerala as the Principal Investigator – Implementation of the Project and release of 1st instalment of grant-in-aid –Sanctioned - Orders Issued - Reporting of – reg.

(Ad.FI)

The Department of Science and Technology (DST) has sanctioned a research project titled "Interesting Features of Active Brownian Dynamics" by Dr. Mamata Sahoo, UGC Assistant Professor (FRP), Department of Physics, University of Kerala as the Principal Investigator under the SERB-Core Research Grant at a total outlay of Rs.29,39,723/- (Rupees Twenty nine lakh Thirty nine thousand Seven hundred and Twenty three only) with break-up of Rs.4,47,756/- under Capital (Non-recurring) head and Rs.24,91,967/- under General (Recurring) head for a duration of 36 months. An amount of Rs.12,85,100/- (Rupees Twelve lakh eighty five thousand one hundred only) was released to the University of Kerala as the first instalment of financial assistance which comprises of Rs.8,37,344/- under Grants-in-aid General and Rs.4,47,756/- under Grants for creation of capital assets.

Dr. Mamata Sahoo, Principal Investigator of the aforesaid project has requested to release the 1st instalment of grant-in-aid.

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

1. To implement the ANRF (Anusandhan National Research Foundation) funded SERB-CRG project titled "Interesting features of Active Brownian Dynamics" by Dr. Mamata Sahoo, UGC Assistant Professor, Department of Physics as the Principal Investigator, at a total cost of Rs.29,39,723/- (Rupees Twenty Nine Lakhs Thirty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty Three only) with break-up of Rs.4,47,756/- under Capital (Non-recurring) head and Rs.24,91,967/- under General (Recurring) head for a duration of 36 months, strictly adhering to the norms of the sponsoring body.
2. To permit Dr. Mamata Sahoo to open a new SB account at SBI, Kariavattom to operate upon the accounts of the project.
3. To open a new sub head “9/9854 - Interesting Features of Active Brownian Dynamics” under "Part III- MH 80 D-Grants from Other Agencies” and to provide an amount of Rs.12,85,100/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh Eighty Five Thousand and One Hundred only) under it by re-appropriation from the sub head "9/7751- Lumpsum Provision for new Research Schemes” of the same major head provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University and the expenditure related to the aforementioned project may be met from the new head of account proposed.
4. To release an amount of Rs.12,85,100/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh Eighty Five Thousand and One Hundred only) received from ANRF to Dr. Mamata Sahoo, UGC Assistant Professor, Department of Physics and Principal Investigator towards the first instalment of Grant-in-aid (Rs.8,37,344/- under 'Grants-in-aid General' and Rs.4,47,756/- under 'Grants for creation of Capital assets') for the above mentioned project, strictly adhering to the norms of the sponsoring body.
5. To transfer the institutional overhead charges, if any, at the prescribed rates to DDF as per University rules.

UO No. Ad F1 6019/2024/UOK dated 20/07/2024 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.

Item No.13.53 **Kariavattom Campus- Tiling of car porch floor along with rectification of walkway all around the building for ORI & MSS Library -Estimate-Sanctioned-Orders Issued- Reporting of-reg.**

(Pl.C)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to the estimate amounting to Rs.4,02,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh and Two Thousand only), including 18% GST, submitted by the University Engineer based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for Thiruvananthapuram for tiling the car porch floor along with rectification of walkway all around the building for ORI & MSS Library at Kariavattom Campus, by meeting the expenditure from the Head of the Account "Part-I-NP-MH-65-Works-10/5302-Infrastructure support " of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University. U.O No. 6535/2024/UOK dated. 31.07.2024 has been issued to this effect.

As per the 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.

Item No.13.54 **University Office- Water Charges for the period from December 2023 to April 2024 – Payment to Kerala Water Authority- Reporting of – reg.**

(Ad.BII)

The Assistant Engineer, Kerala Water Authority had requested payment of water charges of the University, in connection with the four consumer numbers namely CGB/69/N, CGB/75/N, CGB/119/N and CGB/154/N for the period from December 2023 to April 2024.

The Assistant Engineer (H Q Unit) has verified the bills and certified that the water meter readings pertaining to four consumer numbers are in accordance with the average consumption and hence admitted for payment.

The Finance I section vide endorsement no.FOS.1181/Finance I/dtd 21.06.2024, had endorsed to sanction and release an amount of Rs.7,53,805/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Five only)to Kerala Water Authority towards the water charges for the period from December 2023 to April 2024 in connection with the consumer numbers CGB/69/N, CGB/75/N, CGB/119/N and CGB/154/N as detailed below:

Consumer Number	One Time Settlement Amount(Rs)
CGB/69/N	1,93,871/-
CGB/75/N	78,769/-
CGB/119/N	50,367/-
CGB/154/N	4,30,798/-
Total	Rs.7,53,805/-(Rupees SevenLakh Fifty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Five only)

The Finance also recommended to meet the expenditure in this regard from the "Part – I Non-Plan-MH-I(a) - General Direction-4/1315- Water Charges" of the current years Budget Estimates of the University .

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, for the aforesaid payment proposal and accordingly U.O.No. Ad.BII/3/1047 /2024, dated: 22.06.2024 was issued in this regard. Accordingly payment was effected to KWA on 25.06.2024.

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.13.55 ***SweepingandcleaningofbuildingsandpremisesofSenateHouseCampus–
Payment of charges to the Contractor, M/s.Thiruvananthapuram District
Casual WorkersWelfare Co-operative Society Ltd. No: T.2245 for the
month of March 2024 - Reporting of –reg.***

(Ad.B1)

The contract work for sweeping and cleaning of 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 for a period of 11 monthswith effectfrom01.09.2023 @ Rs.4,11,230/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty only) inclusive of 18%GST per month,vide U.ONo.270/2024/UOK dated08.01.2024.

The firm had submitted full wage payment certificates for the month of March 2024, vide Invoice No: SWEC/A2012/2023-24 dated 07.04.2024 and requested payment. The payment was endorsed by the Finance, vide Endt.FOS786/FinanceI/2024-25dated31.05.2024.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice - Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to M/s.Thiruvananthapuram DistrictCasualWorkersWelfareCo-operative Society Ltd.No:T.2245, being paid an amount of Rs.4,11,230/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty only) towards the said work for the month of March 2024.

U.O.No.4713/2024/UOK dated 08.06.2024 was issued in this regard.

As per 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.13.56 ***UGC-Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre(Formerly Known as
HRDC)- Transfer of Rs.10,00,000/-(Rupees Ten Lakhs Only) from DDF
account of the HRDC to PD account of the Director(i/c), UGC- Malaviya
Mission Teacher Training Centre as second installment- Sanctioned-
Reporting of - reg.***

(Ad.AII)

The Director (i/c), UGC-HRDC, in the note dated 19.07.2023 addressing the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has stated that, the UGC Grant for the financial years 2021-22, 2022-23 and advance amount for the financial year 2023-24 has not been released so far. It may also be noted that, the bills have been verified and passed for payment by the UGC Office and the grant will be released as soon as the allocated amount is transferred by MHRD to UGC. A huge delay in transferring the amount is also reported by the Director [i/c]. The Director (i/c) has stated that, the UGC has approved the schedule to conduct the programmes for the financial year 2023-24, during the months of July, August & September 2023.

Hence, the Director(i/c), UGC-HRDC has requested to grant permission to transfer an amount of Rs.35,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh only) from DDF Account of UGC-HRDC to the PD Account of the Director, UGC-HRDC, with permission to use the amount for conducting the programmes and for releasing the salary of contract employees. It is stated that, the amount thus transferred will be reimbursed as soon as the advance grant for 2023-24 is released by the UGC.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the above request of the Director(i/c), UGC-HRDC is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate for consideration and appropriate recommendation. The committee considered the matter and recommended to grant permission for the following

- to transfer an amount of Rs.15,00,000/-(Rupees Fifteen lakh only) from DDF Account of UGC-HRDC to the PD Account of the Director, UGC-HRDC as first installment
- to transfer an amount of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten lakh only), if required, on the basis of the request received from the Director(i/c), UGC-HRDC.

The committee further recommended to entrust the Director (i/c), UGC-HRDC to approach UGC in-person for releasing the fund sanctioned to UGC-HRDC, Kariavattom.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 14.08.2023 vide Item No.02.110.04 has resolved to approve the above recommendation. The Finance has endorsed the decision of the Syndicate and also that the amount transferred shall be recouped to the DDF account as and when the grant is received from the UGC. The Hon'be Vice-Chancellor has approved the Finance Endorsement, subject to reporting to the Syndicate and transferred an amount of Rs.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen lakh only) from DDF Account of UGC-HRDC to the PD Account of the Director, UGC-HRDC as first installment vide U.O.No.Ad.AII/7805/2023/UOK dated:16.09.2023.

Later, The Director(i/c), vide letter dated 14.12.2023, has informed that, the UGC has released an amount of Rs.40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakh only) as grant-in-aid towards HRDC for conducting courses for the Financial Year 2023-24 and also that, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 28.11.2023 resolved to release an amount of Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh only) from the above grant-in-aid given by the UGC. The Director(i/c) has stated that, the amount has not been released to the UGC-HRDC, sofar.

The Director(i/c) further states that the amount of Rs.15 Lakh transferred from the DDF A/c of the UGC-HRDC to the PD Account of the UGC HRDC has already been expended and the amount of Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh only) sanctioned from the grant-in-aid of the UGC has not been released by the University. Hence, the Director(i/c) has requested to grant permission to transfer Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten lakh only) from the DDF for conducting the rest of the courses scheduled during the current financial year.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 15.02.2024, vide Item No.08.07, considered the above request of the Director (i/c), UGC-HRDC and resolved to refer the item to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance. The Committee considered the matter and recommended to permit the Director(i/c), UGC HRDC to transfer an amount of Rs. 10,00, 000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh only) from the DDF Account of UGC-HRDC to the PD Account of the Director, UGC-HRDC, as second installment, on the basis of his request. The meeting of the Syndicate held on 15.03.2024 resolved to approve the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance as above. The Finance has endorsed the decision of the Syndicate and also that the amount transferred shall be recouped to the DDF account as and when the grant is received from the UGC.

The Hon'be Vice-Chancellor has approved the Finance Endorsement, subject to reporting to the Syndicate and transferred an amount of Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten lakh only) from DDF Account of UGC-HRDC to the PD Account of the Director, UGC-HRDC as second installment vide U.O.No.Ad.AII/5763/2024/UOK dated 11.07.2024.

As per the orders of 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.

Item No.13.57

Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) –Nomination of Dr.Purushothaman V.M, Assistant Professor, Govt.Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram as the member –Reporting of-reg.

(Ac.D)

Dr.Purushothaman V.M, Assistant Professor, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram vide email dated 03.07.2024 has requested to include him as a member of Board of Studies in Business Management and also as a member of the Academic council of the University.

It is informed that he has 18 years of post graduate teaching experience and has Ph.D in Commerce and also UGC NET in Management and Commerce.He has published more than 15 publications in various national, international and seminars and workshops.He is interested in engaging in constructive dialogue and collaborating with fellow members to uphold the highest standards of academic quality and innovations.

The Board of Studies in Business Management (UG and PG) was reconstituted vide notification dated 20.01.2023 for a period of 3 years w.e.f 17.01.2023. The total number of faculty members in the current Board of Studies in Business Management (UG and PG boards) are 11 and 9 respectively, including the ex-officio member.As per the statute 4(b) (ii) in chapter 11 of Kerala University first statute 1977, Each Board shall consist of not less than five and not more than eleven other members.

The Vice-Chancellor in exercise of the powers vested under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974, (Act 17 of 1974) has nominated Dr.Purushothaman V.M, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram as member to the Board of Studies in Business Management (UG).Notification No.Ac.D/2/147/2024 dated 27/07/2024 was issued in this regard.

Dr.Purushothaman V.M will hold office as member, Board of Studies in Business Management (UG), with effect from 12.07.2024 till the expiry of the term of Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) reconstituted with effect from 17.01.2023 (ie. Upto 16.01.2026) subject to the provisions contained in the Kerala University Act 1974 and Statutes framed there under.

The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in nominating Dr.Purushothaman V.M, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram as member to the Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) 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.13.58

Award for the Research Projects undertaken by the Teachers of the Departments of University of Kerala for the financial year 2022-2023- Payment -Sanctioned-Reporting of – reg.

(Ad.MISC)

The Award for the Research Projects undertaken by the Teachers of the departments of University of Kerala for the financial year 2022-23 was sanctioned vide U.O No.Ad.FI/1617/2024/UOK dated 20.02.2024 based on the resolution of the Syndicate held on 28/12/2023 vide item no.07.07 as detailed below:

1. The Award of Rs.25,000/-(Rupees Twenty five thousand only), memento and Certificate for the project titled "Fabrication and Characterization of "Perovskite solar cells" funded by KSCSTE, Government of Kerala for which 'Best Research Project Award' is sanctioned for the financial year 2022-2023 under the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology to be given to Dr.R. Jayakrishnan, Associate Professor, Department of Physics.
2. The Award of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty five thousand only), memento and Certificate for the projects titled "Impact Evaluation Study of two Integrated Tribal Projects" and "Concurrent Evaluation of NFSA in the states of Kerala,Karnataka, Tamilnadu and Lakshadweep" funded by NABARD and Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Government of India respectively , for which 'Best Research Project Award' is sanctioned for the financial year 2022-2023 under the category of all faculties other than the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology to Dr.Manju S. Nair, Professor, Department of Economics.
3. The Award of Rs.25,000/-(Rupees Twenty five thousand only), memento and Certificate for the project titled "ECOMARINE: Building a Comprehensive Mechanism for Preserving Marine Ecosystems and Life from the negative consequences of Climate change and the disposal of Plastic Debris" under the ERASMUS+ programme for which the 'Highest Research Grant Award' is sanctioned for the financial year 2022-2023 under the category of Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Science to Prof.(Dr.) A. Bijukumar, Head, Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries Sciences and Technology.
4. The Award of Rs. 25,000/-(Rupees Twenty five thousand only), memento and Certificate for the project titled "Concurrent Evaluation of NFSA in the state of Kerala,Karnataka, Tamilnaduand Lakshadweep", "Impact Evaluation of Integrated Tribal Development Projects" and "Social Audit of Public Distribution System in Kerala" funded by NABARD, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Government of India and Government of Kerala respectively for which the 'Highest Research Grant Award' is sanctioned for the financial year 2022-2023 under the category of Faculty of Social Science to Dr.Manju S. Nair, Professor, Department of Economics.

5. The Award of Rs.50,000/-(Rupees Fifty thousand only), memento and Certificate for the project titled "ECOMARINE: Building a Comprehensive Mechanism for Preserving Marine Ecosystems and Life from the negative consequences of Climate change and the disposal of Plastic Debris" under the ERASMUS+ programme of the European Union for which the 'Best Research Department Award' is sanctioned for the financial year 2022-2023 under the category of Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology to the Department of Aquatic Biology and Fisheries.
6. Letter of Appreciation and Memento to be given to Dr. Subodh G, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics and Dr. Anil Chandran S., Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Demography in recognition of bringing Projects with grant-in-aid of more than Rs.10,00,000/-(Rupees Ten lakh only).

The Finance vide endorsement No. Endt.FOS.4646/Finance I/2023-24 dated 04/03/2024 has endorsed the decision of the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023, vide item No.07.07, subject to administrative sanction and also remarked that an amount of Rs.75,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five Thousand only) may be additionally provided under the h/a "Part I -NP -MH:63 -Miscellaneous – 8/5951-Award for Research Projects" by re-appropriation from the h/a "Part I- NP- MH 63-Miscellaneous - 8/5948-Miscellaneous" of the current years Budget Estimates of the University.

Based on the concurrence of Finance section, sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor to grant the following payments, subject to reporting to Syndicate.

- (a) Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty five thousand only) to Dr.R. Jayakrishnan, Associate Professor, Department of Physics towards the 'Best Research Project Award' 2022-2023 under the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.
- (b) Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty five thousand only) to Dr. Manju S. Nair, Professor, Department of Economics towards the 'Best Research Project Award' 2022-2023 under the category of all faculties other than the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology .
- (c) Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty five thousand only) to Prof.(Dr.) A. Bijukumar, Head, Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries Sciences and Technology towards the 'Highest Research Grant Award' 2022-23 under the category of Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Science and Technology.
- (d) Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty five thousand only) to Dr. Manju S. Nair, Professor, Department of Economics towards the 'Highest Research Grant Award' 2022-23 under the category of Faculty of Social Science .
- (e) Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) to the Department of Aquatic Biology and Fisheries towards the 'Best Research Department Award 2022-23 under the category of Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology and with Best Research Department award' for the financial year 2022-2023 under the category of Faculty of Science and Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology was sanctioned to the Department of 'Aquatic Biology and Fisheries issued to HOD, Department of 'Aquatic Biology and Fisheries'.

Accordingly U.O No. Ad.Misc/2536/2024/UOK dated 18.03.2024 was issued in this regard.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, 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.

Item No.13.59

College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor - Closure of the College - reporting of-Reg.

(Ac.BII)

The Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, had submitted a representation (dated Nil) on 10.06.2023 before the Vice Chancellor, for taking necessary steps towards issuing the final closure letter and Fixed Deposit Receipt in respect of the college. The Syndicate held on 27.06.2023, vide item No. 59.151.27 considered the matter and resolved to request the Higher Education Department to forward the report submitted by the Vigilance Director based on which the Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department had directed the Registrar, University of Kerala, to

take necessary measures as per law, to cancel the affiliation granted to College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor.

Consequently, the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, filed a petition, WP (C) 27610 of 2023, in the High Court of Kerala, and the counsel of the petitioner limited his prayer for disposal of the representation submitted before the Vice Chancellor regarding release of the Fixed Deposit Receipt and final closure letter by the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor.

The Writ Petition was disposed on 24.08.2023 directing the 1st respondent, the Vice Chancellor, to take up the representation and pass appropriate orders within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of the copy of judgment.

The copy of the judgment was received from the office of the Standing Counsel on 04.09.2023.

On receipt of the judgment, the Higher Education Department was again sent a reminder to forward the vigilance report which was still pending receipt. The matter was again placed in the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, and it was resolved vide item no. 04.109, to comply the Judgment dated 24.08.2023 of the Hon'ble High Court in WP (C) 27610 of 2023 and to release the FD receipt in respect of the college if there are no dues or liabilities pending against the college, based on the report from the Finance Officer. Further, it was resolved to seek an urgent report from the Finance Officer regarding the pending dues or liabilities against the college and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.

On the basis of the Syndicate decision, a report was sought from the Finance Officer and the decision of the Syndicate intimated to the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor. The Finance Officer reported no dues in respect of the college and the remarks of Finance Officer was reported in the Standing Committee of the Syndicate. The Syndicate held on 28.12.2023, vide item No.07.81.04 resolved to file time enlargement petition for complying the judgment of High Court in WP (C) 27610 of 2023, and further resolved to seek legal opinion of the Standing Counsel. However, the Syndicate had not specified the time period for which enlargement was to be sought. Therefore the file was put up for orders seeking the specific time required in order to file the time enlargement petition, on which the Vice Chancellor ordered to arrange payment within one month and to get extension of time. Accordingly, the file was returned to Legal section for necessary action.

Meanwhile, the legal section forwarded the petition regarding Contempt of Court (Civil) No.669/2024 filed by Sri. Jyothikumar Chamakkala, Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, and it was also informed that as the Contempt petition had already been moved, the scope for moving a time enlargement petition is limited, though all actions taken pursuant to the judgment were intimated to the Hon'ble High Court.

The file was once again put up informing the current status of the case and the matter of non receipt of the report of the Vigilance Director on which the Vice Chancellor ordered to comply with the order issued earlier. Thereby the FD receipt furnished as financial guarantee in respect of College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor was released to the FD drawee bank, under intimation to the Manager of Chamakkala Trust & the Manager of College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, for removing the lien on the FD and for return to the depositor. Subsequently a closure certificate, U.O.No.Ac.BII/03/40556/2024 dated 06.06.2024 was also issued as requested by the Manager, College of Teacher Education and the same forwarded to the college in compliance of WP (C) 27610 of 2023.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter of release of the FD furnished as financial guarantee in respect of College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, and the issuance of closure U.O. is reported to the Syndicate.

1. The College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor was provisionally affiliated to the University of Kerala (U.O.No. Ac.B 4/1340/2004 dated 14.10.2005)since the year 2005-06 and has been offering the following B.Ed degree Courses
 - Physical Science
 - Mathematics
 - Social Science
 - Malayalam
 - English

with an annual intake of 100 students on self financing basis. Further, the annual intake was reduced to 50 in Government/Aided as well as Self Financing B.Ed Colleges on the basis of the decision taken to limit the intake to one unit of 50 seats, in connection with the Revised Norms and Regulations of NCTE, 2014.

Please see orders of the Registrar on pre-page and the orders of the Vice Chancellor dated 06.03.2024 in the file seeking orders to specify time period for filing time enlargement petition in WP(C) No.27610 of 2023 filed by the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor. Copy of the note pages is attached in the current file.

The Vice Chancellor after discussion with the Registrar has ordered to “**Arrange payment within one month and get extension of time**”. Accordingly the matter was intimated to the Legal Section.

Meanwhile the Legal Section has forwarded the petition regarding Contempt of Court (Civil) No.669/2024 filed by Sri.Jyothikumar, Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor alleging inaction and non compliance of the judgment dated 24.08.2023 in WP(C) No.27610 of 2023.

As the Contempt petition has already been filed the scope for moving a petition for enlargement of time is limited. However all the actions taken pursuant to the judgment have been intimated to the Hon’ble High Court vide Counter Affidavit in the name of respondent. The case matter came up for hearing on 20.03.2024 and was adjourned to 27.03.2024.

Following general facts may be brought to the notice in this context,

2. The College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor was provisionally affiliated to the University of Kerala (U.O.No. Ac.B 4/1340/2004 dated 14.10.2005)since the year 2005-06 and has been offering the following B.Ed degree Courses

Physical Science
Mathematics
Social Science
Malayalam
English

with an annual intake of 100 students on self financing basis. Further, the annual intake was reduced to 50 in Government/Aided as well as Self Financing B.Ed Colleges on the basis of the decision taken to limit the intake to one unit of 50 seats, in connection with the Revised Norms and Regulations of NCTE, 2014.

3. Consequent to the allegations of gross illegalities and irregularities in the affiliation of College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, the Syndicate held on 26.08.2016, item no 20.09, resolved to withdraw the affiliation granted to the college and also report the matter to the Hon’ble Chancellor and the Government for a comprehensive enquiry by a competent authority. Further it was resolved to permit the students admitted to the college to continue their studies in any affiliated teacher education college of their choice. However, further proceedings in the matter was stayed by the Hon’ble High Court vide interim order dated 26.10.2015 on WP (C) No. 15304 of 2015, stating that **any final order passed shall not be given effect except after obtaining orders from the Hon’ble High Court.** However, the Hon’ble High Court in its judgment dated 29.03.2021, in the case, dismissed the writ petition for non prosecution.
4. The Minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 24.03.2018, item no 33.110.21 resolved to issue urgent notice to the management regarding the non-enrollment of candidates in College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor. Accordingly notice no. Ac.B II/02/2017 dated. 18.05.2018 was issued directing the Educational Agency to submit an explanation within 7 days of receipt of the notice, as to why the matter regarding non enrollment of candidates in College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, was not reported to the University. No reply has been received in this regard till date.
5. The Manager vide letter dated 17.09.2018 requested to issue NOC and letter stating completion of Programme by students of the current batch (2015-17 batch) inorder to submit the application for closure of college, to NCTE.
6. The Syndicate held on 16.11.2018, item no 07.30.04, considered the request from the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, for closure of the college in the light of the fact that the college had not enrolled any students during the academic periods of 2016 -

18, 2017-'19 and 2018 – '20, for want of students and resolved to issue NOC to the college for closure of the college from the academic year 2018 – '19, subject to remittance of closure fee and on condition that the University will issue formal orders on the above matter only after producing NOC from NCTE and the State Government.

7. On the basis of the remarks from Tabulation Section the college was issued a letter on request (for the purpose of obtaining NOC from NCTE), stating that the last batch of students admitted to B.Ed in the College was during the academic year 2015-17 and that they completed their course in April 2017.
8. The State Government vide G.O (Rt.) No.1267/2019/HEDN dated 22.07.2019, issued NOC for closure of the college and its courses from the academic year 2018-19 onwards.
9. The Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, vide letter dated 17.09.2019, forwarded the chalan receipt (Remittance No. 19595802, dated 17.09.2019) for an amount of Rs.2,10,000/- (Rpees Two Lakh ten thousand only) towards closure fee. The college was issued NOC dated 30.09.2019, by the University, for closure of the college.
10. Vide *F. SRO/NCTE/APSO0571/B.Ed. {KL}/383/2020 114388 dated 22.01.2020*, NCTE issued orders for withdrawal of recognition granted to the college for conducting B.Ed programme of two years duration from the following academic session, i.e. 2020 – '21 academic year onwards.
11. However, the college had dues in the remittance of Annual Administration Fee from the academic year 2010-'11 onwards and the college was therefore intimated that the University will be enabled towards proceeding in the direction of closure of the college only after the remittance of the pending Annual Administration Fee and that the college shall have to intimate the University about the authority who shall be authorized to maintain the academic records of the students who had taken admission in the college and pursued their B.Ed. course in the college.

Facts regarding the events that led to WP(C) No.27610 of 2023 by the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor.

12. The Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, in reply to the letter demanding the remittance of pending Annual Administration Fee of Rs.8,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs only), vide letter dated 19.09.2022 has forwarded the receipt of remittance of the fee. The Revenue Audit Section and the Camp Audit Section (EE II) has furnished that there are no dues in the respective fees with regard to College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor.
13. The Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, vide letter dated 19.09.2022 forwarded the University chalan receipt (Remittance No. 22144350, dated 19.07.2022) for an amount of Rs.8,00,000/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs only) towards the balance amount of Annual Administration fee and requested that steps be taken to issue the closure certificate along with the FD receipt which was submitted to the University as financial guarantee.
14. Around the same time, the Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department, vide letter dated 11.09.2022, intimated that the Vigilance and Anti – Corruption Bureau, Special Investigation Unit I completed enquiry against the college and submitted report to the Government. The illegalities in obtaining affiliation by the college were pointed out in the report and thereby there was direction from the Government to cancel the affiliation of the college as per law.
15. The request from the Manager, College of Teacher Education, dated 19.09.2022, and the letter dated 11.09.2022 from the Government were placed before the Syndicate and the Syndicate held on 7.11.2022 referred it to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.
16. The Standing Committee meeting held on 28.03.2023 recommended to seek the learned opinion of the Legal Advisor. The Syndicate held on 30.03.2023 resolved to approve the same.
17. Meanwhile, on 10.06.2023, the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, submitted a representation (dated Nil) to the Vice Chancellor. (It was marked as Ext P6 in the Writ Petition filed later).

18. The learned opinion from the Legal Advisor was received on 26.06.2023, it was opined that, *“As per section 68 of the University Act, 1974 the University is not prevented from taking appropriate actions against the persons concerned for wilful violations of any provisions of the Act and Statutes. Though there is no legal impediment in considering the request of the Manager, I am of the opinion that, before taking a final decision in the said matter, it is advisable to obtain the copy of the report submitted by the Vigilance department to the Higher Education Department.”*
19. The Syndicate held on 27.06.2023 accepted the learned opinion rendered by the Legal Advisor and resolved to request the Higher Education Department to forward the report submitted by the Vigilance department to the Higher Education Department. Accordingly, letter dated 21.07.2023 was forwarded to the Principal Secretary and the status of the request made was intimated to the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor vide letter dated 09.08.2023.
1. In the meantime, the Manager, College of Teacher Education, Arkkannoor, filed the WP (C) No.27610 of 2023 on 24.08.2023. The Writ Petition was disposed on the date of admission itself, without filing any statement from the University as the petitioner limited his prayers for disposal of Ext.P6 by the Vice Chancellor within a reasonable time.
 2. Accordingly the Writ Petition was disposed of, directing the Vice Chancellor to take up Ext.P6 and pass appropriate orders within a period of six weeks from the date of receipt of copy of the judgment.
 3. On receipt of the judgment, the Higher Education Department was again sent a reminder letter dated 11.09.2023 to forward the vigilance report and same was received at Higher Education Department on 16.09.2023. However, this office has not received the same.
 4. The matter of running out of time prescribed by the High Court was informed vide a note dated 20.09.2023, and the Vice Chancellor ordered to place the matter before the Syndicate.
 5. Accordingly, the matter was placed before the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023, vide item No.04.109 and it was resolved to comply with the judgment of High Court and to release the FDR, if there were no liabilities pending against the college, based on the report of the Finance Officer.
 6. Further it was resolved to seek an urgent report from the Finance Officer regarding the pending dues or liabilities against the college and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate.
 7. The above resolution of the Syndicate, taken upon the Ext.P6 was intimated to the petitioner vide letter dated 12.10.2023 in compliance with the directions of the Hon’ble High Court.
 8. And, the Finance Officer remarked that there are no special fee dues in respect of the college from 2005-‘06 to 2016-‘17.
 9. As per the directions of the Vice Chancellor, the remarks of the Finance Officer was directly placed in the Syndicate held on 28.11.2023, item No.06.66, but the Syndicate resolved to refer back the item to the Standing Committee.
 10. The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 26.12.2023 considered the remarks of the Finance Officer and recommended *to request the Principal Secretary to the Government, Higher Education Department to forward the report submitted by the Vigilance and Anticorruption Bureau in respect of College of Teacher Education Arkkannoor. Further recommended to take final decision on the matter of return of Fixed Deposit Receipt furnished as financial guarantee, only after considering the above mentioned report submitted by the Vigilance and Anticorruption Bureau.*
 11. The Syndicate held on 28.12.2023, vide item No.07.81.04., considered the recommendation and resolved to file time enlargement petition for complying the Judgment of the High Court in WP(C) No.27610 of 2023. Further resolved to seek legal opinion of the Standing Counsel on the matter and place the same before the Syndicate.
 12. Howeverth required time was not specified by the Syndicate. Accordingly file was submitted again for orders, and the Vice Chancellor after discussion with the Registrar has ordered to *“Arrange payment within one month and get extension of time”*. Mean while Contempt of Court Petition was filed.

13. Since the report submitted by the Vigilance Director has not yet been received, a second reminder letter dated 13.03.2024, was forwarded to the Higher Education department in the light of the Contempt of Court Case and direction of the Vice Chancellor.

14. The Contempt petition came before the Hon'ble High Court on 12.03.2024 & 20.03.2024 and stands posted on 27.03.2024. No direction has been issued by the Hon'ble Court so far.

Now the Vice Chancellor has ordered to arrange payment within a period of one month and get enlargement of time. Now scope for enlargement of time is limited and regarding arranging payment, it may be noted that,

- The Syndicate held on 28.12.2023 vide item no. 07.81.04, considering the recommendation of the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges (detailed in point number 28) and resolved to file time enlargement petition for complying the Judgment of the High Court in WP(C) No. 27610 of 2023, and further resolved to seek legal opinion of the Standing Counsel on the matter and place the same before the next Syndicate. The said decision is also in vogue.
- The Fixed Deposit Receipt submitted by the Educational Agencies after marking lien in the name of Registrar is in lieu of the Financial Guarantee.
- On closure of the college, the FD Receipt submitted as Financial Guarantee will be returned only after clearing all dues.
- In this case, the action regarding the letter dated 11.09.2022 from the Principal Secretary to the Higher Education, intimating the Vigilance Report showing irregularities in obtaining affiliation is pending.
- The learned Legal Adviser opined that, “As per section 68 of the University Act, 1974 the University is not prevented from taking appropriate actions against the persons concerned for wilful violations of any provisions of the Act and Statutes.”
- The Syndicate held on 27.06.2023 vide item No. 59.151.27, considered the legal opinion and accepted it. And resolved accordingly to request the Higher Education Department to forward the report submitted by the Vigilance Department to Higher Education Department. And even after repeated reminders, the report is yet to be received.
- Accordingly the action upon the letter dated 11.09.2022 is delayed for want of Vigilance report from the Higher Education Department.
- If the FD Receipt is returned before finalizing an action against the Educational Agency and the University is imposing a fine to the Educational Agency as per section 68 of the University Act, 1974, then it will be difficult to enforce the same.
- In such case, the fine imposed will remain as an arrear and might attract audit objections later.
- Now there is no direction from the Hon'ble High Court to return the FD Receipts. But only to pass appropriate orders in the representation from the petitioner marked as Ext .P6 in the Writ Petition. Actions taken upon it has already been intimated to the office of the Standing Counsel and Counter Affidavit has already been filed. Also there are no orders in the Contempt of Court petition so far.

However as per the existing procedure, the original FD Receipt is returned to the Bank under intimation to the Educational Agency and with a direction to the Bank to release the lien and return FD Receipt to the Depositor.

In obedience with the orders the Vice Chancellor, the file may be submitted before the Registrar to bring the above detailed situation to the kind notice of and for appropriate orders regarding the release of the lien marked by the University and return the FD Receipt to the depositor through the Bank before finalizing action against the Educational Agency.

Resolution of the Syndicate

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

Item No.13.60

Chief Minister's Face to Face programme- Financial Assistance sanctioned to the Director of Student Services- Reporting of- reg.

(CDC)

The Chief Minister's Face to Face programme with students was held on 18.02.2024 at Malabar Christian College, Calicut. The eminent students/Research Scholars from University Departments/ Centres were participated in the above programme.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 15.02.2024 vide Item No.08.117 has resolved to sanction an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) to the Director, Department of Student Services, University of Kerala and Co-Ordinator of the programme for meeting the expenses associated with the programme.

The Director, Department of Student Services has submitted the vouchers towards the expenditure incurred in connection with the programme. The Audit VI section has verified the admissibility of the vouchers submitted and found correct. The Finance I section endorsed the payment for an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) to the Director, Department of Student Services, University of Kerala in connection with the Chief Minister's Face to Face programme.

On the basis of Finance Endorsement, sanction has been accorded by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to the release of an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) to the Director, Department of Student Services towards the expenditure incurred in connection with the Chief Minister's Face to Face programme Subject to Reporting to the Syndicate. Accordingly, University Order No.9371/CDC/2024/UOK dated 09.05.2024 was issued.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the matter of sanctioning an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) as final payment to the Director of Student Services, University of Kerala in connection with the conduct of Hon'ble Chief Minister's Face to Face programme with the students 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.13.61 University Office- Water Charges for the months of May 2024 & June 2024 - Payment to Kerala Water Authority - Reporting of – reg.

(Ad.BII)

The Kerala Water Authority had furnished the water bills pertaining to the four consumer numbers of the University namely CGB/69/N, CGB/75/N, CGB/119/N and CGB/154/N, for the months May 2024 & June 2024.

The Assistant Engineer (HQ Unit) has verified the bills and certified that the water meter readings pertaining to the four consumer numbers are in accordance with the average consumption and hence admitted for payment.

The Finance I section vide endorsement no.FOS.1302/Finance I/2024-'25/ dated 02.07.2024, had endorsed to release an amount of Rs.3,66,793/- (Rupees Three Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Three only) to Kerala Water Authority towards the water charges for the months of May 2024 & June 2024 in connection with the consumer numbers CGB/69/N, CGB/75/N, CGB/119/N and CGB/154/N as detailed below:

Consumer Number	Amount (Rs)
CGB/69/N	75,671/-
CGB/75/N	29,091/-
CGB/119/N	20,895/-
CGB/154/N	2,41,136/-
Total	Rs.3,66,793/- (Rupees Three Lakh Sixty Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Three only)

The Finance also recommended to meet the expenditure in this regard from the "Part – I Non-Plan-MH-I(a) - General Direction-4/1315- Water Charges" of the current years Budget Estimates of the University .

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, for the aforesaid payment proposal and U.O.No. Ad.B II/5572/2024/UOK dated: 06.07.2024 was issued in this regard. Accordingly, payment was effected to Kerala Water Authority on 11.07.2024.

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.13.62 S.H Campus - Electricity Charges for the month of June 2024 - Payment - Reporting of – reg.

(Ad.BII)

The KSEB had forwarded a demand notice dated 05.07.2024 for July 2024 towards the electricity charges in respect of the Kerala University S.H Campus. LCN:4/7009 (Consumption month - June 2024).

The Finance I section had endorsed the payment of Rs.5,61,158/- (Rupees Five Lakh Sixty One Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Eight only) towards the Electricity Charges, meeting the expenditure from the Permanent advance of Deputy Registrar Admn (II).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to the payment of Rs.5,61,158/- (Rupees Five Lakh Sixty One Thousand One Hundred and Fifty Eight only) towards the Electricity Charges of S H Campus for the month of June 2024.

U.O.No.Ad.B.II/5773/2024/UOK dated 12.07.2024 was issued in this regard and payment was done to M/s KSEB, accordingly.

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.13.63 Amendment to Chapter 4A of the Kerala University (Conditions of Service of Teachers and Members of Non-Teaching Staff) First Statutes, 1979 - introduction of Rotation of Headship in the departments of various aided colleges – clarification – reg.

(Ac.FII)

Chapter 4A of the Kerala University (Conditions of Service of Teachers and Members of Non-Teaching Staff) First Statutes, 1979 has been amended to introduce new Statute (Statute 72B); Rotation of Headship in the Departments of Aided Colleges.

The above amendment was assented by the Chancellor on 14.10.2023 vide NotificationNo. Ac.L/S/2916/2022 dated 20/11/2023 and the same was published in the Kerala Gazette dated 28.11.2023 Amendment no. 251 to the Kerala University First Statutes 1979.

It has been noticed that, the Department heads who were appointed prior to 14.10.2023 are still holding their positions in some institutions. Also, Principals of many institutions have sought clarifications on the date of effect of the new amendment as well as continuance of Heads of Departments who were appointed prior to 14.10.2023 into the next Academic Year.

Legal Opinion dated 31.05.2024 from the Legal Advisor may also be seen in this case, which provide a detailed clarification on this matter.

The following clarifications were prepared on the strength of the remarks from the Legal Advisor.

- As per section 35(6) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, an amendment will take into effect from the date of giving assent to the same by the Chancellor. In this case, the Chancellor gave his assent to the amendment on 14.10.2023. Therefore, the amendment introducing Rotation of Headship is deemed to have come into effect from 14.10.2023. However, the new statute will not operate retrospectively.
- The Continuance of the Heads of departments who were appointed before 14.10.2023 into the next Academic year without adhering to the provisions outlined in the amended Statute would be illegal due to the rigour of Statute 72 B and stipulations therein.
- As per Ordinance 1 of Chapter II, of the Kerala University First Ordinances, 1978, the Academic year for all Colleges affiliated to the University and Educational Institutions and Departments maintained by the University begins on the 1st of June each year and ends on the 31st on May next year. Therefore, nominations/appointment of heads of departments in all

colleges from 01.06.2024 shall be made in strict adherence to the provisions outlined in Statute 72 B Chapter 4A of the Kerala University (Conditions of Service of Teachers and Members of Non-Teaching Staff) First Statutes, 1979.

- If any senior most Professor is currently holding the position as the Head of a Department, he shall be re-appointed as the Head of the Department in accordance with the provisions of Statute 72 B and the Professor so appointed shall be allowed to continue up to 3 years or until his superannuation date whichever comes first, from the date he assumes the office of the Head as stipulated in Statute 72 B (2) of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1979.
- If any senior most Associate Professor is currently holding the position as the Head of a Department due to the absence of Professors, he shall be re-appointed as the Head of the Department in accordance with the provisions of Statute 72 B and the Associate Professor so appointed shall be allowed to continue up to 3 years or until his superannuation date whichever comes first, from the date he assumes the office of the Head as stipulated in Statute 72 B (2) of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1979.
- If any senior most Assistant Professor is currently holding the position as the Head of a Department due to the absence of Professors and Associate Professor he shall be re-appointed as Assistant Professor in charge of the Department in accordance with the provisions of Statute 72 B. But his continuance as Head of the Department shall be subject to the provisions in Clause (2) and (11) of Statute 72 B (2) of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1979.
- Rotation of headship in Departments of Aided Colleges is not a matter of discretion, but a clear statutory requirement. Therefore, the provisions of the new amendment should be strictly adhered to from the ensuing academic year onwards. Any failure to do so would be a violation of Statute 72B of Chapter 4A of the Kerala University First Statutes, 1979.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the remarks of the Legal Advisor on the clarification sought regarding the implementation of Headship Rotation in Aided colleges of the University have been accepted. Consequently, Circular Ac FII/General/2024 dated 01.06.2024 was issued in the light of the Legal Advisor remarks incorporating the aforementioned clarifications, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

Hence, 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.13.64

Department of Future Studies - Implementation of Specific Project of 'Proposal for developing Business Innovation and Incubation Centre (KUBIIC) of University of Kerala into a state of the art incubation centre (First Year)'- Provisional Advance – Regularization – Sanctioned - Orders issued- Reporting of--Reg.

(PLAI)

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to regularize the provisional advance of Rs.50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakh only), released to Prof. Manoj Changat, Professor(Rtd), Department of Future Studies, vide U.O No. PL.A1/7088/2022/UOK dated 12.09.2022 and U.O No. PL.A1/8115/2023/UOK dated 27.09.2023, towards the Specific project of 'Proposal for developing Business Innovation and Incubation Centre (KUBIIC) of University of Kerala into a state of the art incubation centre (First Year)' from the State Plan Grant for the year 2022-23.

U O. No. PL.A1/6185/2024/UOK dated 23.07.2024, was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the regularization of the provisional advance of Rs.50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakh only), released to Prof. Manoj Changat, Professor (Rtd), Department of Future Studies, vide U. O. No. PL.A1/6185/2024/UOK dated 23.07.2024, 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.13.65 **KSHEC - Chief Minister's Navakerala Post Doctoral Fellowship - Dr.Raji C.G. -Release of First year Contingency Grant - Sanctioned - Orders issued - Reporting of- reg.**

(Pl.D)

Dr.Raji C.G., Assistant Professor in Computer Science, Assumption College, Changanassery, has joined as Chief Minister's Nava Kerala Post Doctoral Fellow (Full Time) under the mentorship of Dr. Vinod Chandra S. S., Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Kerala w.e.f 01.07.2023.

The Kerala State Higher Education Council (KSHEC) has sanctioned and released an amount of ₹ 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two lakh only) towards the first year contingency grant in respect of Dr. Raji C. G., Chief Minister's Nava Kerala (CMN) Post Doctoral Fellow, Department of Computer Science, University of Kerala vide Proceedings No. KSHEC-A1/144/CMNPF/Contingency Fund/191/2022 dated 02.05.2024.

Sanction has therefore, been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to the following, subject to reporting to the Syndicate:

1. To release an amount of ₹ 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two lakh only) towards the first year contingency grant in respect of Dr. Raji C. G., Chief Minister's Nava Kerala Post Doctoral Fellow, Department of Computer Science through the Head, Department of Computer Science, as per the norms of the sponsoring body.
2. The expenditure in this regard shall be booked under the head of account "Part III MH 80:D Grants from other agencies- 9/7728- Chief Minister's Navakerala Post Doctoral Fellowships" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.
3. The contingency amount shall be utilized to meet the actual expense occurred for the purchase of chemicals, glassware, books, other minor accessories and characterization charges etc occurred during the implementation of the project.
4. The expenditure for the purchase of any major equipment, computer, printer etc. shall not be met under the contingency fund.
5. Utilization Certificate furnished in the prescribed format of KSHEC with regard to the contingency, along with the audited statement of expenditure with bills and vouchers must be submitted along with request for 2nd year's contingency fund.

Accordingly UO.No.5423/2024/UOK dated 03.07.2024 has been issued.

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.

Item No.13.66 **Award of Ph.D Degrees**

(Ac.EII/Ac.EV/Ac.EV(A))

Item No.13.66.01 **Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Arya C. P. in Botany – reg.**

(Ac.E.II)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**TAXONOMIC AND PHYLOGENETIC STUDIES ON THE GENUS AGARICUS (BASIDIOMYCOTA) OF KERALA**” submitted by Smt.Arya C.P.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Smt.Arya C.P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Botany under the Faculty of Science.

Item No. 13.66.02 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Smitha M. V in Architecture-reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**REDUCING DISASTER VULNERABILITY THROUGH LOCAL KNOWLEDGE AND CAPACITY BUILDING – A CASE OF TSUNAMI AFFECTED COASTAL VILLAGES OF KERALA**” submitted by Smitha.M.V.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Smitha M.V., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Architecture under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology.

Item No.13.66.03 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Rakhi Ramachandran in Statistics-reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**SOME CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE STUDY OF ZERO-INFLATED POISSON DISTRIBUTION**” submitted by Rakhi Ramachandran.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Rakhi Ramachandran., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.04 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Maya G.S. Thankachy in Mathematics-reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**A STUDY ON VARIOUS DISTANCE RELATED PARAMETERS IN GRAPHS**” submitted by Maya G.S. Thankachy.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Maya G.S. Thankachy., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.05 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Anju S. Madanan in Chemistry –reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF NANOSTRUCTURES FOR THE DETECTION OF CARDIAC BIOMARKERS**” submitted by Anju S. Madanan.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Anju S. Madanan., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.06 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Manoj Mohan in Physics-reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**EFFECT OF CALCIUM AND LANTHANUM SUBSTITUTION ON THE MAGNETIC AND MAGNETOELECTRIC COUPLING PROPERTIES OF SINGLE PHASE MULTIFERROIC BiFeO₃**” submitted by Manoj Mohan.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Manoj Mohan., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.07 *Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Amitha S. Chandra in Botany – reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**SELECTION OF ELITE GENOTYPE, PHYTOCHEMICAL CHARACTERIZATION AND CONSERVATIONAL ASPECTS OF SYZYGIUM CARYOPHYLLATUM (L.) ALSTON**” submitted by Amitha S. Chandra.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Amitha S. Chandra., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Botany under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.08 *Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Indu B. Nair in Zoology – reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**G-PROTEIN COUPLED RECEPTOR SIGNALING DURING STRESS AND EASE RESPONSE IN MICE**” submitted by Indu B. Nair.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Indu B. Nair., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Zoology under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.09 *Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Anjali Vinod in Zoology – reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**DEVELOPMENT OF A SAFE PESTICIDE FORMULATION FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF SWEET POTATO WEEVIL, CYLASFORMICARIUS (FABRICIUS)**” submitted by Anjali Vinod.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Anjali Vinod., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Zoology under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.10 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sreeja R. in Physics-reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**MODELLING, FABRICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF PASSIVE SOUND ABSORBERS USING THE IMPEDANCE TUBE DESIGNED AND DEVELOPED IN-HOUSE**” submitted by Sreeja R.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sreeja R., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.11 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Marilyn Romeo in Social Work - reg. (2016 Regulation)*

(Ac.EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**MARRIAGE AS REHABILITATION: A CRITICAL ENGAGEMENT ON THE LIVING EXPERIENCE OF FEMALE CARE LEAVERS FROM THE GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS IN KERALA**” submitted by Marilyn Romeo.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Marilyn Romeo., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Item No.13.66.12 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Jyothi Lekshmy P. in Malayalam- reg.*

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**സാമൂഹിക വിമർശനം പി.എം.താജിന്റെ നാടകങ്ങളിൽ**” submitted by Jyothi Lekshmy P.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Jyothi Lekshmy P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Malayalam under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.13 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Drishya Gopi in Malayalam- reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “അധികാര വിമർശനം കൗതുകകരമായ ഉള്ളടക്കത്തിൽ” submitted by Drishya Gopi.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Drishya Gopi., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Malayalam under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.14 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri.Job Thomas in Education-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**QUALITY INSTRUCTIONAL PERFORMANCE OF B.ED. STUDENTS AS A FUNCTION OF LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY, TEACHING APTITUDE AND CONTENT KNOWLEDGE**” submitted by Joby Thomas.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Joby Thomas., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

Item No.13.66.15 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Shiney Jacob in Education-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**DEVELOPING AN ACHIEVEMENT MOTIVATION PACKAGE FOR ENHANCING SOCIAL INTELLIGENCE AND SELF EFFICACY OF SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS**” submitted by Shiney Jacob.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Shiney Jacob., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

Item No.13.66.16 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Suhana N in Hindi –reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**NARENDRA MOHAN KE NATAK: VARTAMAN RAJNEETIK SANDARBH MEIN**” submitted by Suhana.N.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Suhana.N., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Hindi under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.17 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Ancy A in Education-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**EFFECTIVENESS OF BLENDED LEARNING PRACTICES IN MATHEMATICS ON COGNITIVE SKILLS AND SOCIAL COMPETENCE OF SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS**” submitted by Ancy A.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Ancy A., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Education under the Faculty of Education.

Item No.13.66.18 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Rajitha C.R in Commerce –reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**FARM TOURISM IN KERALA; ISSUES AND CHALLENGES**” submitted by Rajitha C.R.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Rajitha C.R., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

ItemNo.13.66.19 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Indu V. in Computer Science and Engineering –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**MISINFORMATION IN ONLINE SOCIAL NETWORKS: PROPAGATION ANALYSIS, DETECTION AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES**” submitted by Indu V.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Indu V., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science and Engineering under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology.

Item No.13.66.20 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sathyareji G.S. in Statistics-reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**BAYESIAN ESTIMATION FOR THE POWER FUNCTION DISTRIBUTION BASED ON ORDERED RANDOM VARIABLES**” submitted by Sathyareji G S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sathyareji G.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.21 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Chinnu Chandran P in English-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**SELF, SOCIETY AND SURVIVAL IN SELECT WOMEN PRISON WRITINGS**” submitted by Chinnu Chandran P.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Chinnu Chandran P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in English under the Faculty of Arts.

Item No.13.66.22 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sinila D.B.S. in Communication & Journalism-reg:-**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**INFLUENCE OF FMCG ADVERTISING ON THE CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR IN KERALA**” submitted by Sinila D.B.S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sinila D.B.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Communication & Journalism under the Faculty of Arts.

Item No.13.66.23 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Thahira.P in Sanskrit-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**STREEPRATYAYANAM BHASHASASTREEYAMADHYAYANAM**” submitted by Thahira.P.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Thahira.P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Sanskrit under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.24 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Smitha S. in Hindi-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**SIMMI HARSHITA KE KAHANI SAHITY MEIN NARI JEEVAN**” submitted by Smitha S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Smitha S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Hindi under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.25 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Raji R. Krishnan in Chemistry –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**EXTENDED SOL-GEL METHOD TOWARDS GREEN ASSISTED SYNTHESIS OF NANOMETALS, FERRITES AND FUNCTIONALISED NANOSYSTEMS FOR CATALYTIC AND BIOMEDICAL APPLICATIONS**” submitted by Raji R. Krishnan.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Raji R. Krishnan., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.26 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Athira Chandran in Mathematics-reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**SOME GRAPH THEORETICAL PARAMETERS AND THEIR APPLICATIONS**” submitted by Athira Chandran.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Athira Chandran., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.27 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Amrutha Mohan in English-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**INDELIBLE IMPRINTS: RE-VISIONING SELECT ASIAN GRAPHIC NARRATIVES**” submitted by Amrutha Mohan.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Amrutha Mohan., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in English under the Faculty of Arts.

Item No.13.66.28 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Sri. Anil Prakash in Biotechnology –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“EVALUATING AN INTEGRATIVE MODEL FOR GENOTYPIC HETEROGENEITY IN AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER”** submitted by Anil Prakash.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Anil Prakash., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biotechnology under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

Item No.13.66.29 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Devi R., in Biotechnology –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“MOLECULAR IDENTIFICATION OF A NOVEL GDSL TYPE LIPASE FROM PSEUDOMONAS GUARICONENSIS AND POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS”** submitted by Devi R.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Devi R., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biotechnology under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

Item No.13.66.30 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Indira G. in Pharmaceutical Sciences –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“PHARMACOGNOSTICAL, PHYTOCHEMICAL AND PHARMACOLOGICAL STUDIES OF STEROSPERMUM PERSONATUM (HASSK.) CHATTERJEE”** submitted by Indira G.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Indira G., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmaceutical Sciences under the Faculty of Medicine.

Item No.13.66.31 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Ajinza A., in Biochemistry –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“EVALUATION OF PHARMACOLOGICAL PROPERTIES OF VITEX ALTISSIMA LINN”** submitted by Ajinza A.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Ajinza A., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biochemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.32 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Sri. Jaichand J., in Biotechnology –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTERISATION OF ANTIMICROBIAL COMPOUNDS, WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO ANTIVIRALS FROM MEDICINAL PLANTS BELONGING TO FAMILIES, FABACEAE AND LAMIACEAE”** submitted by Jaichand J.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Jaichand J., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biotechnology under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

Item No.13.66.33 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Parvanendhu P in Biotechnology –reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**ELUCIDATION OF THE ROLE OF HOST-FACTOR NUCLEOPHOSMIN (NPM1) IN CHIKUNGUNYA VIRUS REPLICATION**” submitted by Parvanendhu P.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Parvanendhu P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biotechnology under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

Item No.13.66.34 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Sri. Abeesh P. in Biotechnology –reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**ENHANCEMENT OF THERAPEUTIC EFFICACY OF WITHA FERIN A USING NANOLIPOSOMAL DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS FOR CANCER TREATMENT**” submitted by Abeesh P.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Abeesh P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biotechnology under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

Item No.13.66.35 *Consideration of the examiners’ reports on the Ph.D. Thesis submitted by Mr. Prasanth V. Kaimal in Music - reg:-*

Ac.EV(A)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**DR. S RAMANATHAN- MUSICIAN AND MUSICOLOGIST PAR EXCELLENCE**” submitted by Prasanth V. Kaimal.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Prasanth V. Kaimal., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Music under the Faculty of Fine Arts.

Item No.13.66.36 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Twinkle A.R in Physics-reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**SPECTRAL CHARACTERISATION AND QUANTUM CHEMICAL COMPUTATIONS OF SOME ANTIBACTERIAL COMPOUNDS**” submitted by Twinkle A.R.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Twinkle A.R., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.37 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Elizabeth Mathew in Physics-reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**THIRD-ORDER NONLINEAR OPTICAL STUDIES OF CHALCONE DERIVATIVES USING Z-SCAN TECHNIQUE AND DFT METHOD**” submitted by Elizabeth Mathew.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Elizabeth Mathew., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.38 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Shiny Salam in Commerce –reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“CONSERVATION ORIENTED FOREST ECOTOURISM IN KERALA: A STUDY ON BUSINESS POTENTIAL AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY”** submitted by Shiny Salam.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Shiny Salam., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce.

Item No.13.66.39 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Sulfath T. P., in Biotechnology –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“EXPLORING ECCENTRIC ROLES OF HIPPO PATHWAY IN THE PROGRESSION AND SURVIVAL OF TRIPLE NEGATIVE BREAST CANCER (TNBC) TO ASCERTAIN MOLECULAR THERAPEUTIC TARGET”** submitted by Sulfath T.P.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sulfath T.P., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biotechnology under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

Item No.13.66.40 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Lakshmipriya P.S. in English-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“CHARTING MOBILITIES: REPRESENTATIONS OF HIMALAYAS IN SELECT TRAVEL NARRATIVES”** submitted by Lakshmipriya P.S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Lakshmipriya P.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in English under the Faculty of Arts.

Item No.13.66.41 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sreekala R. in Hindi-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“DO HAZAAR KE BAAD KI HINDI KAHANI – PRAVRUTTIGAT ADHYAYAN”** submitted by Sreekala R.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sreekala R., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Hindi under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.42 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Neha Elizabeth Thomas in Mathematics-reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **“APPLICATIONS OF RAMANUJAN SUMS AND VARIOUS GENERALIZATIONS TO SOME NEW AND OLD PROBLEMS IN NUMBER THEORY”** submitted by Neha Elizabeth Thomas.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Neha Elizabeth Thomas., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Mathematics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.43 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Asa P. S. in Chemistry –reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**REDUCED GRAPHENE OXIDE METAL OXIDE NANO HETEROSTRUCTURES AS ELECTRODE MATERIALS FOR SUPERCAPACITOR APPLICATIONS**” submitted by Asa P.S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Asa P. S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.44 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Akhilash M. in Chemistry –reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**STUDIES ON HIGH CAPACITY CATHODE MATERIALS FOR LITHIUM ION CELLS**” submitted by Akhilash M.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Akhilash M., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.45 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Manjusha V. in Chemistry –reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**FABRICATION OF FUNCTIONALIZED POLYSACCHARIDE AND MESOPOROUS SILICA NANOPARTICLES FOR THE CONTROLLED AND TARGETED DELIVERY OF ANTICANCER DRUGS**” submitted by Manjusha V.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Manjusha V., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.46 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Mahesh A. in Physics-reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**STUDIES ON PHOTOGENERATED CHARGE CARRIER PROCESSES IN NANOCRYSTALLINE ZINC OXIDE**” submitted by Mahesh A.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Mahesh A., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.47 *Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Jishad A. Salam in Physics-reg.*

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**PREPARATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF SEMICONDUCTING THIN FILMS FOR OPTOELECTRONIC APPLICATIONS**” submitted by Jishad A. Salam.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Jishad A. Salam., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Physics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.48 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Indulekha B.S in Political Science (2016 Regulation) – reg.**

(Ac.EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**POLITICS AND SECURITY OF NEPAL IN THE 21ST CENTURY: ROLE OF INDIA AND CHINA**” submitted by Indulekha B.S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Indulekha B.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Item No.13.66.49 **Consideration of the examiners’ reports on the Ph.D. Thesis submitted by Mr. Manu J. Vettickan in Economics – reg.**

(Ac.EV(A))

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**PENSION SCHEMES IN KERALA**” submitted by Manu J. Vettickan.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Manu J. Vettickan., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Economics under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Item No.13.66.50 **Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Reshma P. R. in Botany – reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**CHECKING THE EFFICACY OF PLANTS IN REMOVING COMMON INDOOR POLLUTANTS**” submitted by Reshma P.R.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Reshma P.R., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Botany under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.51 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Satheenthar A.S. in Statistics-reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**ON EXPONENTIAL POISSON DISTRIBUTION AND ITS RELATED VERSIONS**” submitted by Satheenthar A.S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Satheenthar A.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Statistics under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.52 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sreen Thomas in Chemistry –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**SYNTHESIS, CHARACTERISATION AND APPLICATION STUDIES OF COPPER AND ZINC COMPLEXES OF N, N’ – DISUBSTITUTED THIOUREA LIGANDS IN NANOSYNTHESIS, BIOLOGICAL PROCESSES AND PHOTOCATALYSIS**” submitted by Sreen Thomas.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sreen Thomas., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.53 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the PhD Thesis submitted by Smt. Shimsa S., in Biochemistry –reg.**

(Ac.EII)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**THE THERAPEUTIC POTENTIAL OF SYRINGIC ACID AND SYRINGIC ACID-INCORPORATED GELMA HYDROGEL FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF DIABETES COMPLICATIONS**” submitted by Shimsa S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Shimsa S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Biochemistry under the Faculty of Science.

Item No.13.66.54 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Divya S. in Malayalam- reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**സ്വതന്ത്രവൈവിധ്യം ആധുനികാനന്തര മലയാള നോവലിൽ - തിരഞ്ഞെടുത്ത കൃതികളെ ആസ്പദമാക്കി ഒരു പഠനം**” submitted by Divya S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Divya S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Malayalam under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.55 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Sruthi T. S. in Linguistics- reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**FORENSIC LINGUISTICS FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM: CASE STUDIES ON FORENSIC DOCUMENTS**” submitted by Sruthi T. S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sruthi T.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Linguistics under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.56 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Surya.S in Hindi -reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**NIRMAL VERMA KI KAHANIYON MEIN PATRON KI PARIKALPANA: MANOVAIGYANIK ADHYAYAN**” submitted by Surya.S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Surya.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Hindi under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.13.66.57 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Smt. Vineetha Krishnan in English-reg.**

(Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**DISCOURSES ON GENDER: A STUDY OF SELECT PLAYS OF CONTEMPORARY INDIAN PROTEST THEATRE**” submitted by Vineetha Krishnan.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Vineetha Krishnan., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in English under the Faculty of Arts.

Item No.13.67 **Dr. Savitha Pillai S & Dr.Mamata Sahoo, Department of Physics and Dr.RenuMohan, Department of Biotechnology-Assistant Professors appointed in the University under the UGC’s Scheme of Faculty Recharge Programme - On time release of salary for the period from 01.07.2024 to 31.03.2025 by advancing funds from KUF – Reporting of- reg .**

(Pl.B)

Dr.Savitha Pillai S &Dr. Mamata Sahoo and Dr. Renu Mohan, joined as Assistant Professors in the Department of Physics & Department of Biotechnology of the University of Kerala under the UGC's scheme of Faculty Recharge Programme on 11.04.2018, 28.06.2018 and 06.04.2022 respectively. The UGC vide Letter No: F.4-1/2014(BSR)Pt.VIII dated 21/07/2018 requested the University to pay the salary to the UGC faculties on time which would later be reimbursed by the UGC. Accordingly, eligible salary were paid to the incumbents till 30.06.2024 by advancing funds from the KUF vide U.O No.4071/2024/UOK dated 14.05.2024. In accordance with the request of the UGC, sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to extend the tenure of appointment of the incumbents for a further period of five years with effect from 23.12.2022 or till the next peer review assessment under Faculty Recharge Programme, whichever is earlier.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to disburse salary to Dr. Mamata Sahoo, Dr. Savitha Pillai S, Assistant Professors (UGC FRP), Department of Physics and Dr. Renu Mohan, Assistant Professor (UGC FRP), Department of Biotechnology, for the period from 01/07/2024 to 31/03/2025, by advancing funds from KUF, for the timely disbursement of salary. The advanced amount may be recouped immediately on receipt of actual funds from UGC and to book the expenditure in this regard under the head of account "Part III MH 80 B- Grants from UGC- 9/8774- UGC Faculty Recharge Programme" provided in the current years Budget Estimates of the University. Accordingly U.O No.6974/2024/UOK dated 13.08.2024 has been issued.

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.

Item No.13.68

UGC – MMTTC (HRDC) - Grant-in -aid - Released to the Director, UGC-MMTTC (HRDC),towards the conduct of the programmes for the Financial year 2024-25 & disbursement of the salary of staff in the UGC-MMTTC (HRDC)- Reporting of-reg.

(Pl.B)

The Registrar in charge of Programme Director, MMTTC(HRDC) vide letter No.UGC-MMTTC/629/2024 dated:25.06.2024, requested to release Rs.40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty lakhs only), sanctioned vide Sanction order.F.No.40 30/2024 (HRDC/Salary) -Diary No.1654,1655,1656 dtd 18.06.2024, as advance grant-in-aid for the financial year 2024-25, for conducting courses on NEP-Themes, FIP (Guru Dakshita), Refresher Course , Short Term Programme, Workshop & other under the scheme of MM-TTP. In addition to this, the Registrar in charge of Programme Director, MMTTC (HRDC) informed that due to paucity of funds at MMTTC, MMTTC is not able to conduct the scheduled courses during the current FY and requested to take necessary steps to release the amount of Rs.40,00,000/- received from the UGC as advance grant for the FY 2024-25 without delay for the conduct of scheduled course uninterruptedly. The Planning C section has acknowledged the receipt of Rs.40,00,000/- , in the UGC RBI TSA account (A/c No: 10671301169).

Grant-in-aid received from UGC-HRDC during the F.Y 2023-24 is **Rs.40,00,000/-, Rs.33,58,167/- &Rs.52,550,50/-**. Out of **Rs.40,000,00/-, Rs.20,000,00/-** has been released to UGC HRDC.

An amount of **Rs. 66,57,360/-** was advanced from KUF towards the working of UGC - HRDC) and **Rs.30,72,059/-** has been disbursed as salary/DA arrear/Salary arrear/Earned Leave surrender arrear in r/o the A.O, HRDC for the period from 01.01.2021 to 31.06.2023 and the Finance Section remarked to recoup the above amount.

The Finance vide endorsement FOS 1884/Finance I/2024-25 dt 10.08.2024 recommended to release

- a) **Rs.8,83,798/-** (Rupees Eight Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Eight only), being the balance amount left over from the UGC grant-in-aid after recoupment.
- b) **Rs.40,00,000/-** (Rupees Forty Lakhs only), the advance grant-in-aid in two equal instalments (Rs.20 lakhs each). The second instalment shall be released only after the utilization the first instalment.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate,

1. to recoup an amount of Rs.97,29,419/- from the total amount of Rs.1,26,13,217/- released during 2023-24 F.Y from which Rs.20,00,000/- has already been released to UGC-MMTTC(HRDC). (Rs.8,83,798/- balance grant-in-aid after recoupment).
2. to transfer the advance grant-in-aid of Rs.40,00,000/- (Rupees Forty Lakhs) for 2024-25, FY sanctioned during the 2024-25 FY to KUF and to release the advance grant-in-aid in two equal instalments (Rs.20 lakhs each). The second instalment shall be released only after the utilization the first instalment.
3. to release an amount of Rs.28,83,798/- (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety Eight only) to the PD account of the Director, UGC-MMTTC, towards the conduct of the programmes & disbursement of the salary of staff at MMTTC.
4. to meet the expenditure in this regard from the head of account " Part II-Plan -MH-59(g)-UGC Human Resource Development Centre -4/1200- Activities " of the current year's BE of the University.
5. to recoup the salary released towards providing service of the Administrative Officer from 01.07.2023 till date and to provide service of administrative staff in the UGC-MMTTC in accordance with UGC-MMTTC guidelines 2024.

Accordingly U.O No. 7001/2024/UOK, dated: 14.08.2024 has been issued.

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.

Item No.13.69

Dr.C.S.Suchith, Associate Professor, Department of Hindi - Disciplinary action- Reply to Memo of Charges and Statement of Allegations – Consideration of-reg.

(Ad.FII)

A female student pursuing her first year MA degree along with several other first and second-year MA students in Dept of Hindi have complained against Dr.Suchith C.S, alleging serious misconduct concerning his character. Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) heard the complainants and the accused and the report of the same was placed as Item No. 08.96 in the meeting of Syndicate held on 15.02.2024. The Syndicate resolved the following:

- To accept the report and endorse the recommendations made by the Internal Compliance Committee(ICC)
- To suspend Dr.C.S.Suchith, Associate Professor, Department of Hindi, Kariavattom, pending an inquiry with immediate effect based on the findings of the Internal Compliance Committee
- Initiate immediate steps to file a police complaint against Dr.C.S. Suchith, Associate Professor, Department of Hindi, Kariavattom in response to the allegations made against him.
- Initiate disciplinary proceedings against Dr.C.S.Suchith, Associate Professor, Department of Hindi, Kariavattom in accordance with the provisions of the Kerala University Statutes. The Syndicate entrusted Dr.J.S.Shijukhan, Sri. R.Rajesh and Dr.P M. Radhamany, Members, Syndicate to conduct a detailed inquiry in compliance with the University Statutes.

UO No. Ad F II 1788/2024/UOK dated 28.02.2024 was issued placing Dr.Suchith C S under suspension with immediate effect, pending enquiry. A Police complaint was also filed by the University against Dr. C S Suchith, on which, investigation is ongoing at Sreekaryam Police Station.

As per Chapter 3 Statute 16 of the Kerala University First Statutes 1977, under the title 'Disciplinary Procedure' , it has been mentioned that the provisions relating to disciplinary procedure contained in Part III of Chapter IV, shall *mutatis mutandis* apply in the case of disciplinary action against the teachers of the University provided that the disciplinary authority for imposing minor penalties on teachers of the University shall be the Vice-Chancellor and for imposing major penalties, the Syndicate.

Chapter 4 Part III of the Kerala University First Statutes 1977 stipulates the disciplinary procedure. As per Clause 32, Whenever a complaint is received or on consideration of the report of an investigation, or for other reasons, the disciplinary authority or the appointing authority or any other authority empowered by the Syndicate in this behalf is satisfied that there is prima facie case for taking action against a University employee, such authority shall frame definite charge or charges which shall be communicated to the University employee, together with statement of the allegations on which each charge is based and of any other circumstances which it is proposed to take into consideration in passing orders on the case. The accused University employee shall be required to submit within a reasonable time to be specified in that behalf a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.

Clause 32(b) stipulates that the formal inquiry may be conducted by –

- (i) the Syndicate; or
- (ii) an officer authorized by the Syndicate; or
- (iii) an officer authorized by the appointing authority.

Accordingly, Memo of Charges and Statement of Allegations, legally vetted and approved by the Syndicate held on 12.07.2024, were served to Dr. C S Suchith via both email and post. Dr. C S Suchith, vide letter dated 23.07.2024, has submitted his written response to the charges. He has also requested to grant him an opportunity to be heard and to reinstate him to his original post.

As per the orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the reply to Memo of Charges and Statement of Allegations submitted by Dr. C.S. Suchith, Associate Professor, Department of Hindi, is placed before the Syndicate, for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

The Syndicate considered the reply to the Memo of Charges and Statement of Allegations submitted by Dr.C.S.Suchith, Associate Professor, Department of Hindi and **RESOLVED** to reject the same.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Inquiry Committee consisting of Dr.J.S.Shijukhan, Sri.R.Rajesh and Dr.P.M.Radhamany, Members Syndicate to hear all the concerned parties and place the report before the Syndicate for finalisation, at the earliest.

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Item No.13.70 ***Department of Biochemistry - Budget Speech 2023-2024 (Item No.91)***
"Life-style disease diagnosis Camp" - 2nd installment of Provisional
Advance - sanctioned-Reporting of-reg.

(Ad.FII)

An amount of Rs.5,00,000/- was earmarked for proposal ' Lifestyle disease diagnosis camp' in the Department of Biochemistry, which was listed as Item No. 91 In the Budget Speech of 2023-24. Rs. 2,50,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Fifty Thousand only) was sanctioned as provisional advance to Dr. Helen A, Professor & Head, Dept of Biochemistry as per UO No. Ad F II 8178/2023/UOK dated 30.09.2023.

Dr. A Helen, vide letter dated 05.02.2024 and 07.03.2024 forwarded the bills and vouchers of the first installment for regularization of provisional payment granted as per the said UO and requested to release the second installment of Rs. 2,50,000/- for the project. Sanction was accorded by the Vice - Chancellor, to the release of second installment of Rs. 2,50,000/- for the project and UO No. Ad F II 5588/2024/UOK dated 06.07.2024 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.13.71 ***State Plan Funds for the Financial Year 2024 - 25 – Financial Assistance***
Proposals for the Hybrid Programmes/Webinars – Consideration of the
Minutes of the Meeting of the Scrutiny Committee held on 12.08.2024– reg.

(Pl.B)

A meeting of the Scrutiny Committee to scrutinize the applications for the Hybrid Programmes/Webinars during 2024-25 using State Plan Funds of 2024-25, was held on 12/08/2024 at 3.00 p.m in the Syndicate Room.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the minutes of the aforementioned meeting (enclosed herewith), is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

Minutes of the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee to scrutinize the applications for the conduct of Hybrid Programmes / Webinars during 2024-2025 using State Plan Fund of 2024-25.

Date : 12.08.2024
Time : 03:00 PM
Venue : Syndicate Room

Members Present

1. Dr. K. G. Gopchandran, Chairman, Scrutiny Committee & Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research Sd/-
2. Dr. Mini Dejo Kappen, Director, Planning & Development Sd/-
3. Prof. (Dr.) A. Biju Kumar, Dean, Faculty of Science Sd/-
4. Prof. (Dr.) Sajad Ibrahim K M, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences Sd/-
5. Dr. Meena T. Pillai, Dean, Faculty of Arts Sd/-
6. Dr. Sabu Joseph, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology Sd/-

The meeting started at 03:00 pm

The Committee scrutinized all the applications and made the following recommendations

1. Proposals received till 25.07.2024 be considered
2. More than one proposal submitted by the same Organizing Secretary is not considered
3. Proposals received for conducting the programmes within the financial year 2024-2025, (ie after 31.12.2024-the due date prescribed in the notification) also be considered.
4. Proposals for financial assistance in 2024-2025, received before the issuance of the Circular dated 05.06.2024 be considered.
5. The financial assistance can be sanctioned as provisional advance subject to availability of funds in accordance with the concurrence of the Finance.
6. Financial assistance may be sanctioned to the Director (i/c) or the Administrative Staff of Raja Ravi Varma Centre of Excellence for Performing Arts with the concurrence of the Finance wing.
7. Selection of proposals was done in accordance with the guidelines of Hybrid programmes/ Webinars.
8. Proposals may be invited once again for the conduct of Hybrid Programmes/ Webinars from the teaching Departments/ Centers of the University for the year 2024-2025 and the last date for submitting the proposals may be specified as 15 days from the date of issuance of the Circular subject to availability of funds.
9. The financial assistance from the State Plan Fund of the University for the conduct of Hybrid Programmes and Webinars as recommended by the Committee are detailed in Appendix A and Appendix B respectively.
10. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Scrutiny Committee (Hybrid Programmes/ Webinars) be placed in the ensuing Syndicate for consideration.

The meeting came to an end at 4.30 pm.

Appendix A

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A(1)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
1970	Statistics: Five day National Workshop on “Python programming with Machine learning and Artificial Intelligence” 18-22 November 2024 Dr.Manoj Chacko, Associate Professor & Head	125000	Dr.Manoj Chacko, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Statistics

A(2)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2008	Oriental Research Institute and Manuscript Library: Three day National Seminar on “The Art and Science of Manuscript Studies” 12-14 November 2024 Dr.R B Sreekala, Professor & Head	75000	Dr.R B Sreekala, Professor & Head, Oriental Research Institute and Manuscript Library

A(3)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2018	History: Three day National Seminar - Interrogating Identity:The Historical and Contemporary Dynamics of Caste, Class and Religion in India” 05-07 December 2024 Dr.Shaji A, Professor &Head	75000	Dr.Shaji A, Professor & Head, Department of History

A(4)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2024	Philosophy: Three day International Seminar (Hybrid Mode) on “Social Epistemology:Theory and Praxis” 03-05 December 2024 Dr.R Lekshmi, Professor & Head	75000	Dr.R Lekshmi, Professor & Head, Department of Philosophy

A(5)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2040	Commerce: Four day International Conference on “Inclusive and Sustainable Development: Leveraging Fin Tech and Islamic Finance” 28-31 January 2025 *Dr.Biju T, Professor &Head	200000	Dr.Biju T, Professor &Head, Department of Commerce

A(6)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2043	Biotechnology: Three day Internatonal Conference on “Biotechnology-The Way forward” 20-22 November 2024 Dr.T S Swapna, Professor &Head	150000	Dr.T S Swapna, Professor &Head, Department of Biotechnology

A(7)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2044	Biotechnology: Five day National Level Hands- on Workshop on “Small Wonders: Microbiology and Nanotechnology for a Sustainable Future” 09-13 December 2024 Dr.Renu Mohan, UGC-Assistant Professor	150000	Dr.T S Swapna, Professor &Head, Department of Biotechnology

A(8)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2049	Raja Ravi Varma Centre of Excellence for Visual Arts, Mavelikkara: Twoday National Workshop “New Media: An Experiment with Its Ever-Evolving Newness” 14-15 October 2024 Dr.Anandkrishnan S K	40000	Prof.Tensing Joseph, Hon.Director Raja Ravi Varma Centre of Excellence for Visual Arts, Mavelikkara or Administrative Staff of Raja Ravi Varma Centre of Excellence for Performing Arts

A(9)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2054	Environmental Sciences: Four day National Workshop on”Microbiome of the coastal Environment: Structure and Functions” 19-22 November 2024 Dr.Salom Gnana Thanga V,Professor	130000	Dr.Sabu Joseph, Professor &Head,Department of Environmental Sciences

A(10)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2055	Inter University Centre for Genomics and Gene Technology (IU-CGGT): Two day International Seminar on “ETGB-2024” “Artificial Intelligence and the future of Genomics”(Hybrid mode) 12-13 December 2024 Prof.(Dr.)A.Gangaprasad, Academic Coordinator, (IU-CGGT)	100000	Prof.(Dr.).R Rajalakshmi, Hon.Director, IU-CGGT, University of Kerala

A(11)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2057	Advanced Centre for Regenerative Medicine and Stemcell Research in Cutaneous Biology (AcREM-STEM) and Department of Zoology- Five day National Workshop on the Importance of Alternative Model Organisms in Biological Research :Focus on C.elegans and Drosophila melanogaster 19-23 November 2024 Dr.Sreejith P,Director,AcREM-STEM and Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology	130000	Dr.SreejithP,Director,AcREM-STEM and Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology

A(12)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2058	Environmental Sciences: Three day National Conference on Impacts of Climate Change in India (NCICCI) 17-19 October 2024 Prof.(Dr).Sabu Joseph, Professor & Head	130000	Prof.(Dr).Sabu Joseph, Professor &Head,Department of Environmental Sciences

A(13)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2060	History: Three day International Seminar “Maritime Trade in Colonial South India” 18-20 December 2024 Dr.P.Jinimon, Assistant Professor.	125000	Dr.Shaji A, Professor & Head, Department of History

A(14)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2061 (1)	Sanskrit: Three day National Seminar “Role of Sanskrit in Indian Languages” 21-23 September 2024 Dr. C N Vijayakumari, Associate Professor & Head	Financial Assistance -Disallowed	

A(15)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2061 (2)	Sanskrit: Three day International Seminar “Global Issues and Sanskrit Knowledge Systems”	150000	Dr. C N Vijayakumari, Associate Professor & Head, Department of

	07-09 December 2024 Dr. C.N Vijayakumari, Associate Professor & Head		Sanskrit,
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A(16)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance -Disallowed
2061 (3)	Centre for Vedanta Studies: Three day International Conference “Sanskrit Source of Performing Arts” 18-20 November 2024 Dr. C N Vijayakumari, Associate Professor & Honorary Director, Centre for Vedanta Studies	

A(17)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance -Disallowed
2061 (4)	Centre for Vedanta Studies: Five day National Workshop “Trends in Sanskrit Research & Studies” 07-11 October 2024 Dr. C N Vijayakumari, Associate Professor & Honorary Director, Centre for Vedanta Studies	

A(18)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance -Disallowed
2062	Centre for Biodiversity Conservation (CBC): Two day National Workshop on Medicinal Plant Conservation, Cultivation and Marketing” 05-06 December 2024 Prof.(Dr.). Shiburaj S	

A(19)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2064 (1):	Hindi: Five day National Seminar “Aesthetics of Short Story Translation: Hindi to Malayalam and vice-verse” 11-15 November 2024 Dr.Herman P J, Professor	100000	Dr.S R Jayasree, Professor & Head, Department of Hindi

A(20)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2064(2):	Hindi: Three day National Seminar “Different Trends in Contemporary Hindi-Malayalam Drama” 14-16 January 2025 Dr.Rajan T K, Assistant Professor	120000	Dr.S R Jayasree , Professor & Head, Department of Hindi

A(21)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2066	Centre for Diaspora Studies in association with RC04 Indian Sociological Society: Three day National Seminar “Migration and Diasporas-Challenges and Opportunities” 14-16 October 2024 Dr. M S Jayakumar, Director.	100000	Dr. M S Jayakumar, Director, Centre for Diaspora Studie

A(22)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2065	Inter University Centre for Malayalam Language (IUCML): Five day National Symposium “ഇരുപത്തൊന്നാം നൂറ്റാണ്ടിലെ മലയാളഗവേഷണം” 06-10 December 2024 Dr.Sheeba M Kurian, Hon.Director.	130000	Dr.Sheeba M Kurian, Assistant Professor, Department of Malayalam

A(23)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2047(1)	Tamil: Three day National Workshop “Modern Lexicography” 24-26 September 2024 Dr.Hepsy Rose Mary A, Associate Professor & Head	60000	Dr.Hepsy Rose Mary A, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Tamil

A(24)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2047(2)	Tamil: Three day International Seminar “Folk Music and Performing Art Traditions of Tamils” 19-21 November 2024 Dr.Leema Metilda A ,Assistant Professor	75000	Dr.Hepsy Rose Mary A, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Tamil

A(25)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2047(3)	Tamil: Three day International Seminar: Exploring the Art of Visual Communication in Tamil 16-18 October 2024 Dr. A Percilla, Assistant Professor.	75000	Dr.Hepsy Rose Mary A, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Tamil

A(26)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2069(1)	Sociology: Three day Second International Seminar on “Forced Migrants, Displacement, Welfare Policies and the State” 02-04 December 2024 Dr.Bushra Beegom R.K, Associate Professor	150000	Dr.Sandhya R S, Head, Department of Sociology

A(27)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2067	Botany :Five day National Workshop on Plant Genome Analysis 09-13 December 2024 Dr. E A Siril, Professor & Head	120000	Dr. E A Siril, Professor & Head, Department of Botany

A(28)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2070	A.R Rajarajavarma Translation Study Centre, Department of Malayalam :Four day National Seminar “വിവർത്തനം-സിദ്ധാന്തവും പ്രയോഗവും” 07-10 October 2024 Dr.Seema Jerome, Hon.Director	100000	Dr.Seema Jerome, Professor & Head, Department of Malayalam (Hon.Director, A R Rajarajavarma Translation Study Centre,

A(29)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2071	Institute of Management in Kerala (IMK):Three day International Seminar“Tech-Driven Business Management: Navigating Challenges and Seizing Opportunities” 23-25 October 2024 Dr. R Vasanthagopal, Senior Professor and Head, Institute of Management in Kerala	87500	Dr. R Vasanthagopal, Senior Professor and Head, Institute of Management in Kerala, Karyavattom Campus

A(30)

Propo- sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance -Disallowed
2073	Advanced Centre for Regenerative Medicine and Stemcell Research in Cutaneous Biology(AcREM-STEM) and Department of Zoology- Two day International Symposium on Regenerative Medicine, Personalized Health and Multi-Omics for Lifelong Wellness (7 th edition) 17-18 January 2025 Dr.Sreejith P, Director AcREM-STEM and Assistant Professor,Department of Zoology	

A(31)

Proposa- l No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2076(1)	Economics:Five day National Workshop on Advanced Time Series Econometrics 02-06 December 2024 Dr.Manju S Nair	100000	Dr. Sheeja S R, Professor & Head, Department of Economics

A(32)

Propo- sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2076(2)	Economics:Three day International Seminar -Navigating India's Economic Development: Pathways, Prospects and Challenges 20-22 November 2024 Dr. Sheeja S R, Professor & Head, Department of Economics	100000	Dr. Sheeja S R , Professor & Head, Department of Economics

A(33)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2076 (3)	Economics: Three day “Sixth International Seminar on Gender, Women and Development” 17-19 December 2024 Shri.Siddik R, Assistant Professor	150000	Dr. Sheeja S R , Professor & Head, Department of Economics

A(34)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2080	Library & Information Science: Three day International	150000	Dr.Sudhi S Vijayan, Assistant Professor

	Conference on “Libraries at the Crossroads:Balancing Tradition and Technology” 06-08 November 2024 Dr.Sudhi S Vijayan, Assistant Professor &Head		&Head, Department of Library & Information Science
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A(35)

Propo sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2082	ManonmaniamSundaranar International Centre for Dravidian Cultural Studies (MSICDCS) : Three day International Seminar (Hybrid mode) “Comparative Study on Tamil Malayalam agricultural songs, riddles, customs and beliefs” 27-29 November 2024 Dr.Jeyakrishnan P, Professor, Department of Tamil(Director, MSICDCS)	100000	Dr.JeyakrishnanP,Hon.D irector, ManonmaniamSundaran ar International Centre for Dravidian Cultural Studies (MSICDCS)

A(36)

Propo sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2084	University of Kerala Study and Research Centre (UKSRC) Alappuzha:One Week National Workshop on “Good Governance and Rural Management: Strategies for Sustainable Development” 10-14 February 2025 Dr.Mushthaq Ahammed K, Director	175000	Dr.Mushthaq Ahammed K, Director, University of Kerala Study and Research Centre (UKSRC) Alappuzha

A(37)

Propo sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2089	International Inter University Centre for Sensing &Imaging, Department of Chemistry: Four day National Symposium on Emerging Nanotechnologies for sensors:Organisation and Recognition Systems 2024 (SENSORS 2024) 27-30 November 2024 Dr.Sony George, Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry	125000	Dr.Suneesh C V, Head, Department of Chemistry.

A(38)

Propo- sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2090	Chemistry: Two day National Conference “Neoteric Advances in Chemical Sciences 2024 (NACS 2024) 07-08 November 2024 Dr.Suneesh C V, Assistant Professor &Head,	80000	Dr.Suneesh C V, Head, Department of Chemistry

A(39)

Propo- sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2111	Central Laboratory For Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF):Three day National Workshop on Scanning Confocal Microscope with Live Cell Imaging” 09-11 October 2024 Dr.Subodh G, Director(i/c)	100000	Dr.Subodh G, Director(i/c), CLIF

A(40)

Propo- sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2098	Centre For West Asian Studies: Three day International Seminar “Reflections of Arab Social Landscape in Popular Culture of Kerala” 17-19 December 2024 Shri.Asharaf A,Hon.Director	110000	Shri. Asharaf A, Hon.Director,Centre For West Asian Studies, Department of Islmaic and West Asian Studies.

A(41)

Propo- sal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
211 2	Biochemistry: Three day National Workshop on Methods in Creating Chemical Models of Disease 21-23 October 2024 Dr.Viji Vijayan, Assistant Professor &Dr.Aishwarya Lekshman, Veterinary Surgeon.	100000	Dr.Arun A Rauf, Associate Professor &Head, Department of Biochemistry

A(42)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2125	Translational Research & Innovation Centre- (TRIC-KU) - Two day National Workshop “:Patent strategies and Translation” 27-28 November 2024 *Dr. Sibi K.S,Co-ordinator, IPR Cell	100000	Dr. Viji Vijayan, Joint Director, Translational Research & Innovation Centre (TRIC_KU)

A (43)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
1867	Statistics: Three day National Conference on Current Developments in Statistics (NCCDS-2024) 27-29 June 2024, Dr.E I Abdul Sathar, Professor	80000	Dr.Manoj Chacko, Associate Professor &Head, Department of Statistics

A (44)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
1463	Mathematics: Three day “International Conference on Semigroups, Operators and Automata (ICSOA-2024)” 22nd -24th May 2024 Dr.Thalmi B, Associate Professor	150000	Dr.Thalmi B, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Mathematics

A (45)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
1356	Botany : three day International Seminar on “New Horizons in Plant Science -NHPS 2024” trailblazing developments in Plant Science- with special emphasis on Plant Reproductive Biology 28th -30th May 2024 Prof (Dr).Shiburaj S	50000	Dr.E A Siril, Professor & Head, Department of Botany.

*As per guidelines one faculty member can apply for one event. Therefore one among the repeating faculty member excluded.

Appendix B

Pl.B - SPF 2024 - 25 Appendix B -Details of Financial Assistance for theWebinars from State Plan Funds recommended by the Scrutiny Committee

B(1)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2069 (2)	Sociology:Three day National Webinar “Advancing Indian Education:Insight and Strategies from New Education Policy (NEP) 2020 Dr.Sandhya R S, Professor &Head	50000	Dr.Sandhya R S, Professor &Head, Department of Sociology

B(2)

Proposal No.	Details of Organising Dept., Programme, & Organising Secretary	Financial Assistance recommended (Amount in ₹)	Person Empowered to receive Financial Assistance
2072	Education:Two day International Webinar on “Empowering Educators:Deciphering the Creative Potentials of AI for Teaching, Learning and Research” 3-4 October 2024 Dr.Bindu D, Associate Professor & Hon.Director, CET, Department of Education	50000	Dr.Bindu T V, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Education.

Total Financial assistance recommended for Hybrid Programmes - ₹44,42,500/-

Total Financial assistance recommended for Webinars - ₹100000/-

Grand Total -₹45,42,500/-

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendations of the meeting of the Scrutiny Committee to scrutinize the applications for the Hybrid Programmes/Webinars during 2024-25 using State Plan Funds of 2024-25, held on 12/08/2024, be approved.

Item No.13.72

Inter Collegiate Transfer to II Semester - CBCSS - B.Sc Geography Course – Alleged Ragging - Request for Transfer from Self Financing College to Government College - Manu S Kumar –Consideration of- Reg.

(Ac.AIII)

Sri. Manu S Kumar, B.Sc Geography Candidate (Candidate Code: 20523804002), admitted in Management quota at Emmanuel College, Vazhichal (Self Financing) has submitted application for inter Collegiate transfer to II Semester at Govt. Arts and Science College, Kulathur, during the academic year 2023-24, citing ragging related issues. The Principal of the intended college for transfer has reported that Vacancy of merit category is available there to accommodate the candidate.

As per the norms for inter-collegiate transfer of candidates under going First Degree Program under CBCS System, vide U.O No. Ac D/1/2011 Dated:09.06.2011, Clause A(1) Transfer shall normally be permitted to third and Fifth semesters only.

As per Clause C(II) & Clause C(III) of the same norms, 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.

Based on the norms, memo was issued to the candidate directing him to submit application for transfer to self-financing college, but the candidate submitted application for transfer from self-financing college to Govt. College. It may also be noted that there is a precedence of rejecting application for inter college transfer from self financing college to Govt. college based on the decision of the Syndicate held on 28.11.2023 vide item no. 06.71.02.

In this case, the following may be noted:

1. The candidate has applied for inter college transfer to II semester from Self Financing college to Govt. college, which is not admissible as per the norms.

2. Further the Second semester examinations of the final batch of CBCSS (2023 admissions) to which the candidate is admitted has been notified and examination commence on 30.08.2024. Hence Intercollege transfer can be considered to Third semester only
3. The candidate has reported that subsequent of the ragging issue he has availed TC and has not attended the classes, hence not obtained sufficient attendance to register in the second semester examinations scheduled to commence on 30.8.2024. Without registering for the lower semester Examination (second semester), promotion to Third semester and thereby college transfer to third semester cannot be considered.
4. Notional Registration in examination is allowable for candidates who have secured the prescribed minimum attendance to register the respective end semester examination. Due to lack of attendance, notional registration provision to register for second semester examination and considering the candidate for College transfer to third semester is not admissible unless the shortage of attendance in the second semester is condoned in the special circumstances.
5. Normally candidates, who fail to obtain minimum required attendance have to seek Re-admission in the respective semester with junior batch. The CBCSS courses have been switched over to FYUGP from 2024-25 academic year and hence the junior batch with whom readmission has to be granted is of FYUGP scheme.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the application received from Sri. Manu S Kumar (Candidate Code: 20523804002) admitted in Management Category to BSc Geography Course at Emmanuel College Vazhichal (Self Financing) for inter college transfer to the II Semester at Govt. Arts and Science College, Kulathur, recommended by the Principals concerned, citing ragging related issues, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and decision.

Resolution of the Syndicate

The Syndicate considered the request of Sri. Manu S Kumar and considering the fact that it pertains to a ragging issue, **RESOLVED** to permit the candidate an intercollegiate transfer from Emmanuel College Vazhichal (Self Financing) to the Govt. Arts and Science College, Kulathur in the 3rd Semester by creating an additional seat on a supernumerary basis as a special case.

FURTHER RESOVLED that the candidate be allowed to register notionally for the second semester examination. The shortage of attendance in the second semester be condoned as a special case. This resolution is not to be followed as a precedent.

Item No.13.73

Department of Student Services- Student Welfare Scheme & Student Care Scheme - Disbursement of Death and Medical reimbursement claims- Reporting of – reg

(Ad.DII)

The Director(i/c), DSS has forwarded requests of 15 students from various institutions under the University to release Death and Medical reimbursement claims under Student Welfare Scheme & Student Care Scheme.

The Syndicate held on 15.02.2024, vide item no. 08.90, resolved to approved the recommendations of the Combined meeting of the Student Care Scrutiny Board and Students Accident Insurance Scrutiny Board to release the death claim to the legal heirs and medical reimbursement to the students under Student Care Scheme and Student Welfare Scheme amounting to Rs.35,48,103/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Forty Eight Thousand One Hundred and Three only) and Rs.3,50,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Fifty Thousand only) respectively as detailed below:

1. To sanction an amount of Rs.500000/- (Rupees Five lakh only) each to the legal heirs of Sri.Ajith B (Late) and Sri. Anandhapadmanabhan G Nair (late), Sri. Aneer A.S. (late), Sri. Jibin Chacko Varghese (Late), Sri. Manukrishnan A. (Late), Sri. Vishnu vardhan S. (Late), as death claim under Student Care Scheme.
2. to sanction an amount of Rs.300000/- (Rupees Three lakh only) to the legal heir of Sri. Jesty James (Late) as death claim under Student Welfare Scheme.
3. to sanction the following amounts as medical re imbusement claim to the students detailed below under Student Care Scheme.
 - i). Miss Ann Mariya Varghese- ₹89,620/-(Rupees Eighty Nine thousand Six Hundred and Twenty only)

- ii) Miss. Darsana Das -₹1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
 - iii) Sri. Devadethan A B. - ₹1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
 - iv) Sri. Kiran K- ₹39620/- (Rupees Thirty Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty only)
 - v) Sri. Nikhil S.- ₹1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
 - vi) Miss. Sabitha S.S.,-₹1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)
 - vii) Sri. B. Sivasreekrishna-₹18863/- (Rupees Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Three only)
4. to sanction an amount of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only) to Sri. FirdouseNujum as medical reimbursement claim under Student Welfare Scheme.

Finance has endorsed the above proposal and also endorsed the proposal for re appropriating an amount of Rs.25,48,200/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Forty Eight Thousand and Two Hundred only) to the head of account "Part I-NP- MH: 58 -Students Services-4/5245-Student Care Schemes" from the head of account "Part I Non Plan MH: 63 Miscellaneous- 8/5948 Miscellaneous" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor to release an amount of ₹38,98,103/- (Rupees Thirty Eight Lakh Ninety Eight Thousand One Hundred and Three only) as Death Claim and Medical Reimbursement claim as detailed above and U.O No.6973 /2024/UOK dated 14.08.2024 was issued in this regard.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the matter 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.

Item No.13.74

Ph.D Degree to Smt. Reshma Raju and Smt. Shaina Jerald - Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974- Awarded- Reporting - Reg.

(Ac.EII)

Smt. Reshma Raju, Research Scholar in **Botany** under the guidance of Dr. A. Gangaprasad, Emeritus Professor, Department of Botany, University of Kerala, Kariavattom and **Smt. Shaina Jerald**, Research Scholar in **Botany** under the guidance of Dr. A. Gangaprasad, Emeritus Professor, Department of Botany, University of Kerala, Kariavattom and co-guidance of Dr. Sam P. Mathew, Principal Scientist (Retired), P G R Division, Jawaharlal Nehru Tropical Botanic Garden & Research Institute, Palode were granted permission by the University to conduct their Open Defences on 23/07/2024 and 22/07/2024 respectively. They submitted all the relevant documents to the university after successfully completing their open defenses.

The research scholars had also submitted individual requests dated 25/07/2024 to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. They informed that they had successfully defended their theses at the open defense. Additionally, an application had been invited for the post of Assistant Professor at the University of Calicut, with the last date for online submission being 30/07/2024. The detailed notification regarding this was appended to the request. As the formal approval of their PhDs by the Syndicate may be delayed, they requested the award of their degrees so they could apply for the said post within the time limit.

As per the **University of Kerala First Statutes, 1977**, "the report of the Examiners shall be considered by the Syndicate. If the candidate is adjudged worthy to be awarded the Degree, a resolution to that effect shall be passed by the Syndicate". As per **Section 10 (13) of the Kerala University Act 1974**, "if at any time except when the Syndicate or the Academic Council is in session, the Vice-Chancellor is satisfied that an emergency has arisen requiring him to take immediate action involving the exercise of any power vested in the Syndicate or the Academic Council by or under this Act, the Vice-Chancellor may take such action as he deems fit, and shall, at the next session of the Syndicate or the Academic Council, as the case may be, report the action taken by him to that authority for such action as it may consider necessary".

Considering the requests of the candidates and the recommendation of the Registrar, the Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor in exercising the powers of the Syndicate vested upon him under **Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974**, considered the reports and recommendations of the Board of Examiners appointed to adjudicate the PhD theses submitted by **Smt. Reshma Raju** and **Smt. Shaina Jerald** and declared them eligible for the award of the Degree of PhD in **Botany** under the Faculty of Science on 30.07.2024, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. The notification regarding the same was also issued on the same day.

The action taken by the Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor in awarding PhD Degree to **Smt. Reshma Raju** and **Smt. Shaina Jerald** in **Botany** under the Faculty of **Science** on **30.07.2024**, 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.13.75 ***Awarding of PhD Degree to Sri. Moni M. and Smt. Sinimol J.S, research Scholars in Commerce, invoking Section 10 (13) of the Kerala University Act 1974 - Reporting of – Reg.***

(Ac.EV)

Sri. Moni M, Research Scholar in **Commerce** under the guidance of Dr. G. Raju, Senior Professor, Department of Commerce, School of Business Management and Legal Studies, University of Kerala, Kariavattom, Thiruvananthapuram and **Smt. Sinimol J.S**, Research Scholar in **Commerce** under the guidance of Dr. V.M. Purushothaman, Assistant Professor, P G & Research Department of Commerce, Govt. Arts College, Thiruvananthapuram, whose Open Defences were conducted on 17/07/2024 and 02/08/2024, respectively. They had submitted all the relevant documents to the University after the successful completion of their Open Defences.

The Research Scholars had submitted requests through email dated 07/08/2024 to the Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor. They informed that their Open Defences are over and the formal approval of their Ph.D degrees by the Syndicate may get delayed. They also noted that the last date for submitting online applications for the post of **Assistant Professor at the University of Calicut** is **12/08/2024**. They requested that their degrees be awarded so that they can apply for the said post within the lime limit.

As per the **University of Kerala First Statutes, 1977**, "the report of the Examiners shall be considered by the Syndicate. If the candidate is adjudged worthy to be awarded the Degree, a resolution to that effect shall be passed by the Syndicate".

As per **Section 10 (13) of the Kerala University Act 1974**, "if at any time except when the Syndicate or the Academic Council is in session, the Vice-Chancellor is satisfied that an emergency has arisen requiring him to take immediate action involving the exercise of any power vested in the Syndicate or the Academic Council by or under this Act, the Vice-Chancellor may take such action as he deems fit, and shall, at the next session of the Syndicate or the Academic Council, as the case may be, report the action taken by him to that authority for such action as it may consider necessary.

Considering the requests of the candidates and the recommendation of the Registrar, the Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor, in the exercise of the powers of the Syndicate vested upon him under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, considered the reports and recommendations of the Board of Examiners appointed to adjudicate the PhD theses submitted by Sri. Moni M. and Smt.Sinimol J.S and declared them eligible for the award of the Ph.D Degree in Commerce under the Faculty of Commerce on 12.08.2024, subject to reporting to the Syndicate. The notification regarding the same was also issued on the same day.

The action taken by the **Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor in awarding the PhD Degree in Commerce** to **Sri. Moni M. and Smt. Sinimol J.S**, in the subject of **Commerce** under the **Faculty of Commerce**, on **12.08.2024** 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.13.76 *ICSSR funded Project titled “The effect of investors’ sentiments on sustainability and ESG ratings on the performance of Indian Companies” by Dr. Biju. A.V, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, University of Kerala as Project Director - Release of the second instalment of grant-in-aid – Part payment - Sanctioned – Orders issued – Reporting of – reg.*
(Ad.FI)

The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) has sanctioned a research project titled “The effect of investors’ sentiments on sustainability and ESG ratings on the performance of Indian Companies” by Dr. Biju. A. V, Associate Professor, Department of Commerce, University of Kerala as Project Director having financial support for a period of two years with a total outlay of Rs.14,80,000/- (Rupees Fourteen lakh and eighty thousand only) and released an amount of Rs.5,79,200/- (Rupees Five lakh seventy nine thousand and two hundred only), being the 1st instalment of grant-in-aid.

Later the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) has sanctioned an amount of Rs. 4,56,800/- (Rupees Four lakh fifty six thousand and eight hundred only) [Rs. 4,44,000/-being the second instalment and Rs.12,800/- being the balance amount of the first instalment] of grant-in-aid.

Owing to the declaration of Model Code of Conduct which came into force with effect from 16.03.2024, in connection with the General Election 2024, by which the Senate held on 27.03.2024 had resolved to approve the vote on account for the first quarter of financial year 2024-2025, an amount of **Rs.1,50,000/-** (Rupees one lakh and fifty thousand only) of which Rs.12,800/- towards the balance of the first instalment and Rs. 1,37,200/- towards the second instalment, out of Rs. 4,56,800/- received from the ICSSR was released to Dr. Biju. A.V, being the part of the second instalment of grant-in-aid of the project, vide UO No. Ad F1/1493/2023 dated 30/04/2024.

Subsequently, Dr. Biju A.V. requested to release the balance amount of Rs.3,06,800/- (Rupees Three lakh Six thousand eight hundred only) sanctioned by ICSSR for the project due to some exigencies.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor:

- (a) To release an amount of Rs.3,06,800/- (Rupees ThreelakhSixthousandEight hundred only) to Dr. Biju. A.V, AssociateProfessor, Department of Commerce, University of Kerala and the Principal Investigator of the project titled“*The effect of investors’ sentiments on sustainability and ESG ratings on the performance of Indian Companies*”towards the balance amountof second installmentofgrant-in-aid received fromICSSR strictly adhering to the norms of the sponsoring body.
- (b) To book the expenditure in this regard under the head of account “Part III- MH 80 D- Grants from Other Agencies- 9/9836- *The effect of investors’ sentiments on sustainability and ESG ratings on the performance of Indian companies*” by advancing funds provided in the current year’s Budget Estimates of the University.
- (c) To permit the Project Directorto transfer the amount to theS.B account opened to operate upon the accounts of the Project.
- (d) To transfer the institutional overhead charges to the DDF of the Department as per ICSSR norms/ University rules.

Order No.Ad.F1/1493/2023 dated 04/07/2024 was issued accordingly.

As per orders of the Hon’ble 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.13.77 *Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance –Approval of - reg.*

(Ad.AVI)

The Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and approval.

In view of the urgency, the Vice-Chancellor has approved the recommendation in Item no.34 and 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 Item no.34 and Additional item no.1 in the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024 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 : 26.07.2024, 10.30 am.
Venue : Syndicate Room, University Buildings

Members Present

1. Adv Muralidharan Pillai G (Convener, S/c of the Syndicate on Finance)
2. Sri. R Rajesh (Member, Syndicate)
3. Prof. Dr. P M Radhamony (Member, Syndicate)
4. Dr.S Jayan (Member, Syndicate)
5. Dr. K. G. Gopchandran (Member, Syndicate)

Members Absent

1. Dr.Shijukhan J S (Member, Syndicate)

ItemNo.13.77.01 Department of Political Science- Printing of Department Journal: Journal of Polity and Society Vol 10 (Issue 1 & 2) to Vol 12 (Issue 1 & 2)- clarification- regarding.

(Ad. Misc.)

An amount of Rs.75000/-(Rupees Seventy five thousand only) had been sanctioned as provisional advance to Dr.Suresh R, Professor, Department of Political Science, Kariavattom Campus towards the printing and publishing of the Departmental Journal 'Journal of Polity & Society': Vol 10 (Issue 1&2), Vol 11 (Issue 1 &2) and Vol 12 (Issue 1 and 2) vide U.O no.1603/2021/UOK dated 22/03/2021.

Dr.Girish Kumar R, HoD, Department of Political Science, Kariavattom vide letter no. Pol.Scie/2022/2023 dated 02.08.2022 has forwarded the bills/vouchers towards the regularisation of provisional advance drawn in connection with the printing and publishing of the Department Journal: Journal of Polity & Society':Vol 10(Issue 1&2), Vol 11(Issue 1 &2) and Vol 12(Issue 1 and 2).

While verifying the bills and vouchers, it has been observed that voucher verification report has been prepared by Audit Kariavattom by verifying the bills/vouchers in respect of Vol 10 (Issue 1&2) & Vol 11 (Issue 1 &2) and not mentioned Vol 12(Issue 1 and 2).

Clarification was sought in for not including Vol 12(Issue 1 &2) in the Voucher verification report vide letter no.Ad.Misc.3/Pol Scie/journal/2022/UOK dated 06.08.2022. The HoD, vide letter no. POL/629/244/2023 dated 19.09.2023 has informed that Department had printed Vol 10 (Issue 1&2) and Vol 11 (Issue 1&2) in the Kerala University Press. Meanwhile the Department had applied for inclusion of its journal in the UGC care list in 2022. In order to complete the application the last three issues needed to be submitted ie, Vol 12 (Issue 2) (2020), Vol 13 (Issue 1 &2) (2021) to the UGC office concerned. Due to the paucity of articles and to maintain periodicity for the UGC Care list application, the Department was forced to publish the volumes, deliberately avoiding a pending issue ie, Vol 12 (Issue 1). Due to the urgency, the HOD Department of Political Science has outsourced the printing work of the Department Journal Vol 12 (Issue 2) (2020-July to December) without prior sanction of the University by considering the remarks from the Press Superintendent (i/c), Kerala University Press vide letter dated 10.08.2021, that the work cannot be completed in time by the University Press due to the excess workload.

The Department later published the Vol 12(Issue 1) by utilizing the Provisional advance released vide U.ONo.Ad.Misc/2379/2022/UOK dated 25.03.2022. {ie Provisional advance sanction for Printing the Vol 13 (Issue 1&2) and Vol 14 (Issue 1)- It may be noted that the same was sanctioned to Dr.Suresh R, Professor, Department of Political Science}.

It may be noted that the HoD has outsourced the printing work of Vol 12(Issue 2) by inviting Quotations.The HOD has forwarded the Comparative statement towards the received quotations (M/s.SB Press Private Limited, Statue, Thiruvananthpuram, M/s Novelty Printers, TC 13/696/1, Vadyakkadu, Vanchiyoor P O Trivandrum and M/s Allied Print & Packing Products,Plot No.3, Kinfra Park, Menamkulam, Trivandrum) and receipt from SB Press Limited,Statue, Thiruvananthpuram, which is the lowest quoted firm.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 20.12.2023 considered the following:

1. Ratification on the action taken by the HoD, Department of Political Science in printing the Department Journal" Journal of Polity and Society Vol 12 (Issue 2) from outside press without prior permission from the University.
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2. Ratification on the action taken by the HOD, Department of Political Science in printing the Department Journal"Journal of Polity and Society Vol 12(Issue 1) by utilizing the provisional advance released vide U.O no. Ad.Misc/2379/21022/UOK dated 25.03.2022 for printing the Volume 13 (Issue 1 & 2) and Vol 14 (Issue 1) and recommended to hear the Head, Department of Political Science, by this Committee and further recommended to place a detailed hearing note, before this Committee. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 28/12/2023 vide item no.07.84.02 resolved to approve the recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 20.12.2023.

Hence the hearing note.

The Committee heard Dr. Girish Kumar R, Head, Department of Political Science.

Considering the explanation submitted by the Dr. Girish Kumar R. and the remarks of the Press Superintendent (i/c), Kerala University Press, the Committee recommended to ratify the following actions taken by the Head, Department of Political Science, without prior permission from the University.

1. *printing the Department Journal" Journal of Polity and Society Vol 12 (Issue 2) from outside press.*
2. *printing the Department Journal"Journal of Polity and Society Vol 12 (Issue 1) by utilizing the provisional advance released vide U.O no. Ad.Misc/2379/21022/UOK dated 25.03.2022 for printing the Volume 13 (Issue 1 &2) and Vol 14 (Issue 1).*

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.02 **Request from Dr.P Raghavan, Joint Registrar (Retired), for reimbursement of Rs. 36,450/-- reg.**

(Ad. BI)

In connection with the establishment of Records room in the University office building, Smt.Meena Ashok, the then Joint Registrar, Administration had been sanctioned an amount of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) as Provisional Advance, vide U.O No. Ad BI(1) 802/2015/035/47 dated 10/03/2020. In order to credit the amount, Smt. Meena Ashok, JR (Admn.) opened a current account in the SBT, KUOC in the name of Joint Registrar, Administration with A/c no. 39226428512.

Vide U.O No. Ad.AI-4/7404/2020 dated 01/06/2020, Smt. Meena Ashok was transferred as Joint Registrar, Academic and Dr. P. Raghavan was posted as Joint Registrar, Administration. The Cheque book with 25 leaves (412771 - 412795) was also transferred to Dr. P. Raghavan, JR (Admn.) on 25/08/2020.

Complete Lock down was declared w.e.f the mid-night of 24/03/2020, due to Covid 19 pandemic, and consequently the offices started working partially after 6 weeks, only for attending to the emergency duties. In the meantime, an amount of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) was credited to the current account no. 39226428512 opened by Smt. Meena Ashok, JR (Admn.) on 15/06/2020, and the amount which was unutilized by Smt. Meena Ashok, remained in the PD account of the Joint Registrar (Admn.).

Vide U.O. NO.Ad BI(1) 802/2015/035/47 dated 21/08/2020, Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) was sanctioned again to Dr. P. Raghavan, for the same purpose and U.O. No. Ad.BI(1) 802/2015/035/47 dated 10/03/2020 was cancelled; and the amount released to Dr.P.Raghavan was regularised vide U.O No.Ad BI (2) 802/2015/035/24 dated 24/02/2022. The amount sanctioned earlier to Smt. Meena Ashok remained unspent in the PD account of the Joint Registrar.

Dr. P. Raghavan, the then Joint Registrar had spent an amount of Rs.36,450/- (Rupees Thirty six thousand four hundred and fifty only) for clearing forest area in the University Senate House campus, from the amount kept unspent in the PD account of Joint Registrar (which was sanctioned earlier to Smt. Meena Ashok).

Since the Provisional Advance of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) sanctioned to Smt. Meena Ashok had not been regularized, a situation arose to levy penal interest for the same from her at the time of her retirement. Dr.P.Raghavan (Rtd.) and the then Joint Registrar of Administration together paid back the amount to KUF, in order to avoid levying penal interest from Smt. Meena Ashok. Later the amount of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) sanctioned to Smt. Meena Ashok vide U.O No. Ad BI(1) 802/2015/035/47 dated 10/03/2020, had been regularised vide U.O No. Ad. BI(4)/802/UOk/01/2023 dated 07/01/2023.

Later, vide request dated 07/12/2022, Dr. P. Raghavan, Joint Registrar (Rtd.) submitted that he had spent an amount of Rs. 36,450/- (Rupees Thirty six thousand four hundred and fifty only) for clearing forest area in the University Senate House campus, as directed by some members of the Syndicate. Dr.P.Raghavan further requested to reimburse/ pay back the amount of Rs.36,450/- (Rupees Thirty six thousand four hundred and fifty only), which he had remitted to KUF for the settlement of the amount sanctioned to Smt.Meena Ashok. Dr.P.Raghavan, Joint Registrar (Rtd.) has submitted the bills, vouchers and supporting documents.

As per the Syndicate resolution, the Finance Officer has submitted a report after verification of the bills and vouchers. In the report, the Finance Officer has observed the following anomalies:

- There is no Administrative sanction/ order seen obtained for the works done as mentioned in the submission and no orders for meeting the expenses from the Head of accounts suggested for another purpose.
- The vouchers have been submitted after retirement and forwarded for recoupment after two years.
- The amounts specified in the vouchers have not been withdrawn on the dates mentioned in the vouchers as per the bank statement furnished in the current file.

The report was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and thereafter before the Syndicate meetings held on 15.02.2024 and on 09.05.2024. It has been resolved to hear Dr. P. Raghavan and Smt. Meena Ashok, Joint Registrar (Rtd.) by the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Finance. The Vice Chancellor has ordered to implement the same.

The Committee heard Dr. P. Raghavan and Smt. Meena Ashok, Joint Registrar (Rtd.) and recommended to ratify the action taken by Dr. P. Raghavan, the then Joint Registrar in spending an amount of Rs. 36,450/- (Rupees Thirty Six Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty only) for clearing forest area in the University Senate House campus, from the amount kept unspent in the PD account of Joint Registrar (which was sanctioned earlier to Smt. Meena Ashok), without obtaining prior sanction.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

ItemNo.13.77.03 Shifting and reallocation of Department of Education- Utilization of DDF-Reg.

(Ad. Misc.)

The HoD, Department of Education vide letter No.DOE/104/2024 dated 13.05.2024 has forwarded a request to meet the expenditure towards shifting of Department of Education from Thycaud to Kariavattom from the Department Development Fund.

It may be noted that vide U O No. 3475/2024/UOK dated 22.04.2024 sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor for shifting the Department of Education from Thycaud to Kariavattom and it is decided that the expenditure incurred for shifting process may be met from DDF. The HoD, has forwarded the anticipated expenditure towards the same and has requested to grant permission for utilizing Rs.3,00,000/- from DDF for shifting the Department of Education. The split up is detailed below.

Sl. No	Expenditure	Amount (in Rs.)
1.	Labour Charge	1,25,000/-
2.	Transportation Charge	1,00,000/-
3.	Transportation Material cost	50,000/-
4.	Miscellaneous Expenses.	25,000/-
	Total	3,00,000/-

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request received from the HoD, Department of Education regarding the grant of permission to meet the expenditure towards shifting of Department of Education from Thycaud to Kariavattom from the Department Development Fund is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant permission to meet the estimated expenditure amounting to Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh only), as detailed below, towards shifting of Department of Education from Thycaud to Kariavattom campus, from the Department Development Fund, by accepting the request submitted by the Head, Department Of Education.

Sl. No	Expenditure	Amount (in Rs.)
1.	Labour Charge	1,25,000/-
2.	Transportation Charge	1,00,000/-
3.	Transportation Material cost	50,000/-
4.	Miscellaneous Expenses.	25,000/-
	Total	Rs. 3,00,000/-

The Committee further recommended to obtain prior permission if the expenditure in this regard exceeds the estimated expenditure approved by this Committee.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.04 Increasing internal revenue of the University - decisions of the Revenue Mobilization Committee - implementation -reg.

(Ac. E1)

The second meeting of the Revenue Mobilization Committee held on 15/03/2023 suggested to enhance the students fee like exam fee, admission fee, affiliation fee etc. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 17.03.2023 vide item no: 53.33, resolved to approve the above recommendation of the Revenue Mobilization Committee.

A note from Revenue Audit Section has received for the follow-up action in accordance with the above resolution of the Syndicate.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.10.2023 considered the proposal and resolved to constitute a sub committee consisting of Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Dr.J.S.Shijukhan and Sri.Rajesh, Members Syndicate to examine the proposal for revision of fee related to Ph.D Research. Accordingly the said Sub Committee was held on 04.05.2024. (Minutes of the Sub Committee appended herewith). The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.05.2024, vide item No.10.93, considered the minutes of the Sub-Committee and resolved that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the proposal for revision of the entire fee related to Ph.D. research, as part of increasing the internal revenue of the University as proposed by the Revenue Mobilization Committee, along with the Minutes of the Sub-committee, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the item be referred to the next Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

Item No.13.77.05 Ph.D. Research - Change of Research Supervisors and Modification of title - Foreign Scholars - Dept. of Political Science- reg.

(Ac. E1)

Applications have been received from the following foreign research scholars in the Dept. of Political Science, University of Kerala, duly recommended by the Supervisor, Head of the Research Centre and Chairman of the Doctoral Committee for change of Research Supervisors and modification of title.

The details of the Research Scholars are as follows:

Sl. No	Name of the Research Scholar and U.O. Granting Registration	Research Supervisor	Request with Details	Defects
1	Mr. Hakeem Jan Muffaker (Afghanistan) Public Administration (Full-time) As per Order (U.O.No.Ac.B1/31592/2019 dated 24.09.2019 w.e.f. 04.09.2019)	Dr.Suresh R (Retired Faculty)	1. Change of Research Supervisor to Dr.Josukutty C.A, Professor, Dept. of Political Science, University of Kerala, Kariavattom, Tvm. (Date of Superannuation: 31.03.2027) 2. Title to be modified as 'Citizen Participation in Urban Local Governance: A Study of Kerala State of India and Afghanistan'	1. Original fee receipt for change of research supervisor (US \$ 79) 2. Original fee receipt for modification of title (US \$ 53). The candidate has paid Rs.315 as the fee for modification of title 3.Detailed fee statement endorsed by the research supervisor 4. Proposed supervisor certified that there is no change in the Topic of research.
2	Mr. Ahmad Ali Karimi (Afghanistan) Political Science (Full-time) As per Order (U.O.No. Ac.B1/FS/Ph.D/08/2022 dated 05/12/2022 w.e.f. 23/11/2022)	Dr. Arun Kumar K (Resigned)	Change of Research Supervisor to Dr.Josukutty C.A, Professor, Dept. of Political Science, University of Kerala, Kariavattom, Tvm. (Date of Superannuation: 31.03.2027)	1. Original fee receipt for change of research supervisor (US \$ 79) 2. Detailed fee statement endorsed by the research supervisor
3	Mr. Jamal Nasir Kohistani (Afghanistan) Public Administration (Full-time) As per Order (U.O.No.Ac.B1/12311/2021 dated 21.04.2021 w.e.f. 10.03.2021)	Dr.Suresh R (Retired Faculty)	Change of Research Supervisor to Dr.Girish Kumar R, Professor & Head, Dept. of Political Science, University of Kerala, Kariavattom, Tvm. (Date of Superannuation: 31.05.2029)	1. Original fee receipt for change of research supervisor (US \$ 79) 2.Detailed fee statement endorsed by the research supervisor

The Head, Department of Political Science, University of Kerala has forwarded the minutes of the meeting of the Doctoral Committee held on 08.09.2023 resolved to transfer/ allocate the foreign students of Dr. Arun Kumar K (who has **resigned from his post of Assistant Professor and relieved from all duties with effect from 05.06.2023 FN**) and Dr. Suresh R (Retired Faculty).

The candidates have submitted the following documents for change of research supervisor/ modification of title:

1. **Mr. Hakeem Jan Muffaker**
 1. Copy of Registration order.
 2. Consent and proforma of the proposed supervisor.
 3. The research supervisor has to certify that there is no change in the topic of research.
2. **Mr. Ahmad Ali Karimi**
 1. Copy of Registration order.
 2. Consent and proforma of the proposed supervisor.
3. **Mr. Jamal Nasir Kohistani**
 1. Copy of Registration order.
 2. Consent and proforma of the proposed supervisor.

The candidates have not submitted the following documents for change of research supervisor/ modification of title:

1. **Mr. Hakeem Jan Muffaker**
 1. Original fee receipt for change of research supervisor (US \$ 79).
 2. Original fee receipt for modification of title (US \$ 53). The candidate has paid only Rs.315/- (Indian Rupee) as the fee for modification of title.
 3. Detailed fee statement endorsed by the research supervisor.
2. **Mr. Ahmad Ali Karimi**
 1. Original fee receipt for change of research supervisor (US \$ 79).
 2. Detailed fee statement endorsed by the research supervisor.
3. **Mr. Jamal Nasir Kohistani**
 1. Original fee receipt for change of research supervisor (US \$ 79).
 2. Detailed fee statement endorsed by the research supervisor.

The above mentioned research scholars have submitted **requests to consider their applications for change of research supervisor without remitting the requisite fee (US \$79). Mr. Hakeem Jan Muffaker has paid only Rs.315/- as fee for modification of title, instead of paying US \$ 53. He has forwarded a request vide email dated 02.12.2023, stated that the title modification was not his choice, it was suggested by his Department and he is an international student sponsored by ICCR. ICCR is not paying modification fee.**

Accordingly, Letter dated 07.01.2024 has been forwarded to the Head, Doctoral Committee in Political Science seeking remarks on the following matters:

1. Consideration of application for change of supervisor submitted by the above three ICCR sponsored foreign research scholars, without remitting the required fee of US\$ 79 to the University.
2. Consideration of the application submitted by Mr. Hakeem Jan Muffaker, foreign research scholar (ICCR fellowship) in Dept. of Political Science for modification of title, without remitting the required fee of US\$ 53 to the University, as he stated that title modification is not his fault and his department suggested the modification.
3. Forwarding of the statement on the details of the requisite fee remitted by the above three foreign research scholars, to the Kerala University Fund during their research period.

Accordingly the Head, Department of Political Science has forwarded the remarks on the matter of non remittance of the required fee for change of research supervisors/modification of title by the research scholars.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 15.03.2024, vide item no.09.106.A5 considered the matter along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research and resolved to refer the matter of granting change of research supervisor by exempting the required fee of USS79 from each of the above three foreign research scholars, to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting change of research supervisor by exempting the required fee of US\$79 from Mr. Hakeem Jan Muffaker, Mr. Ahmad Ali Karimi and Mr. Jamal Nasir Kohistani, three ICCR sponsored foreign research scholars in Dept. of Political Science, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to exempt Mr. Hakeem Jan Muffaker, Mr. Ahmad Ali Karimi and Mr. Jamal Nasir Kohistani, three ICCR sponsored foreign Research Scholars in Department of Political Science from remitting fee for granting change of Research Supervisor, on the basis of the request received from them.

The Committee further recommended not to concede the request of Mr. Hakeem Jan Muffaker, ICCR sponsored foreign Research Scholar in the Dept. of Political Science for exempting him from remitting fee for title modification.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.06: Aquatic Biology & Fisheries- purchase of Books for the Library in Department- Release of Payment. - reg.

(Pl. A1)

As per Circular No. Pl.A1/ Reprioritization/2022-23/24 dated 07/09/2023, all Departments and Centres/ Inter University Centres and concerned Sections were directed to obtain prior sanction before initiating any purchase, including the acquisition of Equipment, Furniture, Books and Journals, utilizing State Plan Grant.

The HoD, Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, has requested to release an amount of Rs. 88,754/- (Rupees Eighty eight thousand seven hundred and fifty four only), for purchase of Books for the Library in Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, debiting the expenditure from the State Plan Grant.

The Finance considered the above request and remarked that the HoD has purchased the books prior to the issuance of circular dated 07.09.2023 directing the Heads/ Hon. Directors of the Departments or Centres to obtain prior sanction before initiating the purchase of books. Hence the payment for the same may be considered after obtaining administrative sanction and subject to availability of plan funds.

The File was submitted to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor on the following:

- a) to effect payment of an amount of 88,754/- (Rupees Eighty eight thousand seven hundred and fifty four only) towards the supply of Books in the Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries considering that the purchase was made prior to the issuance of circular dated 7/9/2023 and on the basis of concurrence given by finance.
- b) to book the expenditure under the head of account "Part II- Plan- MH 21(i)- Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries- 4/1845- Books and Periodicals (State)' of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

While considering the same the Vice-Chancellor has ordered to place the proposal before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

The matter of issuing administrative sanction for the release of fund towards purchase of books by ratifying the action taken by the HOD, Aquatic Biology & Fisheries for the purchase of books which was effected prior to the issuance of the circular dated 07.09.23 is placed before the S/C of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to ratify the action taken by the Head, Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries for the purchase of books which was effected prior to the issuance of the circular dated 07.09.2023.

The Committee further recommended to release the payment amounting to Rs. 88,754/- (Rupees Eighty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Four only) towards the supply of books in the Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, by meeting the expenditure from the head of account "Part II- Plan- MH 21(i)- Department of Aquatic Biology & Fisheries- 4/1845- Books and Periodicals (State)' of the current year's Budget Estimates of the University, subject to availability of State Plan fund.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

ItemNo.13.77.07 *Ratifying the action of Dr. S.A Shanavas, Director, Technology and Resource Centre for Malayalam in utilizing the interest accrued on the provisional advance without administrative approval and regularization of provisional advance of Rs. 10,00,000/- reg.*

(Pl. AI)

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice- Chancellor, vide U.O No. Pl. A1/2537/2020/UOK dated 18.08.2020 to release an amount of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten lakh only) as provisional advance to Dr. S.A. Shanavas, Hon. Director, Technology and Resource Centre in Malayalam (Principal Investigator), towards the implementation of following "Innovative Projects", debiting the expenditure from the State Plan Grant sanctioned to the Department for the year 2019-20.

- 1) Chat BOT Assistance for English/Malayalam Language Learning.
- 2) Development of Bilingual Bi-way Encyclopedic Dictionary of Languages and Linguistics.
- 3) Famous Linguist and Language Scientist Across the World.

After the completion of work, the Head, Linguistics, vide letter no. LIN/Admn/15/2024-25 dated 03.05.24 has forwarded voucher verification report dated 02.05.24, issued by the Deputy Registrar, Campus Administration, admitting the expenditure of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten lakh only), and requested to regularize the provisional advance.

While implementing the programme, the additional expenses incurred has been met from the interest amount of Rs.56,355/- and the rest of the amount from the principal investigator's personal account. This was done without the prior approval of the administrative authority.

The Finance remarked that this action of the Director, Technology and Resource Centre for Malayalam is to be ratified by competent authority.

The File was submitted to the Vice Chancellor on the following:

- a) **to ratify the action on the part of the Director, Technology and Resource centre for Malayalam in utilizing the interest accrued, on the provisional advance sanctioned, for meeting the additional expenses incurred for the project without obtaining administrative sanction.**
- b) **to regularize the provisional advance of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh only) sanctioned to Dr. S A Shanavas, Hon. Director, Technology and Resource Centre for Malayalam, vide U.O.No.Pl.A1/2537/2020/UOK dated 18.08.2020, as endorsed by the Finance.**

While considering the same the Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the proposal before the Standing committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to ratify the action on the part of the Director, Technology and Resource centre for Malayalam in utilizing the interest accrued on the provisional advance sanctioned vide U.O.No.Pl.A1/2537/2020/UOK dated 18.08.2020, for meeting the additional expenses incurred towards the project, without obtaining administrative sanction.

The Committee further recommended to regularize the provisional advance of Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh only) sanctioned to Dr. S.A. Shanavas, Hon. Director, Technology and Resource Centre for Malayalam, vide U.O.No.Pl.A1/2537/2020/UOK dated 18.08.2020, subject to the re-verification of the bills and vouchers submitted for the additional expenses incurred towards the project amounting to Rs.56,355/- (Rupees Fifty Six Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Five only).

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to obtain a detailed report of the project from Dr.S.A. Shanavas (Rtd.), Hon. Director, Technology and Resource Centre for Malayalam and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

ItemNo.13.77.08 *Department of Sociology- Regularization of the Provisional Advance sanctioned towards the implementation of two Innovative projects- Request for ratifying the inordinate delay in initiating the process of regularization- reg.*

(Pl. AI)

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice- Chancellor, vide U.O No. Pl.A1/3147/2021/UOK dated 30.06.2021, to release an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees Two lakh only) each as Provisional Advance to Dr. Antony Palackal, Head, Department of Sociology, towards the implementation of following innovative projects, under State Plan Grant for the year 2021-22.

1. Ability Enhancement Programmes
2. Extension and Outreach Programmes

After the completion of work, the HoD, Department of Sociology has forwarded the Voucher Verification Report dated 03.04.2024 issued by the Deputy Registrar, Campus Administration, admitting the expenditure for an amount of Rs.1,95,685/- (Rupees One lakh ninety five thousand six hundred and eighty five only) and requested to regularize the advance drawn. The unspent balance have been refunded to KUF. The credit Verification report for the same has also been furnished.

The Finance considered the same and remarked to obtain clarification from the Head for the inordinate delay in initiating the process of regularisation of the provisional payment sanctioned vide U O dated 30.06.21.

Accordingly, the present Head of the Department has furnished clarifications for the inordinate delay in initiating the regularization process of the proposed provisional advance vide letter dated 07.05.2024. It is stated that the programmes were conducted as per academic curriculum and it was carried out as part of semester work. Three days' workshop on soft skill imparting and learning for professional advancement was conducted on 23.01.2023. The regularisation got delayed due to hectic work pertaining to NAAC Visit in 2022 and K U Researcher's fest during 2023.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the proposal for condoning the delay on the part of the Head, Department of Sociology, in initiating the process of regularization of the Provisional Advance sanctioned vide U.O. dated 30.06.2021, on the basis of the clarifications furnished, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendations.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to condone the delay on the part of the Head, Department of Sociology, in initiating the process for regularizing the Provisional Advance sanctioned vide U.O No. Pl.A1/3147/2021/UOKdated 30.06.2021, on the basis of the clarifications furnished by him.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.09 Department of Islamic Studies- delay in regularisation of provisional advance- 46,000/- sanctioned to Dr. A.K Ampotti, Former Head of the Department- reg.

(Pl. B)

An amount of ₹46,000/- (Rupees Forty six thousand only) was sanctioned as Provisional Advance to Dr. A.K. Ampotti, Head, Department of Islamic Studies, University of Kerala, vide U.O No. Pl.B/S.P./2020-21/Webinars dated 16/02/2021 for the conduct of the Two day National Webinar - "Profiling Islamic Studies as an Academic Discipline" from 23rd to 24th February 2021.

Dr. A.K. Ampotti, Head, Department of Islamic Studies vide letter dated 15.03.2022 forwarded the statement of Expenditure and bills and vouchers of the expenses incurred (46,250/-) during the conduct of the abovementioned National Webinar for regularisation of Provisional Advance.

On verifying the bills and vouchers the Audit Wing requested to submit the copy of publication with ISBN number, for regularising the provisional advance. Shri. Asharaf A, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies (Organizing Secretary of the Webinar) was intimated the same telephonically. Vide this office letter dated 23.06.2022, Dr.A.K.Ampotti was informed the same. Later vide this office letters dated 15.06.2023 & 04.11.2023 Dr.A.K.Ampotti, Head of the Department (Rtd) and Shri. Asharaf A, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies (Organizing Secretary of the Webinar) were requested to submit the copy of the publication with ISBN number, for regularising the provisional advance.

In reply to this office letter (reminder) dated 04.11.2023, Shri. Asharaf A, Head of the Department, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies (Organizing Secretary of the Webinar) vide the letter received in the section on 20.12.2023 informed that the submission of copy of proceedings was delayed due to some technical reasons, ie. "Other Books Calicut" agreed to publish the proceedings in the form of a book and had almost completed the works related to editing and lay out. In the mean time two contributors of articles requested for more time to restructure their articles. In spite of repeated reminders from the Department, both the scholars couldn't submit the draft on time as they promised. Shri. Asharaf A has further informed that the draft is ready and the publisher agreed to produce the book on the first week of January 2024. Considering the abovementioned reasons Shri. Asharaf A, Head of the Department, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies had requested for some more time to produce the copy of the proceedings.

As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor Shri. Asharaf A, Head of the Department, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies (Organizing Secretary of the Webinar) vide e-mail dated 27.01.2024 submitted the status, that the publisher (Other Books Calicut) informed that 20 more days is required for completing the publication work. Shri. Asharaf A requested to grant some more days to produce the copy of publication in connection with the regularisation of provisional advance. The Vice-Chancellor granted permission of additional time for submitting the copy of publication with the direction to submit the copy before 25th February 2024.

Shri. Asharaf A, Head of the Department, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies (Organizing Secretary of the Webinar) vide e-mail dated 26.02.2024 informed that the Managing Editor of the publisher - Other Books Calicut explained some technical reason for the delay and ensured that the copy would be delivered on 05th March 2024. Further, Shri. Asharaf A, has apologised in his inability in complying with the order of producing the copy of the publication before 25-02-24 and requested to grant him relaxation on the said date and also informed that the copy may reach at Thiruvananthapuram on 07 March 2024 and assured that on the next day it will be submitted to the University and vide e-mail dated 07.03.2024 informed that the proceedings of the Webinar on "Profiling Islamic Studies as an Academic Discipline" is ready for delivery and forwarded soft copy of the publication. Later vide letter dated 11.03.2024 Shri. Asharaf A, submitted two copies of the proceedings of National Webinar-"Profiling Islamic Studies as an Academic Discipline". Further he has informed that although the Webinar was held in 2021, the publication got delayed due to some technical reasons. He has requested to take further steps to complete the regularisation process and to condone the delay occurred in this regard. The delay in regularising the provisional advance occurred due to the delay in getting the copy of publication of the Webinar.

As per orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor the request of Shri. Asharaf A, Head of the Department, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies (Organizing Secretary of the Webinar) to condone the delay in submitting the publication and to regularise the Provisional Advance of Rs.46,000/- sanctioned to Dr. A.K. Ampotti, Former Head, Department of Islamic Studies vide U.O No. Pl.B/S.P./2020-21/Webinars dated 16/02/2021 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to condone the delay on the part of the Head, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies (Organizing Secretary of the Webinar) in submitting the publication and to regularize the provisional advance of Rs. 46,000/- sanctioned to Dr. A.K. Ampotti, Former Head, Department of Islamic & West Asian Studies vide U.O No. Pl.B/S.P./2020-21/Webinars dated 16/02/2021, on the basis of the clarification furnished by him.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.10 ***Dr. Achuthsankar S Nair, Former Professor, Department of Computational Biology and Bioinformatics -non regularisation of provisional advance of Rs. 5,500/--reg.***

(Pl. B)

An amount of Rs.5,500/- was sanctioned as provisional payment to Dr. Achuthsankar S Nair, Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science (pass) vide U.O.No. Pl.B/Ac A IV/2/04 dated 24.03.2004 for conducting a workshop on 29.03.2004 for restructuring the Syllabus of B Sc Degree in

Computer Science to be implemented from the academic year 2004-05. Later as per request of Dr.Achuthsankar S Nair, permission was granted by the Vice-Chancellor to postpone the date for conducting the Workshop which was already scheduled to be conducted on 29.03.2004 to 15.04.2004 at C .DiT, Chithranjali Hills, Thiruvallom. No regularisation orders are seen issued by the section.

Now, Dr.Achuthsankar S Nair, Former Professor, Department of Computational Biology and Bioinformatics vide e-mail dated 21.03.2024 informed that the workshop was conducted on 15.04.2004, the revised syllabus running to 150 pages was printed in the University Press and circulated to the stake holders including Industries, the syllabus was designed in OBE format, years ahead of it becoming mandatory through UGC instructions.

He has further informed that the said amount has not been regularised and as per records available to him, all bills were submitted (totaling to Rs.5831/-) immediately after event with the following split up.

1. TA/Sitting fee-Rs.3654
2. Refreshments-Rs.1952/-
3. Photocopying charges-Rs.200/-

He has further stated that the matter remains unresolved as the Section Officer/AR took the TA bills etc and passed them and arranged to pay the attendees again, although he had paid them from the provisional advance. Further he has requested to provide a copy of the records available in the University for Further Procedure and let him know the actual facts so that it can be brought to a resolution.

It may be noted that no such bills could be traced in the section.

The Audit VI section remarked that as per the records maintained in the section, the amount of Rs.5,500/- (Rupees Five thousand and five hundred only) sanctioned to Dr.Achuthsankar S Nair, Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science vide U.O.No. Pl.B/Ac A IV/2/04 dated 24.03.2004, passed in the section as per contingent bill no.49/03-04, C 8736/27.03.04 and it is seen that the provisional payment has not been regularised.

Ac AIV section dealing with the conduct of syllabus revision workshop remarked that the details regarding the matter is not found within the available records in the section.

The meeting convened by the Registrar for considering the matter of non regularization of provisional payment sanctioned to Dr.Achuthsankar S. Nair, Professor (Rtd.) discussed and concluded the following

1. Considering the existing Government directions the liabilities of the retiring employee has to be assessed three years prior to superannuation and any default in executing the same shall be treated as the liability of the administrative authority, the Registrar proposed that the matter of non- regularisation of provisional payment of Rs. 5500/- (Rupees Five thousand and five hundred only) sanctioned to Dr.Achuthsankar S. Nair, coming up after twenty years, may be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration.
2. The Finance Officer pointed out that various litigations are being filed against the University for non disbursement of pensionary benefits, withheld for want of regularisation of advances sanctioned during the service period.

As per orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of non-regularisation of provisional advance of Rs. 5500/- (Rupees Five thousand and five hundred only) sanctioned to Dr.Achuthsankar S. Nair, videU.O.No. Pl.B/Ac A IV/2/04 dated 24.03.2004, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to re-submit the matter of non-regularization of provisional advance of Rs. 5500/- (Rupees Five Thousand and Five Hundred only) sanctioned to Dr.Achuthsankar S. Nair, videU.O.No. Pl.B/Ac A IV/2/04 dated 24.03.2004, along with the remarks of the Finance Officer.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to regularise the provisional advance of Rs. 5500/- (Rupees Five Thousand and Five Hundred only) sanctioned to Dr.Achuthsankar S. Nair, videU.O.No. Pl.B/Ac A IV/2/04 dated 24.03.2004.

Item No.13.77.11 *Dr.G Devarajan, former UGC Emeritus Fellow-Department of Library and Information Science- Utilisation Certificate and the Statement of Expenditure of the second year grant (2010-11)-called for by UGC for final settlement-reg.*

(Pl. B)

UGC vide letter dated 31.10.2022 requested to submit the following documents/information for the settlement of pending Utilization Certificate pertaining to the UGC Emeritus Fellowship granted to Prof.G Devarajan, Department of Library & Information Science, University of Kerala.

- i. Audited Utilization Certificate duly signed and sealed by the Competent Authority against the grant sanctioned earlier.
- ii. Year-wise and item-wise details of Statement of Expenditure against the grant sanctioned as per scheme guidelines.
- iii. Refund of unspent balance along with the interest accrued, if any, lying with the University through RTGS in favour of Secretary, UGC, in Canara bank Accounts.

It was further informed that in case, the accounts remain unsettled and refund not remitted, University would be liable to refund the entire amount of grant along with the interest accrued till date.

In this context the following facts may be perused

- i. Dr.G Devarajan worked as UGC Emeritus Fellow in the Department of Library & Information Science, University of Kerala during the period 2009-2011.
- ii. Dr.G Devarajan, former UGC Emeritus Fellow, vide letter dated 08.02.2023 informed that he had received monthly honorarium of Rs. 20000/- from the University for two years and that after one year of fellowship, he had submitted bills along with statement of expenditure in respect of 1st instalment of contingent grant of Rs.50000/-. He has also stated that after the second year fellowship, he had submitted the statement of bills for Rs.50000/- against the second installment of contingent grant and the grant was received after the realization of the same and also vide letter dated 24.02.2023 , he informed that he had forwarded the Statement of Expenditure along with bills and vouchers immediately after the completion of the Fellowship period and further informed that on production of the same, the University had released the second instalment of the Contingent grant. Further vide letter dated 31.03.2023, also informed that he had forwarded the Statement of Expenditure related to the Contingent grant in 2011 itself and copy of the same is currently not available with him. Dr.G Devarajan vide letter dated 04.09.2023 has informed that the fellowship commencement year was 2009 and the end year was 2011.
- iii. It is seen that the UGC vide letter no.F6-87(H)/2009 (SA-II) dated 10.08.2010 conveyed the sanction of payment of an amount of Rs.2,90,000/- (Rupees Two lakh ninety thousand only) to the University towards honorarium and contingency grant in respect of Dr.G.Devarajan, Emeritus Fellow, Department of Library and Information Science for the plan expenditure incurred/to be incurred during 2010-11 as detailed below:

Subject	Period	Rate	Amount sanctioned
Honorarium	06.05.2010 to	@ Rs.20,000/-p.m.	Rs.2,40,000/-
Contingency	05.05.2011	@ Rs.50,000/-p.a.	Rs. 50,000/-
		Total	Rs.2,90,000/-

The same was released to him vide U.O.No.No. Pl.B/1341/09 dated 10.11.2010.

- iv. As per the details obtained from the Audit V Section, it is clear that the amount of Rs.2,90,000/- (Rupees Two lakh ninety thousand only) sanctioned to Dr.G.Devarajan, Emeritus Fellow, Department of Library and Information Science was released to him.

It may be noted that no file/document relating to the submission/forwarding of UC/SE of the second year grant (2010-11) in r/o Dr.G.Devarajan could be traced in the section and as per Audit records the second instalment of grant of Rs.2,90,000/- has been released to the incumbent by the University.

Dr.Devarajan has stated that no copy of Utilisation Certificate/ Statement of Expenditure with regard to Rs.2,90,000/- (Rupees Two lakh ninety thousand only) sanctioned by UGC is currently available with him.

The UGC vide letter dated 11.08.2023 has once again requested for the Utilisation Certificate and the Statement of Expenditure against the grant of Rs.2,90,000/- (Rupees Two lakh ninety thousand only) released to Dr. G Devarajan, former UGC Emeritus fellow, vide UGC letter No.F6-87(H)/2009 (SA-11) dated 10 .08. 2010 and to refund the unspent balance and interest accrued, if any, along with a copy of the transaction detail to selectionaward504@gmail.com so as to facilitate the settlement of the accounts.

As per the direction of the Registrar, the remarks of the Finance Officer was sought as to what further action needs to be taken for settlement of the grant released to the UGC Emeritus fellow Dr.G.Devarajan,, as no file/document relating to the submission/forwarding of UC/SE of the second year grant (2010-11) released to him could be traced. In reply Finance II Section stated that no documents is available in the section and the Accounts IX sn stated that no copy of the UC/SE furnished is available with them.

As per orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor the matter regarding the non submission/ forwarding of UC/ SE of the second year grant (2010-11) in r/o Dr.G.Devarajan, UGC Emeritus Fellow in the Department of Library & Information Science is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to direct Dr. G. Devarajan, UGC Emeritus Fellow in the Department of Library & Information Science for producing the copy of Utilisation Certificate/ Statement of Expenditure for the second year grant (2010-11) amounting to Rs.2,90,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Ninety Thousand only) sanctioned by the UGC vide letter no.F6-87(H)/2009 (SA-II) dated 10.08.2010.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.12 SBI building at Senate House Campus- Renewal of leave and license agreement- reg.

(Ad. BI)

The lease agreement executed by the University with SBI KUOC branch on 01.08.2006 for 10 years expired on 31.07.2016. The meeting of the Syndicate held on 23.09.2021, vide item no.32.106.13 resolved to take immediate steps for the renewal of lease agreement with SBI KUOC branch releasing the arrear rent from 01.08.2016 to the date of new agreement @15% of Rs.11,407/- per month in respect of the existing premises of SBI KUOC branch. Accordingly, the SBI authorities had remitted the arrears of rent from 01.08.2016 to 31.03.2022 amounting to Rs.1,16,348/- (Rupees One Lakh Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred and Forty Eight Only).

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 29.04.2022 item no.26 resolved **to execute the leave and license agreement with SBI KUOC branch for 5 years with effect from 01.04.2022 and to fix the rent @ Rs. 28,624/- plus GST(to be paid by the Bank)**, with enhancement @15% every year. Further the Syndicate at its meeting held on 07.07.2022 vide item No.44.134.15 resolved that **the rent of building housing SBI KUOC branch shall be enhanced 10% every year** and also resolved that **the leave and license agreement shall be registered and the stamp duty and the registration charges for the execution registration of agreement shall be borne by the SBI.**

The further actions taken by the University is detailed below:

Sl. No	Letter from University to SBI/ Legal Advisor/ Finance Officer	Description	Letter from SBI/ Legal Advisor/ Finance Officer to University	Description
1.	20.07.2022	The Syndicate decision dated 07.07.2022 was intimated to the authorities of SBI.	10.08.2022 28.10.2022	The SBI authorities informed the University that their competent authority has accorded sanction to the following : • Lease agreement can be renewed for a further period of five years w.e.f. 01.04.2022 with enhanced monthly rent of Rs.28,624/- + GST, and yearly rental

				<p>enhancement of 10%.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank will bear 100% of registration cost.
				The Chief Manager, SBI forwarded the draft lease deed of SBI, KUOC branch.
2.	30.11.2022	The Chief Manager, SBI was requested to resubmit the revised draft leave and license agreement for the building housing SBI, KUOC branch, for 5 years with effect from 01.04.2022, incorporating modifications.	23.12.2022	The Chief Manager, SBI forwarded the modified draft lease deed of SBI, KUOC branch.
3.	16.01.2023	The file was forwarded to Legal Advisor's section for legal vetting of the draft lease deed of SBI, KUOC branch.	28.02.2023	The Legal Advisor remarked that the Bank may be directed to forward the renewed Leave and License deed as the arrangement on the basis of which the Bank is in occupation of the premises is on license arrangement.
4.	09.03.2023	The Chief Manager, SBI was requested to resubmit the revised draft leave and license agreement for the building housing SBI, KUOC branch, for 5 years with effect from 01.04.2022.	26.04.2023	The Chief Manager, SBI forwarded the draft Leave and License agreement of SBI, KUOC branch.
5.	02.05.2023 & 12.06.2023	The Chief Manager, SBI was requested to resubmit the revised draft leave and license agreement for the building housing SBI, KUOC branch, for 5 years with effect from 01.04.2022, incorporating modifications suggested by the Finance Branch.	13.06.2023	The Chief Manager, SBI KUOC Branch informed that they are proceeding the execution of lease deed and they have been advised by the Sub Registrar office that if the University Registrar is not available for execution of the deed a suitable letter from Registrar addressing to SRO stating to proceed with the execution of the Lease deed.
6.	23.06.2023	Since the corrected draft leave and license agreement has not been forwarded yet by the authorities of SBI, for the first instance, the Chief Manager, SBI KUOC Branch was directed to resubmit the draft leave and license	07.07.2023	The Chief Manager forwarded the corrected draft leave and license agreement for the building housing SBI, KUOC Branch for 5 years w.e.f. 01.04.2022.

		agreement incorporating appropriate modifications suggested by the Finance Branch.		
7.	20.07.2023	The file was forwarded to Finance Officer and thereafter to Legal Advisor for vetting the draft agreement submitted by SBI, KUOC	04.08.2023	The Finance Officer has remarked that the redrafted Leave and Licence agreement submitted by the Chief Manager, SBI KUOC branch has been verified. The arithmetical accuracy of the base rent rate on the basis of the prevailing GST specified in clause 4(ix) has been verified. Marked portion of the Clause may be modified as "The amount calculated as annual rent and applicable GST existing as on date is as follows".
			05.08.2023	The Legal Advisor has remarked that the draft agreement submitted by the Chief Manager, SBI KUOC branch is legally in order.
8.	16.08.2023 & 20.09.2023	The Chief Manager, SBI KUOC Branch was requested to submit the leave and license agreement for the building housing SBI KUOC branch, for 5 years with effect from 01.04.2022, in stamp paper worth Rs.200/-, with modifications suggested by the University and approved by the authorities concerned.	12.10.2023	The Chief Manager, SBI KUOC Branch informed the University that they made a mistake in the final draft agreement regarding payment of advance amount of three monthsrent[Clause 1(ii)] and has requested to proceed the leave and license agreement by deleting Clause 1(ii). Also informed that they have only agreed the following Criteria : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rental increase of more than 25% (Rs. 5.98/- per Sq feet to Rs. 13.05/- per Sq.feet) i.e, 118.20%. 2. Yearly rent enhancement 10% w.e.f. 01.04.2022. 3. Lease deed to be registered with cost being borne by Bank only (100%). 4. Expense for the renovation of the building borne by the Bank.
9.	18.10.2023	The file was forwarded to Finance Officer and thereafter to Legal Advisor for offering remarks on the letter from the Chief Manager, SBI, KUOC	02.11.2023	The Finance Officer suggested that the SBI, KUOC Branch shall remit three months' rent as advance deposit which is refundable at the time of determination of lease without any interest, following the same rule as that of the SBI, Kariavattom Branch.
			12.01.2024	The Legal Advisor remarked that the Bank is legally bound to adhere to the terms and conditions of the

				<p>“Leave and License Agreement” as they stand, including the payment of three months’ rent in advance, by stating the following facts :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Bank had the opportunity to express any disagreement with the terms and conditions of the agreement at the time of initial consideration. But the Bank failure to do so implies its acceptance of the terms as they stand. 2. The Bank’s claim that the requirement for advance rent is a mistake in the agreement is not credible. The same Bank, operating in Kariavattom campus, adheres to the same terms and conditions, including the payment of three month’s rent in advance. This demonstrates that the Bank is aware of and has previously accepted such terms. 3. The terms and conditions of a contract can only be altered with the mutual consent of both parties. In the instant case, the University, as the Licensor, has not consented to any alteration of the terms.
10.	25.01.2024	The Chief Manager, SBI KUOC was requested to proceed with the leave and license agreement without deleting clause 1(ii).	08.02.2024	<p>The Chief Manager, SBI KUOC has informed that</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. As per the original lease agreement between Bank and University of Kerala there is no provision for payment of three months advance rent. 2. Inadvertently payment of three months advance rent was included in the draft copy of leave and license agreement, this mistake had crept in because the document was prepared by their Bank panel Advocate referring to lease agreement executed by Karyavattom branch. It may be noted that as per the terms of the original lease agreement of Karyavattom Branch, Bank had made payment of three months advance rent and the same clause is being continued for all renewals. Since there is no provision in original agreement of KUOC branch to make payment of three month advance rent, they are not in a position to process the advance rent

				payment. The Chief Manager, SBI KUOC has therefore requested to approve the execution of leave and license agreement without inclusion of three months advance clause.
11.	27.02.2024	The University has again requested the Chief Manager, SBI KUOC to execute the leave and license agreement without altering the terms and conditions agreed by the University.	29.02.2024	The Chief Manager, SBI KUOC has again requested to approve the execution of leave and license agreement without inclusion of three months advance clause. (Copy appended).

In this context, the Vice-Chancellor has ordered to place **the request of the Chief Manager, SBI KUOC branch to approve the leave and license agreement by deleting Clause 1(ii) regarding the payment of three month rent as advance towards Security deposit**, before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the above matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and noted that the Sub-Committee constituted, as per the resolution of the Syndicate held on 09-05-2024, had discussed with the Officials of SBI KUOC branch and finalized all the issues with SBI at Senate House Campus.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.13: *Non payment of rent/ arrear rent for SBI ATM/ CDM at the K.R. Narayanan Memorial Students Amenity Centre, Senate House Campus – Report - reg.*

(Ad. BI)

The Syndicate, at its meeting held on 09.05.2024 vide item No. 10.73.11 had resolved to submit a detailed report on the installation of ATM at the Student's Amenities building before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, after examining details in the file. The chronological details in this regard, are as follows:

Sl.No	Date	Description
1.	16.06.2019	SBI ATM got installed in the K.R Narayanan Student's Amenity Centre, Senate House Campus.
2.	30.10.2019	The Syndicate meeting held on 30.10.2019, vide item no 05.109.02 resolved to fix the rent for ATM @ Rs. 25,000/- + applicable GST per month from the date of installation of the ATM at the Students Amenity building on the same conditions as for the Bank building.
3.	30.12.2019	The Chief Manager, SBI informed willingness to install the ATM on lease, with rent @ Rs.10,000/- + applicable GST per month from the date of installation of the ATM at the Students' Amenities building at SH Campus, with 15% increase once in 3 years.
4.	28.04.2020	The Syndicate at its meeting held on 28.04.2020 vide item no. 10.157.02 resolved to fix the rent @Rs. 20,000/- + applicable GST per month from the date of installation of the ATM at the Students' Amenities building at SH Campus and the percentage of increase in every 3 years shall be reduced to 15% from 40%.
5.	21.05.2020, 06.10.2020	Bank authorities were informed to execute the lease agreement.
6.	15.10.2020	The Chief manager, SBI requested permission to shift ATM from the present location at Amenity building to the existing branch premises, as the present site was an open area prone to security threats.

7.	29.12.2020	The Syndicate at its meeting held on 29.12.2020 vide item no. 21.109, resolved to invite the Chief Manager, SBI for a detailed discussion regarding execution of registered lease deed for the new premises for bank at the Amenity Centre building.
8.	11.01.2021	The bank authorities informed that the ATM was fixed at the Amenity centre building in 2019 as instructed from the University and the branch cannot bear any sort of additional expenses in this regard. They also expressed their interest to shift the new ATM at the Amenity Centre building to the old branch premises.
9.	17.02.2021	The Syndicate at its meeting held on 17.02.2021 vide item no. 23.07.01 considered the request of SBI authorities to shift ATM installed in the K.R Narayanan Student's Amenity Centre to the premises of SBI KUOC branch (at its old place) and resolved not to shift the ATM considering convenience of students.
10.	06.05.2021	The Chief Manager, SBI informed that the bank has decided to relocate ATM - Recycler installed at the Amenity Centre building and to provide an ATM to KUOC branch. Also, as the process of relocation of old machine and installation of new machine will take 1 to 2 weeks, for the time being, the new machine was installed in the room adjacent to Branch Office, so as to provide uninterrupted ATM facility.
11.	23.09.2021	The Syndicate meeting held on 23.09.2021 vide item no. 32.106.13, resolved to issue demand notice again to realize rent for space allotted for ATM counter.
12.	13.10.2021	The Manager, SBI KUOC was directed to remit rent for ATM @ Rs. 20,000/- + applicable GST per month from the date of installation of the ATM in the Amenity Centre.
13.	20.10.2021	The bank informed that the ATM was shifted to new building in 2019 as instructed by the University for equipping the new building with ATM facility and the branch cannot bear any sort of additional expenses in this regard.
14.	16.11.2021	The Chief Manager, SBI KUOC was requested to take immediate steps to execute a registered lease deed for the ATM functioning in the Amenity building and to expedite the remittance of lease rent for the ATM at Rs. 20,000/- plus applicable GST per month, from the date of installation.
15.	18.12.2021	The bank reiterated the point that the ATM was shifted to new building in 2019 as instructed by the University for equipping the new building with ATM facility and the branch cannot bear any sort of additional expenses in this regard.
16.	22.01.2022	The bank authorities were requested to submit a draft lease deed for the ATM functioning in Dr. K R Narayanan Student's Amenity building.
17.	29.04.2022	The Syndicate meeting held on 29.04.2022 resolved to shift the CDM installed in the Student's Amenity building to the existing bank premises.
18.	05.05.2022, 06.01.2023	Decision of the Syndicate was intimated to the bank authorities and frequent reminders were sent to the bank authorities to proceed with the shifting of the ATM/ CDM to the existing bank premises and to remit the arrear rent till the period, on the rate fixed by the Syndicate.
19.	14.03.2023	The bank authorities informed that they have made arrangements for shifting the ATM/CDM to their existing bank premises.
20.	24.03.2023	The bank authorities were informed of the total arrear amount and requested to remit the amount.
21.	20.05.2023	The bank authorities informed that they have shifted the ATM/ CDM to the existing bank ATM premises on 20.05.2023.
22.	27.05.2023	The bank authorities were requested to remit the rent due for the ATM/CDM installed at the Amenity building.

23.	30.05.2023	The bank authorities were informed of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The CDM was shifted to K R Narayanan Student's Amenity premises on the request from the University, for better convenience of the students as well as the staff members of the institution. • As there were no lease agreement/ MOU regarding the payment of monthly rent, there is no need of payment of monthly rent and hence they expressed their inability to consider the request for the payment of rent.
24.	27.06.2023	The Syndicate at its meeting held on 27.06.2023 resolved to inform SBI Bank authorities to remit the arrear rent till the period on the rate fixed by the Syndicate immediately. Further resolved to initiate urgent steps to execute an agreement with SBI for effecting the monthly rent of SBI ATM/CDM installed in the K.R Narayanan Student's Amenity Centre.
25.	27.07.2023 26.09.2023 & 09.02.2024	The bank authorities were requested to initiate urgent steps to execute an agreement with the University from the date of installation of the ATM at the Students' Amenities building at Senate House Campus(i.e, from 16.06.2019) and to remit the arrear rent upto the ATM functioned there, @Rs.20,000/- + applicable GST per month and the percentage of increase is 15% in every 3 years, immediately. But no reply has been received till date.
26.	30.04.2024	The consolidated list of all sources of income of the University through rent/lease rent etc. was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance. The Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 30.04.2024 examined the consolidated list of all sources of income of the University through rent/lease rent etc. and recommended to submit a detailed report on the installation of ATM at the Student's Amenities building after examining the details in the file.
27.	09.05.2024	The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.05.2024 resolved that the recommendations of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 30.04.2024, be approved.

The pending rent details of the ATM which was installed at Students' Amenity Bldg. are furnished below:

Sl. No	Period	Rent per month	Rent Due
1	From June 2019 to May 2022 (36 months)	Rs. 20,000/- per month + GST @18%	36 months X (20,000 + 18% GST) = 36 X (20,000 + 3600) = 36 X 23600 = Rs. 8,49,600/-
2	From June 2022 to May 2023 (12 months)	Rs. 23,000/- per month + GST @18% [15% hike after 3 years]	12 months X (23,000 + 18% GST) = 12 X (23,000 + 4140) = 12 X 27140 = Rs. 3,25,680/-
Grand Total		Rs.	11,75,280/- (Rupees Eleven Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty Only)

As per the orders of the Vice - Chancellor, the above detailed report on the installation of ATM at the Student's Amenities building, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and noted that the Sub-Committee constituted, as per the resolution of the Syndicate held on 09-05-2024, had discussed with the Officials of SBI KUOC branch and finalized all the issues with SBI at Senate House Campus.

Resolution of the Syndicate
RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.14: Internet Leased Line in the Senate House Campus- Upgradation from 4 Mbps to 100 Mbps Speed- Proposal from M/s BSNL- Negotiation Report-reg.

(Ad. BII)

At present, the University has an internet leased line connection from M/s BSNL in the S H Campus (with Circuit ID: 1000035943 and 4 Mbps speed). Each year the connection is renewed based on the remarks of the Director, KUCC that it is essential to have a back up internet connection in the University. An amount of Rs.1,26,378/- was already paid to M/s BSNL vide U.O No: Ad B II/1/7845/03/2023 dated 28.04.2023, towards the rental charges of this internet connection, for the period from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024.

Recently, M/s BSNL has submitted a proposal for upgrading the existing Internet leased circuit to 100 Mbps speed for an amount of Rs.7,22,160/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Only/-) as tabled below:

Yearly Charges			
Service	Rate (Rs.)	GST (Rs.)	Total (Rs.)
100 Mbps 1:1 ILL	6,12,000/-	1,10,160/-	7,22,160/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred and Sixty Only/-)

The Director, KUCC has remarked that, as the usage and data transfer of various portals are increasing day by day, the current speed of 4 Mbps is not sufficient for the proper working of the portal and hence upgrading of existing BSNL leased circuit is essential.

The meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on the Finance considered the matter and recommended to entrust Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G, (Member, Syndicate & Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance), Dr. K G Gopchandran (Member, Syndicate) and Registrar to negotiate on the proposal submitted by M/s BSNL for the upgradation of the existing leased line in the Senate House Campus from 4 Mbps speed (costing Rs.1,26,378/-) to 100 Mbps speed (costing Rs.7,22,160/-) and the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023 has approved the same.

Accordingly, a negotiation meeting was held on 01.03.2024 with M/s BSNL and M/s BSNL has submitted a revised proposal for upgrading the existing Internet leased circuit connection from 4 Mbps speed to 100 Mbps speed with 28% discount as detailed below:

Yearly charges				
Connectivity	Band width	Rate (Rs.)	GST (Rs.) (18%)	Total yearly charges including tax (Rs.)
1:1 ILL	100 Mbps speed	4,42,000/-	79,560/-	5,21,560/- (Rupees Five Lakh Twenty One Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Only/-)

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.05.2024 considered the report of the negotiation meeting held with M/s BSNL towards the proposal received for upgrading the existing Internet leased circuit to 100 Mbps speed and resolved to refer the item to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the report of the negotiation meeting held with M/s BSNL towards the proposal received for upgrading the existing Internet leased circuit to 100 Mbps speed is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the report of the negotiation meeting held with M/s BSNL on the proposal received from M/s BSNL and recommended to upgrade the existing Internet leased circuit from 4 Mbps speed to 100 Mbps speed, as detailed below:

Yearly charges				
Connectivity	Band width	Rate (in Rs.)	GST (in Rs.) (18%)	Total yearly charges including tax (in Rs.)
1:1 ILL	100 Mbps speed	4,42,000/-	79,560/-	5,21,560/- (Rupees Five Lakh Twenty One Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Only/-)

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.15: *Alleged irregularity in the second revaluation of answer book of the paper Public International Law of Tenth semester LLB examination of 2011-16 Batch - Refund of excess fine levied from the examiners - reg:*

(Ad. BII)

Smt. Sherly Rajan from Govt. Law College Thiruvananthapuram with candidate code: 11550064 was declared failed in paper III “Public International Law of X semester Integrated BA LLB Degree examination held in June 2016 as she had secured only 26 marks (ESA) out of 80 marks. Later, twenty candidates (including Smt. Sherly Rajan) had applied for scrutiny and revaluation for this paper. After revaluation, Smt. Shery Rajan had got only 18 marks. Hence, the candidate had submitted a representation to the Hon’ble Minister for Education citing her grievance which was forwarded to the University. Later, Minister for Education was informed vide letter dated 12.01.2017 that the University do not take up further valuation of the answer book as it is in violation of the norms prescribed in the Examination Manual.

Meanwhile, the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 29.04.2017 considered the matter and recommended that the set of answerscripts of “Public International Law” inclusive of Candidate code: 11550064 may be subjected to further evaluation by an expert outside Kerala. The recommendation was approved by the Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.05.2017.

Subsequently, as per the resolution of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 10.05.2018 external examiners from outside Kerala were appointed for revaluation of LLB courses and the marks given by the external examiners were awarded to the candidates. Also, personal hearing of the Original valuer, Chief Examiner and Revaluers (first and second) were conducted by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations on 25.04.2019. After hearing, the Committee observed that there is a wide variation of marks between original valuation and the marks secured after external valuation due to the subjectivity in the valuation.

Later, the Hon’ble Chancellor directed to take immediate action in accordance with clause XVII of the Examination Manual of the University of Kerala for conducting an enquiry and to find out whether any of the examiners who conducted the original valuation and the first revaluation are guilty of improper valuation and to take appropriate action in accordance with law and the statutory provision, with notice and opportunity for hearing to the affected parties concerned.

As per Clause XVII (d) to (g) of the Examination Manual

- (d) if either of the two/both revalued marks vary from the original marks by 20% or above, the fact shall be reported to the Standing Committee on Examinations.
- (e) If there is a difference of 20% marks or more between the first revaluation and the second revaluation, a third revaluation shall be arraigned. Average of the three revaluation marks shall then be awarded to the candidate and the matter shall be reported to the Standing Committee on Examinations.
- (f) The examiner who is found guilty of improper valuation/revaluation shall be debarred from examinership for University Examinations for a minimum period of three years. A fine of Rs. 500/- shall also be imposed on him/her.
- (g) The Controller of Examinations shall maintain a list of teachers against whom action has been taken under these guidelines. Such blacklisted teachers shall not be considered for appointments in connection with examination works in future.

The meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.10.2021 resolved to impose prescribed fine from the examiners on the ground of negligence. Accordingly, an amount of Rs. 5,000/- was imposed as fine on the five examiners as per U.O.No.M&C 1.2/1900/2019 dated 15.06.2019.

Sl. No.	Name of the Examiner and Designation	Amount	Paid/ Not paid
1.	Dr. Ramachandran Nair, Vice Principal, Mar Gregorious College of Law, Thiruvananthapuram	Rs. 5,000/-	Not paid
2.	Sri. Abhilash Gopinath, Govt. Law College, Thrissur	Rs. 5,000/-	Not paid
3.	Dr. Susamma Chandy, Kerala Law Academy, Law College, Thiruvananthapuram	Rs. 5,000/-	Paid
4.	Dr. N. Krishna Kumar, Govt. Law College, Thrissur	Rs. 5,000/-	Paid
5.	Dr. A. Suhruth Kumar (passed away)		Not paid

Accordingly, Memo's (dated 15.12.2021) were sent to examiners and later two examiners viz, Dr. Susamma Chandy & Dr. N. Krishna Kumar had remitted Rs. 5,000/- each towards the penalty.

However, vide U.O.No.M&C.1.2/1952/2020 dated 27.05.2020, previous University Order issued in this regard (U.O.No.M&C 1.2/1900/2019 dated 15.06.2019) was cancelled. As per clause 17-f of the Examination Manual, the fine to be levied is Rs.500/-.

Subsequently, the Standing Committee of Syndicate on Examinations considered the request of the Section to regularize the fine levied from the examiners (ie, Rs. 5,000/- instead of Rs. 500/-), but recommended to impose Rs. 500/- only as the penalty in accordance with the examination manual. And, the meeting of the Syndicate held on 07.07.2022 resolved to approve the said recommendation.

In this context, the Section has requested to refund the excess amount (Rs. 4,500/-) remitted by the two examiners viz, Dr. Susamma Chandy & Dr. N. Krishna Kumar.

Based on the existing U.O for refund (U.O.No.Ad.BII/5622/06/2016 dated 24.06.2016) the refund will be considered, if there is any fault on the part of the University or when fees have been remitted twice for the same purpose and the clause 3 of the existing guidelines of refund states that "any refund that are not specified in the U.O shall be specifically approved by the Vice-Chancellor after considering merit".

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, matter of refund of excess fine of Rs. 4,500/- each remitted by the examiners Dr. Susamma Chandy & Dr. N. Krishna Kumar is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended the following:

- *to refund the excess amount of Rs.4,500/- remitted towards fine to the examiners Dr.Susamma Chandy & Dr. N. Krishna Kumar.*
- *to send memo to Dr. Ramachandran Nair, Vice Principal, Mar Gregorious College of Law, Thiruvananthapuram and Sri. Abhilash Gopinath, Govt. Law College, Thrissur to remit the fine of Rs.500/- on the ground of negligence in valuation of answer books.*

The Committee further recommended the following:

- *to enhance the fine to be imposed on examiners mentioned in Chapter VIII Clause XVII (f) of the Examination Manual from Rs.500/- to Rs.5,000/- and a fine of Rs. 10,000/- to be imposed on the examiner if the same is repeated.*
- *to ascertain the examiner responsible for improper valuation on the basis of the remarks obtained from the Chairmar, BoE/BoS/Subject expert recommended by BoS if 20% or more variation is noted on revaluation.*
- *to issue U.O and modify the Examination Manual accordingly.*

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.16: *Centre for Latin American Studies (CLAS)- Summer School- Honorarium to Mr. Milan Sime Martinic- Wrong transaction of \$ 20,000/- instead of Rs.20,000/- (in US Dollars) done by SBI- Submission from Hon. Director, on the delay occurred in reporting the incident- reg.*

(Ad. DIII)

Dr. Girish Kumar R, Hon. Director, CLAS and Head, Department of Political Science, vide letter dated 27.01.2024, has informed that the CLAS organized two-week summer school from 15th May 2023 to 27th May 2023, which was attended by undergraduate/postgraduate students from affiliated colleges / Departments of the University of Kerala and other Universities. Vide e-mail dated 03.02.2024, it is also informed that a proposal to facilitate the exchange of post graduate students, research scholars and faculty members with the Latin American Countries was approved by the University and the Summer School was a preliminary step to facilitate knowledge dissemination on Latin America and promote student exchange programme. It may be noted that sanction was accorded for implementing the Student Exchange Programme at the International Centre for Latin American Studies with expenditure of Rupees Twenty lakh, and Dr. Girish Kumar R was directed to report all further actions regarding the implementation of Student Exchange Programmes before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research, vide UO.No.Ad. AII.4518/2022/UOK dated

07.06.2022. Subsequently, an amount of Rupees Ten lakh was sanctioned as the first instalment of the Provisional advance to Dr. Girish Kumar R., Director, CLAS, vide UO.No.1144/2023/UOK dated 31.01.2023. The Hon. Director, CLAS, has now stated that, after completion of the programme, CLAS requested SBI Karyavattom branch to remit an amount equivalent to Rs.20,000/-, in US Dollars, from the current Account of the Centre (No.40756059069) to the A/e Consulting group (operated by Mrs. Kathleen Martinic, wife of Mr. Milan Sime Martinic) towards the payment of honorarium to Mr. Milan Sime Martinic, a US citizen, well-known columnist and journalist stationed in Brasilia (Brazil), for delivering four lectures online, as instructed by Mr. Milan Sime Martinic. But SBI, Karyavattom branch made a remittance of USD 20,000 (instead of INR 20,000) to Bank of America (BOA) on 15.06.2023 through their branch at Tejaswini. Technopark, without seeking clarification from the customer or obtaining a cheque. Further, on verifying the Bank Account Statement of CLAS on 02.07.2023, it was noticed that an amount of Rs.16,51,500/- was debited for the above transaction, and immediately a request was made to SBI to reverse the said debit. As SBI failed to recall the amount and settle the issue, on 13.10.2023, the Director, CLAS approached the Banking Ombudsman, RBI, Thiruvananthapuram (RBIO) (online) requesting his intervention to settle the matter. Meanwhile, Mr. Milan Sime Martinic continued to claim that he had reversed the transaction, but CLAS is yet to receive the same.

On the matter, a detailed report was sought from Dr. Girish Kumar R and vide e-mail dated 20.02.2024, he had furnished the same (copy attached). As per the request from the Hon. Director to seek legal advice on the matter, legal opinion was sought from the Learned Standing Counsel, on lodging a complaint along with the Bank at the LEA (as suggested by RBIO) and on the further course of action to be taken in this regard (opinion awaited).

Also, as the matter was of very serious nature, an explanation was sought from the Hon. Director on the delay occurred in reporting the matter to the Registrar (transaction was done on 15.06.2023 and the same was noticed by the department on 02.07.2023, however, the matter was intimated to the office, only on 27.01.2024). In reply, the Hon. Director submitted the following:

1. On verifying the monthly Bank Account Statement of CLAS on 02.07.2023, it was noticed by CLAS that an amount of Rs.16,51,500/- has been debited from its account, and when enquired at the Karyavattom branch, it was revealed that the debit was made from Technopark Branch for making the remittance of USD 20,000 to Bank of America (BOA) instead of INR 20,000. During this period (2nd July to 12th August), the Hon. Director was abroad, in UK for attending the Oxford Summer School; and to Brazil for forging institutional tie-ups with Universities/ Research Institutes in Brazil, for three weeks from July 24th to August 11th 2023.
2. Despite his absence, efforts were made by the Hon. Director during this period to get the money back into the account. After noting the unauthorized debit, the Hon. Director sent an email on 02.07.2023 at 2.40 AM itself (the day he arrived at the UK immigration clearance section) requesting the Karyavattom Branch to get the unauthorized transfer reversed immediately. Telephonic instructions to the staff concerned were also given. On 03.07.2023, a representative of CLAS visited both the Karyavattom and Technopark branches of SBI to apprise them of the gravity of the situation and requested them to immediately intervene to reverse/block/recall the transaction through their correspondent Bank, namely BOA. They did not act immediately despite the requests. The Hon. Director, on several occasions through email requested the Karyavattom branch, to effect the reversal of the forex transaction made and debited from the CLAS account erroneously (12.07.2023, 14.07.2023, 21.07.2023 and 29.09.2023).
3. After arrival from Brazil, several visits were made by him to the Bank, all in vain. Aggrieved by the callous disregard by the Bank to settle the issue, the Hon. Director approached the Banking Ombudsman, RBI, Thiruvananthapuram (RBIO) (online) on 13.10.2023 for a speedy settlement. It is stated that the move prompted the Bank to issue a letter of apology. The Hon. Director also stated that the RBIO proceedings took nearly three months for the completion, and after receiving the minutes of RBI Ombudsman's final proceedings on 23.1.2024, the matter was reported to the University. (Proceedings dated 10.01.2024 & 18.01.2024 are attached for reference).

4. The Hon. Director has submitted that attempts were made to get the money back into the CLAS account by taking consistent, strenuous, and sincere efforts; and no stone was left unturned during this period, with frequent communications sent, several visits to the Bank, proceedings initiated with the Banking Ombudsman. The Hon. Director has remarked that the omission and commissions on his part, if there be any, were not intentional, and may kindly be condoned.

It may also be noted that, earlier, the Hon. Director, has stated that, "As part of the responsibilities as Hon. Director, he was supposed to visit Brazil for three weeks from 24th July 2023 to 11th August 2023, and as the beneficiary Mr. Milan Sime Martinic was stationed in Brasilia, he sent an email to the Bank requesting the Bank to take necessary steps to reverse the entire amount indicating further that 'the amount that is due (INR 20,000) to the beneficiary will be sent separately'. It is further stated that he settled the amount INR 20,000 that was due to Mr. Milan Sime Martinic in person, at Brazil.

As per the orders of the Vice – Chancellor, the Report on the matter and the explanation on the delay occurred in reporting the incident to the University, submitted by Dr. Girish Kumar R, Hon. Director, CLAS, are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, 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 hear Dr. Girish Kumar R, Hon. Director, Centre for Latin American Studies (CLAS) by a sub-committee consisting of Convenors of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance, Staff, Equipment and Buildings, Dr.S.Nazeeb and Sri.R.Rajesh, Members Syndicate, on the matter, and place the report before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

Item No.13.77.17: Institute of Management in Kerala- Permission to collect Alumni membership fee- Request- reg.

(Ad. DI)

The Head, Institute of Management in Kerala (IMK), vide Letter No.IMK/15/2024, dated 06.03.2024, has informed that ever since its inception in 1991, IMK has been running an Alumni Association. The Association has been providing support to the Department in many ways viz. Placement Internship Assistance, Invited Talks etc. But owing to shortage of funds, the Association cannot take up good initiatives requiring money. Presently, IMK is not collecting any amount from its students, as alumni fee. It is also informed that, the Department Council held on 27.02.2024, has recommended to request permission from the University, to collect Rs. 250/- from every outgoing MBA student and Rs.1000/- from every outgoing Research scholar who has been awarded Ph.D., as Alumni membership fee. The HoD has hence requested permission for the same.

As ordered by the Vice - Chancellor, the matter of granting permission to the Head, IMK, to collect Rs. 250/- from every outgoing MBA student and Rs.1000/- from every outgoing research scholar who has been awarded Ph.D, as alumni membership fee, s placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant permission to the Head, IMK, to collect Rs. 500/- (Rupees Five Hundred only) from every outgoing MBA student and Rs.1000/- (Rupees One Thousand only) from every outgoing research scholar who has been awarded Ph.D, as alumni membership fees.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.18: Reversion of officer in compliance with judgement dated 10.10.2023 in WP(C) No. 20170/2023- Recovery made from salary - Submission from Smt. Sindhu George, Deputy Registrar-reg.

(Fin. IV)

In pursuance to the resolution of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.06.2023 (Item No.58.51), the promotion of Sri.D.S Santhosh Kumar, Deputy Registrar, CSS Kariavattom was kept in abeyance, pending enquiry, vide University Order No. Ad.AI/2/31731/2023 dated 12.06.2023. The

Syndicate held on 09.06.2023 had also resolved to promote the next eligible incumbent in the cadre of Deputy Registrar as Joint Registrar. Accordingly Smt. Sindhu George was promoted as Joint Registrar vide U.O No. Ad.AI/5026/2023/UOK dated 12.06.2023.

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in its judgement dated 10/10/2023 in WP(C) No. 20170/2023 ordered to consider the recommendation for promotion of Sri. D.S Santhosh Kumar and promoted him to the post of Joint Registrar by including him above his juniors in the list of persons promoted. Accordingly, in pursuance to the resolution of the Syndicate on 28/11/2023, Sri. D.S Santhosh Kumar was promoted as Joint Registrar notionally w.e.f 12.06.2023 by protecting his seniority vide U.O No. Ad.AI.2/31731/2023 dated 04.12.2023.

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala vide Interim Order in CC(C) No.2666 dated 06/12/2023; observing non compliance of the U.O dated 04.12.2023 with the judgement dated 10.10.2023; ordered to take steps to purge the contempt and pass fresh orders in accordance with the directions contained in the Judgement dated 10/10/2023. U.O No.10055/2023/UOK dated 13.12.2023 was issued granting promotion to Sri.D.S.Santhosh Kumar as Joint Registrar in compliance with the Judgement dated 10.10.2023. Sri D.S. Santhosh Kumar has submitted the request and CTC for the fixation of pay in the post of Joint Registrar indicating the date of assuming charge to the said post as 13.12.2023. The pay in the post of Joint Registrar has been fixed on the basis of the University order and Judgement dated 10.10.2023 in WP(C) No. 20170/2023 and regularized the pay in order to avoid further litigation.

Finance sought clarification from the Administration on the following:

1. Whether the monetary benefit of the fixation of pay in the post of Joint Registrar in r/o Sri D.S.Santhosh Kumar is w.e.f 12.06.2023 or with effect from the date of assuming charge to the said post as per the CTC (i.e.13.12.2023).
2. As Smt. Sindhu George was reverted to the post of Deputy Registrar w.e.f 12.06.2023 as per the order, the pay given to her in the post of Joint Registrar w.e.f 12.06.2023 to 12.12.2023 is to be recovered or not.

Since administration had remarked that the issue was of complex nature, a combined meeting of officials of Finance and Administration was convened, wherein it was recommended to obtain legal opinion of the Standing Counsel on the matters detailed as (1) and (2) above.

The Standing Counsel vide letter no. TA/SC-LO-2/2024 dated 19.01.2024, opined that "the denial of promotion to the petitioner and consequent erroneous promotion granted to Smt. Sindhu George are held to be wrong in the captioned judgement and in compliance with the judgement both have to be corrected. In other words Sri.D.S Santhosh Kumar has to be given the benefits attached to the post of Joint Registrar w.e.f 12.06.2023 and any amount paid in excess of her legally entitled claim as a Deputy Registrar has to be recovered from Smt.Sindhu George. For the aforesaid reasons the request made in the submission dated 14.12.2023 of Smt. Sindhu George cannot sustain in the eye of law and can only be rejected. The observation in the captioned letter that "As the disbursement of monetary benefit of the fixation of pay in the post of Joint Registrar w.e.f 12.06.2023 to Sri. D.S Santhosh Kumar and recovery of the pay given to Smt. Sindhu George in the post of Joint Registrar with effect from 12.06.2023 to 12.12.2023 are complex procedures requiring specific Administrative sanction" cannot be canvassed as a valid reason for not completing the steps to be taken for the implementation of the Judgement. In the view of the, above both the disbursement of the monetary benefit to Sri.D.S Santhosh Kumar and recovery of amounts paid erroneously from Smt. Sindhu George have to be implemented without delay".

On the basis of the legal opinion tendered by the Standing Counsel vide letter no. TA/SC-LO-2/2024 dated 19.01.2024, that; Sri. D.S. Santhosh Kumar has to be given the benefits attached to the post of Joint Registrar w.e.f 12.06.2023 and any amount paid in excess for her legally entitled claim as a Deputy registrar has to be recovered from Smt. Sindhu George and that the requests made in the submission dated 14.12.2023 cannot sustain in the eye of law and can only be rejected, the file was forwarded by the Administration to Finance for further action in this regard. It may also be noted that as per Article 60 of Kerala Financial Code "*Every Government servant who draws bills for pay and allowances or contingent expenses is primarily responsible for the correctness of the amount for which each bill is drawn. If any amount is drawn in excess of what is due, the drawing officer, will be required to make good the excess amount so drawn. If the excess amount cannot for any reason be recovered from the drawing officer, the Government servant, if any, who countersigned the bill will be liable to make good any loss arising from culpable negligence on his part, and the Treasury officer*

who passed it will similarly liable to make good any loss arising from culpable negligence on his part".

On the basis of all the above, Finance proceeded to regulate the pay of the officers concerned. Accordingly, the pay of Sri. D.S Santhosh Kumar was fixed in the scale of Joint Registrar w.e.f 12.06.2023 and that of Smt. Sindhu George was fixed in the Deputy Registrar's scale. The arrear salary due to D S Santhosh Kumar in the post of Joint Registrar w.e.f. 12.06.2023 has been disbursed to him and the excess salary drawn by Smt. Sindhu George is being recovered in four (4) equal installments to avoid any hardship.

Smt. Sindhu George in her submission dated 01.02.2024 has requested to review the matter stating that the action of the University on retrospectively effecting the reversion with effect from 12.06.2023 was not taken with the knowledge of the Syndicate. The irregular deductions has been made without any prior notice and against the rules in force and the natural justice. Hence, she has requested that necessary directions may be issued to credit the amount deducted from her salary to her account at the earliest.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding the recovery made from the salary of Smt. Sindhu George w.e.f 12/06/23 in the wake of her reversion to the post of Deputy Registrar vide U.O No.10055/2023/UOK dated 13.12.2023, issued in compliance with the judgement dated 10.10.2023 in WP(C) No.20170/2023 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to seek clarification from the Government on the matter.

Resolution of the Syndicate
RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.19: **ശ്രീ.അരുൺശങ്കർആർ, സീനിയർ ഗ്രേഡ് അസിസ്റ്റന്റ്, ഓഡിറ്റിഭാഗം - മെഡിക്കൽ റീ ഇന്വ്സ്റ്റ്മെന്റ് നൽകുന്ന സംബന്ധിച്ച് :-**

(Ad. BIII)

ശ്രീ.അരുൺശങ്കർആർ., സീനിയർഗ്രേഡ് അസിസ്റ്റന്റ്, ഓഡിറ്റിഭാഗം തന്റെ ഭാര്യ ശ്രീമതി.ധന്യ.ടി.യുടെ ഐവിഎഫ് ചികിത്സയുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട് 12.08.2023 മുതൽ 25.10.2023 വരെ KJK Hospital Pvt. Ltd ആശുപത്രിയിൽ ചിലവായതുക റീ ഇന്വ്സ്റ്റ്മെന്റ് അനുവദിക്കുന്നതിനായി അപേക്ഷ സമർപ്പിച്ചിരുന്നു.

പ്രസ്തുത റീ ഇന്വ്സ്റ്റ്മെന്റ് അപേക്ഷ അനുവദിക്കാമോ എന്നുള്ളതിന് ആരോഗ്യവകുപ്പ് ഡയറക്ടറുടെ കാര്യലയത്തിൽ സൂഷ് ടീകരണം ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടിരുന്നു. ആരോഗ്യവകുപ്പ് ഡയറക്ടറുടെ കാര്യലയത്തിൽ നിന്നും അയച്ചുകത്ത് No.MH3/2258/2024/DHS dated 06.03.2024ൽ പ്രതിപാദിക്കുന്നത് KGSMA റൂൾ 1960 പ്രകാരം ഐവിഎഫ് ചികിത്സക്ക് KJK ആശുപത്രി, നാലാം ചിറ അപ്പുവ്വസ്റ്റിയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെട്ട ആശുപത്രി ആണെന്നും, G2/330/2023/H&FWD dated 17.04.2023 പ്രകാരം മെഡിസിസിൽ എംപാനൽ ചെയ്യാത്ത ആശുപത്രികളിലെ ചികിത്സയ്ക്കും മെഡിസിസിൽ എംപാനൽ ചെയ്ത ആശുപത്രികളിലെ പദ്ധതിയിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടുത്താതെ ചികിത്സ പ്രക്രിയകൾക്കും മെഡിക്കൽ റീ ഇന്വ്സ്റ്റ്മെന്റ് /IFMA ആനുകൂല്യം നൽകുന്നതിൽ ഇനിയൊരു ഉത്തരവ് ഉണ്ടാകുന്നതുവരെ മാനദണ്ഡങ്ങൾക്കിടയമായി നിലവിലുള്ള രീതി തുടരാവുന്നതാണെന്നും അറിയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്.

23.06.2022ലെ സ.ഉ.(പി)70/2022/ധന. ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം പ്രസിദ്ധീകരിച്ച മെഡിസൈൻസിലിൽ പരാമർശിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ഐ.പി/ ഡേ കെയർ ചികിത്സകൾക്കായി സെപ്പറേറ്റായിട്ടുള്ള പരിരക്ഷ ലഭിക്കുന്ന തെന്നും ഒ.പി.ചികിത്സയ്ക്കുള്ള പരിരക്ഷ മെഡിസൈൻസിലിൽ ഉൾപ്പെടാത്തതിനാൽ KGSMA rule 1960 നവീകരണമായി ഒ.പി.ചികിത്സയ്ക്കുള്ള മെഡിക്കൽ റീ ഇന്വ്സ്റ്റ്മെന്റ് അപേക്ഷകളും പരിഗണിക്കാവുന്ന താണെന്നും അറിയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്.

നിലവിലെ സർക്കാർ ഉത്തരവ് അനുസരിച്ച സർക്കാർ ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് 1.5 ലക്ഷം വരെ ഒറ്റതവണയായും, 3 ലക്ഷം വരെ സർവീസിലാലട്ടം മുഴുവനായും ഐവിഎഫ് ചികിത്സക്ക് റീ ഇന്വ്സ്റ്റ്മെന്റ് അനുവദിക്കാവുന്ന താണെന്നും അറിയിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്.

ആയതുപ്രകാരം സർവകലാശാലയിലെ അസിസ്റ്റന്റായ ശ്രീ.അരുൺശങ്കർആർ. തന്റെ ഭാര്യ ശ്രീമതി.ധന്യ.ടി.യുടെ ഐവിഎഫ് ചികിത്സയുമായി ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട് 12.08.2023 മുതൽ 25.10.2023 വരെ KJK Hospital Pvt. Ltd ആശുപത്രിയിൽ ചിലവായ ആകെ തുകയായ (രണ്ടുലക്ഷത്തി പത്തൊൻപതിനായിരത്തി എണ്ണൂറ്റി

രണ്ടു മാത്രം) നിന്നും നിലവിലെ സർക്കാർ ഉത്തരവ് അനുസരിച്ചു സർക്കാർ ജീവനക്കാർക്ക് ഒറ്റതവണയായി അനുവദിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന 1.5 ലക്ഷം രൂപയുടെ മെഡിക്കൽ റീഇന്വെസ്റ്റ്മെന്റിനു അർഹനാണ്. ധനകാര്യ സമിതിയിൽ നിന്നുള്ള Endt.fos.519/Finance/dtd 06.05.2024 എന്ന എൻഡോഴ്സ്മെന്റ് പ്രകാരം പ്രസ്തുത തുക നൽകുന്നതിന് അനുമതി നൽകിയിട്ടുണ്ട്.

വൈസ് ചാൻസലറുടെ ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം ശ്രീ.അരുൺശങ്കർആർ. നു മെഡിക്കൽ റീഇന്വെസ്റ്റ്മെന്റ് ഇനത്തിൽ Rs.1,50,000/- (ഒന്നരലക്ഷം രൂപമാത്രം) രൂപ അനുവദിക്കുന്നതിനായി സിന്റിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ ധനകാര്യസ്ഥിരം സമിതിയുടെ പരിഗണനയ്ക്കായി സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to place the matter in the next Committee along with supporting documents.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to entrust the Registrar to verify all the supporting documents and take necessary action accordingly.

Item No.13.77.20: Mahatma Ayyankali Chair - Proposal for strengthening the Mahatma Ayyankali Chair functioning in the Department of History - reg.
(Ac. E III)

Mahatma Ayyankali Chair was instituted in the University of Kerala as per the Syndicate resolution in 19.03.2008 with a Corpus Fund of Rs.25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakh Only) and attached to the Department of History, Kariavattom with the Head of the Department of History, Kariavattom as the Honorary Director, vide UO No.Ac.E.IV/618/2007 dated 30/03/2008.

Mahatma Ayyankali Chair is conceived as an independent institution for Advanced Studies and Research on marginalized section of the society. It is structured as a platform for convergence of interdisciplinary research and knowledge sharing through collaboration and exchange of resources. It functions with noble aims and objectives, such as research on thrust areas, organizing national and international conclaves, debates, workshops, lectures, and internships. Additionally, it collaborates with various academic institutions, fosters the development of research activities, and brings in the best researchers from afar to share academic outputs with student and researchers.

An amount of Rs.33,39,262/- (Rupees Thirty Three Lakh Thirty Nine Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Two Only) is the currently available interest in r/o Mahatma Ayyankali Chair which can be utilised for organising various programmes under the Chair. No programmes were organised under the Chair for the past few years.

With a view to revive the Chair, the available interest amount has been utilized for conducting various programmes and activities as per the proposal submitted by Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair as detailed below:

1. An amount of Rs.5,58,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Only) has been sanctioned to the Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair as two equal instalments for setting up Library and Reading room for study and research on marginalized under Mahatma Ayyankali Chair in the Dept. of History, UoK, Kariavattom, vide U.O.No. 820/2024/UOK dated 27.01.2024.
2. An amount of Rs.3,35,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Thirty Thousand Only) has been sanctioned to the Hon. Director for conducting a Five Day National Workshop on Research Methodology in Social Science, vide U.O.No.1566/2024/UOK dated 19.02.2024.
3. An amount of Rs.5,60,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Sixty Thousand Only) has been released to Dr. Shaji A as final payment towards the conduct of Three Day National Seminar on 'Indian Society, Marginalised Sections and Social Justice: Experiences and Challenges', vide U.O. No.Ac.EIII.1/40406/2023 dated 01.01.2024.

The Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair, Department of History, University of Kerala has submitted a proposal for strengthening the Mahatma Ayyankali Chair through four steps as follows:-

1. Procurement of primary sources related to Mahatma Ayyankali and other reformers in Kerala.
2. Enriching Ayyankali Chair with Invited Lectures by resource persons in affiliated colleges and public places connected with Mahatma Ayyankali.
3. Enriching Ayyankali Chair by publishing edited works on marginalised sections in Kerala.
4. Strengthening Ayyankali Chair by encouraging research culture.

ESTIMATED PERIOD

The estimated period of activities will be three years from the date of release of fund as provisional advance.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

The expected outcomes of the proposal are:

1. Develop Ayyankali Chair as a space useful for the future generation of researchers and students.
2. Organise National and International Conclaves/ Conferences/ Debates/ Distinguished lectures/ Workshops/ Internships bring together academics and representatives from civil society
3. Collaborations with various academic institutions within the state, nation and outside.
4. Focus on the studies and research on marginalized sections.
5. Wider publicity to the cause of the marginalized sections in the society and the ideals of Mahatma Ayyankali.
6. Sharing the academic outputs to the students and researchers for their advancement in education and career.

Estimated Expenditure			
Sl.No.	Major Heads	Sub Heads	Amount
1	Procuring Sources (Primary, Secondary and Oral) National Archives, New Delhi, Tamil Nadu Archives, Egmore; Kerala State Archives, Nalanda; Regional archives Ernakulam and Kozhikode, various Libraries, Oral Sources	Salary of Research Associate @ Rs.20000/- p.m for 2 years	4,80,000.00
		Reprographic Charges	3,00,000.00
		TA & DA for Research Associate	3,00,000.00
2	Invited Lectures	TA for Resource persons	50,000.00
		Honorarium for Resource Persons	1,00,000.00
3	Invited Lectures in selected colleges and places	TA for Resource persons	50,000.00
		Honorarium for Resource Persons	50,000.00
4	Internship Allowance for 2 students @ Rs.1000 p.m. for 2 months (2023-24)	Internship Allowance	40,000.00
5	Contingency Expenses	Contingency Expenses	10,000.00
	Total		13,80,000.00
	(Rupees Thirteen Lakh Eighty Thousand Only)		

The proposal submitted by Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair, University of Kerala for strengthening of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair inclusive of the broad details of estimated expenditure was placed before the meeting of Standing committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 20.12.2023 and it was recommended to invite Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair to the Committee for a detailed discussion on the proposal submitted by him. The 7th meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023 considered the proposal vide Item No. 07.84.15 and approved the same.

The standing committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 30.04.2024 considered the matter and the committee has discussed the proposal with Dr. Shaji A and recommended to place a revised proposal before the Syndicate concerned. Consequently, the 10th meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.05.2024, vide item no.10.73.21, considered the revised proposal and resolved that the item be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and also invite Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair, University of Kerala in the said meeting.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, **the revised proposal submitted by Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair, University of Kerala for strengthening of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair is placed before the meeting of Standing committee of the Syndicate on Finance for a detailed discussion with Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair, University of Kerala and appropriate recommendation.**

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to approve the revised proposal submitted by Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair, University of Kerala for strengthening of Mahatma Ayyankali Chair with an estimated expenditure of Rs. 13,80,000/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Eighty Thousand only) as detailed below:

Sl. No.	Major Heads	Sub Heads	Amount (in Rs.)
1	Procuring Sources (Primary, Secondary and Oral) National Archives, New Delhi, Tamil Nadu Archives, Egmore; Kerala State Archives, Nalanda; Regional archives Ernakulam and Kozhikode, various Libraries, Oral Sources	Salary of Research Associate @ Rs.20000/- p.m for 2 years	4,80,000.00
		Reprographic Charges	3,00,000.00
		TA & DA for Research Associate	3,00,000.00
2	Invited Lectures	TA for Resource persons	50,000.00
		Honorarium for Resource Persons	1,00,000.00
3	Invited Lectures in selected colleges and places	TA for Resource persons	50,000.00
		Honorarium for Resource Persons	50,000.00
4	Internship Allowance for 2 students @ Rs.10000/- p.m. for 2months (2023-24)	Internship Allowance	40,000.00
5	Contingency Expenses	Contingency Expenses	10,000.00
	Total		13,80,000.00

The Committee further recommended to meet the expenditure from the interest accrued on fixed deposit maintained under the head Ayyankali Chair.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

ItemNo.13.77.21: **Dr. V K Sukumaran Nayar Chair for Parliamentary Affairs- Conduct of Two Day National Seminar on "Electoral Democracy in India: Trajectories, Challenges and Prospects" in Department of Political Science- sanction of fund- reg.**

(Ac. EIII)

'Dr. V.K Sukumaran Nayar Chair for Parliamentary Affairs' was instituted in the University of Kerala vide, U.O. No.Ac.EIV/2/6620/2004 dated 17.10.2006 with a corpus amount of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs Only). It is attached to the Department of Political Science, University of Kerala, Kariavattom and has appointed an Hon. Director to oversee various activities under the Chair. The Chair has an objective to provide opportunities to young men and women to gain expertise in the filed of Parliamentary Affairs.

Dr. Nithya N R, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science, Kariavattom was appointed as the Hon. Director of V.K Sukumaran Nayar Chair for Parliamentary Affairs vide U.O. No.1265/2024/UOK dated 09.02.2024.

The available balance interest that can be utilized for conducting various activities under Dr.V.K Sukumaran Nayar Chair for Parliamentary Affairs as on 19.06.2024 is Rs.3,84,697/- (Rupees Three Lakh Eighty Four Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety Seven Only).

The Hon. Director of the Chair has submitted a proposal to organize a two-day national seminar on "Electoral Democracy in India: Trajectories, Challenges and Prospects" proposed to be held in the month of August 2024 in hybrid mode with an objective of exploring the evolution, current trends and challenges faced by electoral democracy in India and aims at advancing the understanding and discourse on parliamentary affairs and democratic processes. She has also submitted the anticipatory expenditure statement for the conduct of the programme as detailed below:

Sl. No.	Expenditure Head	Unit Cost (Rs.)	(In Rs.)
1	Travel Outside the state Resource persons and Participants	--	50000
2	Honorarium	3000/- Per session	30000
3	Stay Costs Outstation Resource Persons Participants	--	20000
4	Food Charges (Rs.150/-per day, per person)	--	45000
5	Course Material	--	5000
6	Contingency (including paper, stationery photocopying, Advertisement costs etc.)	--	15000
7	Secretarial Assistance	--	5000
	TOTAL		1,70,000/-
	(One Lakh and Seventy Thousand Only)		

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the proposal submitted by Dr.Nithya NR, Hon. Director of Dr.V K Sukumaran Nayar Chair for Parliamentary Affairs (appended) for conducting a two day national seminar among with the anticipated expenditure statement for Rs.1,70,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Thousand Only) is placed before the meeting of Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate along with a revised proposal from Dr.Nithya N. R., Hon. Director of Dr. V K Sukumaran Nayar Chair for Parliamentary Affairs for conducting two day national seminar, by limiting the expenditure to Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only).

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.22: *Inter University Centre for Malayalam Language (IUCML)-Budget Speech 2021-22- Publication of the summary of M.Phil and Ph.D degrees-request for the extension of tenure upto March 2025-considering –reg*

(Pl. A)

An amount of Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three lakh only) and Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh only) had been released as provisional advance to Dr.Sheeba M Kurian, Director, Inter University Centre for Malayalam Language (IUCML) towards the publication of the summary of M Phil and Ph.Ddegrees under the Budget Speech for the financial year 2021-22 and 2022-23 vide U.O dated 01.01.2022 and 03.02.2023 respectively.

The proposal intends for making available the abstracts of M Phil, Ph.D thesis in various faculties to the public in Malayalam Language. Further the selected abstracts from each areas will be published in IUCML e-journal.

Sl. No	Components	Amount (Rs.)
1.	Salary for Computer Assistant	120000/-
2.	Online Article Submitting Website	80000/-
3.	Publishing E book & printed book (50 nos)	100000 /-
	Total amount	Rs. 3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh only)
Sl. No	Details of estimated expenditure	Amount (Rs.)
1.	Salary for Computer Assistant	40000/-
2.	Publishing E book & printed book (50 nos)	50000/-
3.	Miscellaneous	10000/-
	TOTAL	Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One lakh only)

The tenure of the project (amount Rs. 3 lakhs and Rs. 1 lakh) has been extended upto March 2024 vide U.O dated 07.03.2024 on the request of Director, IUCML dtd 13.10.2023 as the website for the online article submission and the template construction for the e-journal were being done at the Kerala University Computer Centre (KUCC). The released amount can be expended for e-journal publishing, printing etc only if the software work is completed from KUCC. Further permission was granted to Director, IUCML for engaging the services of a person/institution for completing the works of proof reading, editing, printing etc related to the uploading of E-journal and for issuing the circular

to various Departments/Research Centres/Dailies intimating the decision of the IUCML Council held on 22.11.2022 that the Research Scholars can upload their research findings in the IUCML website.

Now, the Director, IUCML vide letter dated 11.03.2024 (**Appendix I**) has requested a further extension of the above project up to March 2025 so as to complete the above activities.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the request submitted by Dr. Sheeba M Kurian, Hon. Director, IUCML for extending the tenure of the project "Publication of the summary of M.Phil and Ph.D degrees" upto March 2025, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to direct Dr. Sheeba M Kurian, Hon. Director, IUCML to submit a detailed project plan for completing the project within March 2025.

The Committee further recommended to extend the tenure of the project "Publication of the summary of M.Phil and Ph.D degrees" upto March 2025.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.23: *Inter University Centre for Malayalam Language (IUCML)- Implementation of the activities in the IUCML for the year 2021-22- justification for the delay in submitting bills/ vouchers amounting Rs.6,34,800/- sanctioned as provisional advance- reg:*

(Pl. A)

The Inter University Centre for Malayalam Language (IUCML) was instituted at the Department of Malayalam under the scheme Innovative Programme/New Developmental Programmes vide U.O no: AcD/1/80165/2014 dated 26/03/2014. A budget provision of Rs.98,80,500/- (Rupees Ninety eight lakh Eighty thousand and Five hundred only) was allocated under Plan funds for instituting IUCML (recommendation of Standing Committee on Planning, Development and Administrative Reforms dated 07/12/2013 and approved by Syndicate held on 18/12/2013).

An amount of Rs. 6,34,800/- (Rupees Six lakh Thirty Four thousand and Eight hundred only) was released as provisional advance to Dr. Sheeba M Kurian, Hon. Director, Inter University Centre for Malayalam Language (IUCML) towards the activities in the IUCML for the year 2021-22 vide U.O no:7551/2021/UOK dated 28.12.2021. The Hon. Director vide letter dtd 24.11.2023 has furnished the original bills/vouchers amounting to Rs.4,88,590/- (Rupees Four lakh Eighty Eight thousand Five hundred and Ninety only) along with statement of expenditure, chalan receipt for the refund of unspent balance Rs.1,46,210/- (Rupees One lakh Forty Six thousand Two hundred and Ten only) and related documents for regularising the provisional advance.

Subsequent to the verification of bills and vouchers, the Audit Wing of University sought clarification for the delay in submitting the documents as the project has been completed by February 2023, also enquired to check whether any interest accrued has been credited to KUF.

The Hon. Director, IUCML vide letters dated 02.02.2024 and 27.02.2024 (*Appendix I*) furnished the justification for the delay occurred and interest earned;

- Since the establishment of IUCML on 2014, no posts were sanctioned for the Centre at that time. Currently, the office works pertaining to the Centre were being performed by the Office Staff of the Department of Malayalam, who are already engaged with a lot of other works relating to the academic and administrative matters of the Department. The lack of workforce in the Centre is undoubtedly causing many difficulties in the time bound execution of many tasks. The matter has not been reported yet and assured that steps will be taken immediately to report the shortage of workforce to the University. Hon Director requested to condone the delay in submitting bills/ vouchers.
- In the case of interest earned, the Hon. Director pointed out that, the amount sanctioned was credited to the common PD account (on 12.02.2022) of the centre, where other amounts Rs.3 lakhs and Rs.1 lakh (Universtiy Budget Speech- Publication of summary of M.Phil and Ph,D Thesis) were got credited in the same account. A total of **Rs. 29,144/-** (Rupees Twenty Nine

thousand One hundred and Forty Four only) had been credited as quarterly interest for the period from March 2022 to September 2023, for the total amount maintained in the PD account at that time. Further stated that, since the amount was being regularly withdrawn from the PD account from March 2022 to Feb 2023, it was difficult to assess the interest accrued for the amount credited towards implementing the activities of IUCML for the year 2021-22.

The Ad. A1 section has stated that, there is no sanctioned workforce of administrative staffs in IUCML and no request had been received requesting administrative staff at Department of Malayalam. The Director, IUCML had already assured in the letter that, steps will be taken immediately to report the shortage of workforce.

On the basis of the remarks from Ad.A1 section, it is clear that, the delay occurred in submitting the bills/vouchers due to the lack of sufficient workforce. Hence, the request from Hon. Director, IUCML for condoning the delay occurred may be considered and accord sanction to take necessary steps for regularising the provisional advance of Rs. 6,34,800/- (Rupees Six lakh Thirty Four Thousand and Eight Hundred only).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the clarification for the delay furnished by Dr. Sheeba M Kurian, Hon. Director, IUCML is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to hear Dr. Sheeba M Kurian, Hon. Director, IUCML, by this Committee.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.24: Kerala University Business Innovation and Incubation Centre (KUBIIC)-regularisation of provisional advance Rs.20 lakhs- furnishing the clarification submitted by Dr. Manoj Changat, then Director, KUBIIC for the delay in remittance of unspent balance to KUF- reg:-

(Pl. A)

Kerala University Business Innovation and Incubation Centre (KUBIIC) is an Incubation Centre under University of Kerala, *formerly known as Industry Incubation Centre and KU-TBSC*, through this Researchers, Students and recent Alumni of the University can be encouraged to launch student startups and thus entrepreneurship with faculty as mentors, in the Campus with support from the University.

An amount of Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty lakh only) was envisaged for the activities of KUBIIC in the University Budget Speech 2019-2020.

However, it is to be noted that, the amount of Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty lakh only) was initially released to Dr. ABijukumar, then Director, KUBIIC as provisional advance vide U.O no: AcD/1/IC-PP/2019 dated 03.01.2020 and was transferred to Dr. Manoj Changat only in 2022 vide U.O no: 2426/2022/UOK dated 30.03.2022. Sanction was also accorded to utilise the amount sanctioned of Rs.20 lakhs, for the estimate submitted by the University Engineer amounting **Rs.19,42,801/-** (Rupees Nineteen Lakh Forty Two Thousand Eight Hundred and One only) for the Restructuring of Centre of KUBIIC vide U.O no: Pl.A/KU-TBSC/Restructuring Centre/2020 dated 30.06.2021.

After the utilisation of the amount, Dr. Manoj Changat has submitted original bills and vouchers amounting to Rs.16,68,741/- (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty One only) along with statement of expenditure, passed for payment certification and the balance amount of Rs.2,74,060/- (Rupees Two Lakh Seventy Four Thousand and Sixty only) and Rs.57,199/- (Rupees Fifty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Nine only) were remitted to the KUF vide chalan number 23789998 dated 27.09.2023 and Chalan receipt no:23909102 dated 31.01.2024 respectively. The credits have been verified by the Assistant Registrar, Cash Counter, Kariavattom.

The Audit Wing after perusing the bills and vouchers had sought clarification as to whether the interest accrued on the provisional payment of Rs.20 lakhs has been refunded to KUF and the reason for the delay in refunding the unspent balance immediately after completion of work. However

the amount was transferred to Dr. Manoj Changat only in 2022 vide U.O dated 30.03.2022. Further in reply to the query of Audit, Dr. Manoj Changat has clarified that

1. the interest accrued in the account of KUBIIC till date of Rs.1,60,149/- (Rupees One Lakh Sixty Thousand One Hundred and Forty Nine only) had been credited to KUF and credit verification report submitted. The interest accrued for Rs.20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh only) alone cannot be calculated.
2. the unspent balance of Rs.57,199/- (Rupees Fifty Seven Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Nine only) was refunded at the time of regularisation of bills/vouchers. The unspent balance was kept in the account of KUBIIC itself, without being utilised for any other purpose.

Dr. Manoj Changat, then Director, KUBIIC requested to consider the clarification for the delayed remittance of unspent balance to KUF and condone him to facilitate the regularisation of advance sanctioned.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the clarification submitted by Dr. Manoj Changat (*Appendix I*) for the delayed remittance of unspent balance to KUF is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to condone the delay occurred from the part Dr. Manoj Changat, the then Director, KUBIIC in refunding the unspent balance of provisional advance immediately after the completion of project.

The Committee further recommended to regularize the provisional advance of Rs.20,00,000/- sanctioned to Dr. Manoj Changat, the then Director, KUBIIC vide U.O no.2426/2022/UOK dated 30.03.2022 for the Restructuring of Centre of KUBIIC vide U.O no: PL.A/KU-TBSC/ Restructuring Centre/2020 dated 30.06.2021.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.25: *Inter University Centre for Genomics and Gene Technology (IUCGGT)- State Plan Grant- clarification furnished by Dr.R.Rajalakshmi, Hon. Director, IUCGGT for non-refunding the interest earned in the PD account & the regularisation of Rs.50 lakhs released to Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair, former Hon. Director, IUCGGT under SPG 2018-19 and Utilisation of interest earned -considering-reg:-*

(Pl. A)

An amount of Rs.50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty lakh only) was released to Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair, former Hon. Director, IUCGGT towards the implementation of the project titled 'Molecular Investigation of Neurodegenerative disease: Involvement of MicroRNA and SiRNA in the regulation of the disease' vide U.O no: PL.A1/IUCGGT/3903/18 dated 27.02.2019. Further the fund allocated to man power of Rs.15 lakhs was re-appropriated to the head 'minor equipment' vide U.O no: 822/2023/UOK dated 24.01.2023.

After the utilisation, Dr.R.Rajalakshmi, present Hon. Director, IUCGGT has submitted Voucher Verification Report of Deputy Registrar, Campus Administration, Kariavattom, statement of expenditure etc for the regularisation of the aforementioned amount. The Finance section after the verification of documents has sought to furnish the reason for not refunding the interest earned in the PD account and also enquired if any balance of plan fund available in the PSTSB account and the reason for not remitting the same to the PSTSB account. The Finance Officer has directed that, it requires prior approval for the utilisation of interest.

The present Hon. Director, IUCGGT vide letter dated 09.04.2024 (**Appendix I**) has stated that:

- the calculation of bank interest was impossible as the plan and non-plan funds were credited in the single PD account of IUCGGT. The Audit team were not insisted them to refund the bank interest to KUF as it is an ongoing process.
- They set aside the accrued bank interest as a seed money for the smooth running of the Centre and they were compelled to utilise the interest amount owing to the delay in getting the fund, maintenance of highly sophisticated equipment or stringency of fund and replaced it soon

after getting the fund. For the past two years, they were not receiving any fund and then also they were **refunded the balance amount of plan fund to Plan Special Treasury Savings Bank (PSTSB) and not refunded the Bank Interest as it is not purely from plan fund.**

- They are trying to get a special order from the University to retain the Bank Interest in IUCGGT Kariavattom itself as before.
- Further, the fund allocated for the above Innovative project got re-appropriated on 24.01.2023 vide order number: 822/2023/UOK and related purchases were committed immediately on getting the order. **Hence, there exist no unspent balance in the Innovative project to refund to the PSTSB account on 31.03.2023.**

With all these above facts, the Hon. Director, IUCGGT has remarked that, **they were not in a position to refund the bank interest** which was not exclusively for plan fund. Further requested to accord sanction for opening new accounts while allocating funds for any Innovative projects for the Centre.

Hence, requested for according sanction for the regularisation of provisional advance amounting to Rs.50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakh only) released to Dr.A.Jayakumaran Nair, former Hon. Director, IUCGGT vide U.O dated 27.02.2019, subject to the acceptance of the clarification furnished by the present Director, IUCGGT stating that the reason for not refunding the interest as the entire funds received by IUCGGT was credited to the same PD account, which was not exclusively for plan fund & sanction for the utilisation of interest earned based on the remarks of Finance Officer and the request of Hon. Director, IUCGGT.

Hence, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the clarification submitted by Dr.R.Rajalakshmi, Hon. Director, IUCGGT is submitted before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to direct Dr. R. Rajalakshmi, Hon. Director, IUCGGT to refund the interest received in the PD account maintained by the Centre for the period from 2019 to till date, to KUF, subject to which the provisional advance sanctioned vide U.O no: PL.A1/IUCGGT/3903/18 dated 27.02.2019, be regularized.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.26: Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre – Regularisation of first instalment of Provisional Payment sanctioned for the establishment of the Centre- Reg.

- Ref:
1. Letter dated 30/09/2023 from Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, MAISRC
 2. Letter dated 04/12/2023 from Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, MAISRC
 3. Letter dated 03/06/2024 from Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, MAISRC

(Ac.D)

Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, MAISRC, vide paper read as (1) above, has submitted the bills and vouchers for regularisation of the first instalment of Provisional Advance amounting to Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Only) sanctioned for the establishment of the Centre as per U.O.No.Ac D/1/80/2023 dated 28.04.2023.

Bills and Vouchers for an amount of Rs.5,01,240/- (Rupees Five Lakh One Thousand Two Hundred and Forty Only) have been verified by Audit and has sought attendance statement of participants towards all programmes. It may be noted that, for the conduct of seminars and other programmes, 20% of the sanctioned amount is allotted towards expenditure for food and refreshments. On verification, it is found that an amount of Rs.2,08,800/- (Rupees Two Lakh Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Only) has been expended towards food and refreshments, which is more than 20% of the sanctioned amount.

Dr.Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre, vide paper read as (2) above, has submitted the attendance statement of participants towards all programmes and clarified that he is unaware of the fact that only 20 percent of sanctioned amount could be utilized for food and refreshment. The Hon. Director has also clarified that, even though, it is quite difficult to limit the amount to 20 percent of the sanctioned amount for food and refreshment, he will manage the expenses in that way in the future programmes.

The Audit VI has remarked for obtaining administrative sanction for admitting the clarification by the Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre. Hence the file is submitted for orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to condone the action of the Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre, for having been expended an amount of Rs.1,08,800/- (Rupees One Lakh Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Only) in additional to the permissible limit of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only) as per the existing rules due to oversight and to admit the clarification submitted by the Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre, for Audit of the bills and vouchers in order to regularise the provisional payment of Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Only) sanctioned vide U.O.No.Ac D/1/80/2023 dated 28/04/2023.

The Syndicate, held on 15.02.2024, vide Item No.08.23.02, considered the matter of obtaining administrative sanction to condone the action of the Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre, for having been expended an amount of Rs.1,08,800/- (Rupees One Lakh Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Only) in additional to the permissible limit of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only) as per the existing rules due to oversight and for admitting the clarification submitted by the Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre in order to regularise the provisional payment amounting to Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Only) sanctioned vide U.O.No.Ac D/1/80/2023 dated 28/04/2023 and resolved to invite Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre in the next Committee of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, as per the recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 18/01/2024. The matter is intimated to the Hon. Director accordingly.

The Syndicate, held on 09.05.2024, vide Item No.10.73.16, considered the matter and resolved to seek justification report from Dr. Shaji A, Hon. Director, MAISRC, University of Kerala regarding the excess amount spent towards food and refreshment and place the same before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance. Accordingly, a letter has been forwarded to the Director, MAISRC, for submitting justification report regarding the excess amount spent towards food and refreshment. Director, MAISRC, vide reference cited above has submitted justification report on the matter stated above (The justification report is appended herewith).

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the matter of condoning the action of Dr.Shaji A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre, for having been expended an amount of Rs.1,08,800/- (Rupees One Lakh Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Only) in additional to the permissible limit of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only) by considering the justification report submitted by the Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre, in order to regularise the provisional payment sanctioned vide U.O dated 28/04/2023 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to condone the action of Dr.Shaji.A, Hon. Director, Mahatma Ayyankali International Study & Research Centre for expending an amount of Rs. 1,08,800/- (Rupees One Lakh Eight Thousand Eight Hundred only) towards food and refreshments, in additional to the permissible limit of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only), by accepting the justification report submitted by the Hon. Director and to regularise the provisional payment sanctioned vide U.O dated 28/04/2023.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.27: Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous)- Request for waiving the fine imposed to the Institution by the University- reg

Ref: Letter No.538/MIC/2024 dated 26.06.2024 from the Principal Mar Ivanios College (Ac.D)

The Syndicate, held on 09.02.2023, vide item no. 51.07.01 considered the hearing of the principal of Mar Ivanios College on the matter regarding excess admission made to various UG programmes during the Academic Year 2019-20 and starting of new programmes, without prior sanction from the University and resolved the following:

1. To charge an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rs. One Lakh Only) as fine from Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram for admitting excess students during the academic year 2019-20.
2. To charge an amount of Rs.25,000/-(Rs.Twenty five thousand only) per seats, from Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram for admitting excess candidates over and above the sanctioned strength without prior permission from the University.
3. To levy an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only) as fine from Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram for each newly started courses without obtaining prior sanction from the University.

The Principal, Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous), Nalanchira, under reference cited above, has forwarded a request to waive the fine of Rs.6,25,000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand only) levied on the college based on the following reasons:

1. All the Students admissions-sports quota-were based on the prior sanction by competent authority and the college has not admitted any student without permission from respective Govt/ University authorities.
2. As per the UGC Regulations 2018, Clause 10.1-10.2: “An autonomous college is free to start a new degree or postgraduate course/Ph.D. with the approval of the Academic Council of the college and concerned Statutory Council(s), wherever required, provided the nomenclature of the degree is in consonance with UGC Notification on Specification of Degrees, 2014 as amended from time to time. Such courses shall fulfil the minimum standards prescribed by the university/UGC in terms of number of hours, curricular content and standards, and the university shall be duly informed of such courses.”
3. Statutory inspections by the team of experts including the member of Kerala University Syndicate were conducted by the University for the application starting the Self financing programme.
4. Affiliation and Annual Administration fee for the Self Financing programmes were remitted.

The ratification of the affiliation status for the self financing programmes of Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous) viz, BSc Computer Science, BA English & Communicative English, BA Analytical Economics & BSc Statistics, is pending due to the non-payment of fine (Rs.6,25,000/-, Rupees Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only) imposed on the institution for excess admission made in the Academic Year 2019-22 and for starting programmes without prior sanction of the University. Additionally, the College authorities have not remitted the Annual administration fee for Self Financing Courses for the Academic Year 2024-2025.

It may also be noted that, the Syndicate at its meeting, held on 12.07.2023 vide item no. 01.14 considered the request of the Principal to waive the fine imposed on the institution and resolved not to consider the request for waiving the fine imposed on Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request submitted by the Principal, Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous), Thiruvananthapuram for waiving the fine of an amount of Rs.6,25,000/- (Rs. Six Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Only) imposed to the college is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to constitute a sub-committee consisting of Convernor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, Dr.S.Nazeeb, Sri. R.Rajesh, Members Syndicate to examine the matter regarding the waiving of the fine imposed to the college and place the report before the Syndicate.

Item No.13.77.28: ***Fixing of Aviation Light at High Mast Pole and Rewiring of the Gear Motor Mechanism at University Stadium, Trivandrum-Estimate - Reg:-***
(P.L.C)

The University Engineer, vide letter no. DB-E/avi lights/GV Raja/2023 dated. 02.11.2023 has informed that for conducting the 35th National Games in 2015, the National Games Secretariat had installed 4 nos. of highmast lights, ceiling fans, air conditioner, indoor lights, transformers etc. According to the instruction from the Airport Authority of India, the aviation lights are also installed in the 4 nos. of high mast light which is above 30 m height. Gear motors are provided under each high mast light for any repair works to be done in the highmast light and aviation lights. Also a highmast cherry picker is also provided (one for 4 high masts) in the stadium.

The University Engineer had also informed that the repair work of aviation light fixed over the top of flood light tower scheduled with the work could not be attended as dumping of waste around the base of flood light post by Horticon and Matsyafed resulted damage to operating of bucket motor. Repair of aviation light can be done only after repairing the motor which require removal of heap of waste. **(it is stated that documents regarding the commissioning of high mast lights are not available in the University)**. A technician preferably for repairing highmast lights and aviation lights are needed for the repair work.

In this circumstance, the Director, Department of Physical Education had addressed the matter to the Director, Directorate of Sports and Youth Affairs and they had forwarded an estimate amounting to Rs.76,000/- (Rupees Seventy Six Thousand only), including 18% GST and 6.5% PMC charges for fixing of aviation light at high mast pole and rewinding of the gear motor mechanism. The estimate is prepared in PRICE Software based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index.

It may be noted that Sports Kerala Ltd have been entrusted as Project Management Consultancy for executing works of other departments as per G.O dated. 26.02.2021 and the Project Management Consultancy Charges for all sports related works below Rs. 1 Crore is 6.5% of the Estimate amount as per the G.O (M.S)No.7/2021/S&YA dated 04.03.2021.

The Director, Sports and Youth Affairs, vide letter dated. 18.09.2023 to the Director, Department of Physical Education had informed that the work can be carried out as deposit work and the expenditure in this regard may be met from the fund of the University of Kerala.

Hence, the University Engineer has requested to accord sanction for the estimate amounting to Rs.76,000/- (Rupees Seventy Six Thousand only), including 18% GST and 6.5% PMC charges for fixing of aviation light at high mast pole and rewinding of the gear motor mechanism at University Stadium, Trivandrum and the work may be entrusted to the Sports Kerala Ltd, Kerala Sports and Youth Affairs as deposit work.

The above said matter was considered by the Syndicate at its meeting held on 28.12.2023, vide item no. 07.94.11 and resolved to refer the item to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance along with the remarks of the Finance Officer on the matter.

The details regarding the execution of agreement and installation of items installed in connection with the conduct of National Games is not available in University Engineer's office, Department of Physical Education and Ad.F II Section (the section dealing with the Administration related matters of University Stadium). Considering these facts, Finance has offered remarks as follows,

Administrative sanction may be obtained on the following at the first instance,

1. **Steps may be initiated to take over the items (4 nos. of high mast lights, ceiling fans, air conditioner, indoor lights, transformers etc.) installed in University Stadium in connection with the conduct of National Games as the asset of the University.**
2. **To make entries in the stock/asset register of the University, if approved to take over it.**
3. **Only after the completion of the above (1) & (2), University can incur the expenditure.**

As ordered by the Vice Chancellor, **the aforesaid estimate amounting to Rs.76,000/- (Rupees Seventy Six Thousand only) including 18% GST based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index & PMC charges @ 6.5%, submitted by the Director, Directorate of Sports and Youth Affairs for fixing of Aviation light at high mast pole and rewinding of the gear motor mechanism at University Stadium, Trivandrum and the matter of entrusting the work to the Sports Kerala Ltd, Kerala Sports and Youth Affairs as deposit work, as requested by the University Engineer along with the remarks of the Finance , are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration & appropriate recommendations.**

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to entrust the Registrar to seek clarification from the Sports Kerala Foundation, on this matter.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.29: Fixing/ Determining the order of priority of Civil and Electrical works under Non Plan head-Remarks of the Finance - Reg:-

(Pl. C)

The Syndicate, at its meeting held on 28.12.2023 vide item no.07.94.05, had considered the estimate amounting to Rs.1,70,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Thousand only), (Rs.1,30,000/- for floor tiling and Rs.40,000/- for minor electrical works), including 18% GST submitted by the University Engineer, based on DSR 2018 with 35.59% cost index for Thiruvananthapuram for tiling the floor and minor electrical works in the first floor of Computer Lab of the Department of Statistics at Kariavattom Campus and resolved to approve the same. Accordingly, the Finance has endorsed the same to meet the expenditure from the head of account "Part I-NP-MH:63 Miscellaneous-8/6028-New Development Programmes", of the current year's Budget Estimate of the University "and also remarked that" **only essential works needs to be taken up, since previous years expenditure has to be met from the Current FY's budget**".

The Vice Chancellor has approved, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to the above said Finance Endorsement and **to place the files endorsed by the Finance with the remarks that " Only essential works needs to be taken up since previous years expenditure has to be met from the current Financial Year's Budget" before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance to determine the order of priority.**

Accordingly, the files related to Civil and Electrical works under Non Plan head, endorsed by the Finance with such remarks, are tabulated as below:

Sl. No	Name of the Work	Estimate Amount	Remarks
1	Repair and allied works in the Additional Men's Hostel, PG Men's Hostel, Ladies Research Hostel, SC/ST Funded Women's Hostel and PG Women's Hostel at kariavattom Campus	Rs. 36,89,000/-	Draft note to the S/c on P&D prepared for approval of the Vice Chancellor
2	providing aluminium work for partitions and shelf for new School of Communication and Journalism at Kariavattom Campus	Rs. 8,99,000/-	To be placed before the next SC of the Syndicate on P & D
3	Urgent work for providing light roofing over three storied PG Women's Hostel building at Kariavattom Campus	Rs. 40,53,000/-	Placed before the Syndicate at its meeting held on 02.07.2024
4	Renovation in office room (SDE 31) for Centre for Undergraduate studies in School of Distance Education building at Kariavattom Campus	Rs. 4,23,000/-	Placed before the Syndicate at its meeting held on 02.07.2024
5	Urgent work for providing new sheet roofing over lesson room (Room SDE 15) for arresting leakage at School of Distance Education (SDE) building at Kariavattom Campus	Rs. 1,37,000/-	Placed before the Syndicate at its meeting held on 02.07.2024
6	SH Campus- Electrical works for the construction of Modern Washroom.	Rs. 2,28,310/-	AS for approval of Single tender issued
7	Kariavattom Campus- Urgent Estimate for partitioning the Seminar Hall in the 2nd floor of the Golden Jubilee building	Rs. 4,50,000/-	U.O issued on 25.05.2024
8	Construction of new main entrance gate along with security cabins, road work for South block and providing lights in the newly constructed compound wall in the north and south campus of Kariavattom	Rs.1,55,80,000/-	U.O issued on 04.05.2024
9	Repair and renovation of the building for School of Distance Education for the use of Four Year Under Graduate Programme (FYUGP) at Kariavattom Campus	Rs. 7,50,000/-	U.O issued on 25.05.2024
10	Tiling the floor and minor electrical works in the first floor of Computer Lab of the	Rs. 1,70,000/-	Estimate approved by the Syndicate at its meeting

	Department of Statistics at Kariavattom Campus		held on 28.12.2023.
11	Electrification works related to up-gradation of facilities in CSS office at Kariavattom Campus.	Rs. 3,27,254/-	AS for approval of Single tender issued

As ordered by the Vice Chancellor, the files related to Civil and Electrical works under Non Plan head endorsed by the Finance with the remarks that " Only essential works needs to be taken up, since previous years expenditure have to be met from the current Financial Year's Budget", as tabulated above, are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, for determining the order of priority of the works.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to invite the University Engineer for detailed discussion on this matter.

<i>Resolution of the Syndicate</i>	
RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.	

Item No.13.77.30: Revision of guidelines for refund given to the candidates who discontinue their studies from University College of Engineering, Kariavattom.

(Ad. BII)

At present, the refund to the candidates who discontinue their studies from University College of Engineering, Kariavattom is processed based on U.O.No.Ad. B II/5622/06/20020 dated 22.06.2020; which was issued in accordance with the direction from UGC. However, the admission procedures of University College of Engineering is done as per the KEAM (Kerala Engineering Architecture Medical Entrance Exam) Notification and KEAM specifies a set of rules for refund of fee to the candidates who discontinue their studies from the Institution they took admission.

On verification, it is found that the eligibility of refunds with respect to students of University College of Engineering processed vide U.O. No. 5622/06/2020 dated 22.06.2020 seems contradictory to the clause No:12.2.2 of the KEAM Prospectus 2023.

Hence, more clarification is needed on following matters:

- Refund of tuition fees who discontinue their studies from University College of Engineering, Kariavattom.**

At present, the refund for the students who discontinue their studies from University College of Engineering, Kariavattom are processed vide U.O.No.Ad. B II/5622/06/2020 dated 22.06.2020 as detailed below:

Sl No.	Percentage of refund of fee	Point of time when notice of withdrawal of admission is received in the Institution
1.	100 %	15 days or more before the formally-notified last date of admission.
2.	90 %	Less than 15 days but 5 days before the formally notified last date of admission
3.	80 %	5 days before the formally notified last date of admission to 15 days or less after the formally notified last date of admission
4.	50 %	30 days or less, but more than 15 days, after formally- notified last date of admission
5.	00 %	More than 30 days after formally notified last date of admission

But, as per the clause No:12.2.2 of the KEAM Notification , the eligibility of refund of tuition fee for Engineering (including B.Tech courses offered by Universities) is as detailed below which seems contradictory to the aforesaid U.O.

Clause No:12.2.2 of the KEAM Notification of the KEAM Notification	
1. If the candidate withdraws the admission before the start of the Class the entire fee collected by the student, after a deduction of the processing fee of not more than Rs.1,000/- will be refunded by the Institution.	
2. If the candidate leaves after the start of the class, and if the vacated seat is consequently filled by another student by the last date of admission, the Institution must refund the fee collected after a deduction of the processing fee of not more than Rs.1,000/- .	
3. In case, the vacated seat is not filled, the Institution should refund the Security Deposit.	

As the admission procedures of University College Of Engineering students were conducted in accordance with the terms and conditions specified in the KEAM Prospectus 2023, KEAM Notification 2023 may be implemented for managing the refund of fee.

2. Refund of tuition fees who change their mode of admission from management to merit in the University College of Engineering.

There were instances in which the candidates had shifted their mode of admission from Management to Merit quota and in such cases the candidates have requested to refund the excess fee remitted by them. (ie. The candidate has remitted Rs. 58,250/- (Rs. Fifty Eight Thousand Two hundred and Fifty Only) as tuition fee for Management seat and the same was remitted to KUF, the tuition fee for merit seat is only Rs.36,750/-.Hence requested to refund the excess amount of Rs.21,500/-). As the present U.O does not specify the rule for such refunds, a policy decision may be taken in this regard.

3. Refund of tuition fees of students who admitted on management quota/ NRI quota discontinue their studies from University College of Engineering, Kariavattom.

There were instances in which the candidates who took admission in NRI/ Management quota had discontinued their studies and requested for refund of fee. The present U.O does not specify any rules in this regard. Hence a policy decision may be taken in this regard,

4. Refund of Tuition fee of students who admitted under Tuition Fee waiver Scheme.

As per the KEAM Notification; for the candidates who come under Tuition Fee Waiver Scheme, the tuition fee remitted by them have to be refunded by the Institution and all other fee except tuition fee have to be paid by the beneficiary. This clause may also be incorporated in the U.O.

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, following matters are placed before Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation:

- (i) Whether KEAM Notification 2023 be implemented for managing the refund of fee to the 2023 admission candidates (Merit, Management & NRI) who discontinue their studies from the University College of Engineering, Kariavattom and whether a U.O be issued accordingly.
- (ii) Whether refund of the excess tuition fee remitted, be given to the candidates who had shifted their mode of admission from Management to Merit quota.
- (iii) Whether the clause regarding 'Tuition Fee Waiver Scheme' as stipulated in the KEAM Notification 2023 be incorporated in the U.O.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to seek remarks from APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, Thiruvananthapuram, regarding the refund guidelines adopted by them.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.31: Purchase of Chemicals, Biochemicals and Consumables for the use in the Department of Biochemistry - Ratification – reg.

(Ad. BIV (CP) A / Ad. FII)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 28/02/2023 vide item No. 52.72.11.49 resolved to approve the recommendations of the Purchase Committee held on 21/02/2023, to purchase various Chemicals, Biochemicals and Consumables for the use in the Dept. of Biochemistry. Accordingly, purchase sanction letter was issued to the HOD, Dept. of Biochemistry, permitting the purchase, vide letter No.50271/Admn F II/2022/UOK dated 15/03/2023.

The details of the items are as follows:

Sl No	Item Code	Item description & Make	Qty	Unit	Firm	Amount
1.	HiPer ® DNA Molecular Size Determination Teaching Kit	HTBM014-10PR (Himedia)	10 PR	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	3087

2.	HiPer® Bacterial Gene Expression Teaching Kit	HTBM018-5PR (Himedia)	5 PR	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	6175
3.	HiPer® Bacterial Genomic DNA Extraction Teaching Kit (Solution Based)	HTBM009-10PR (Himedia)	10 PR	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	2777
4.	HiPer® Gel Extraction Teaching Kit (Column Based)	HTBM010-10PR (Himedia)	10 PR	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	3592
5.	HiPer® PCR Application Teaching Kit	HTBM030-5PR (Himedia)	5 PR	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	5920
6.	HiPer® Transformation Teaching Kit	HTBM017-10PR (Himedia)	10 PR	1	Chemical House	4682
7.	HiPer® Antigen Capture ELISA Teaching Kit	HTI012-4PR (Himedia)	1	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	4614
8.	HiPer® Antibody Capture ELISA Teaching Kit	HTI013-4PR (Himedia)	1	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	3596
9.	HiPer® Counter Current Immunoelectrophoresis Teaching Kit	HTI007-10PR (Himedia)	1	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	2247
10.	HiPer® Immunoelectrophoresis Teaching Kit	HTI005-5PR (Himedia)	1	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	3208
11.	HiPer® Ouchterlony Double Diffusion Teaching Kit (For Antibody Titration)	HTI003-15PR (Himedia)	1	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	2372
12.	HiPer® Ouchterlony Double Diffusion Teaching Kit (For Antigen-Antibody Pattern)	HTI002-10PR (Himedia)	1	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	2372
13.	HiPer® Radial Immunodiffusion Teaching Kit	HTI004-20PR (Himedia)	1	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	3152
14.	HiPer® Sandwich ELISA Teaching Kit	HTI014-4PR (Himedia)	1	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	3596
15.	Agarose	MB002 (Himedia)	100g	1	Associated Trades & Agencies	3403
16.	MOPS	RM660 (Himedia)	100g	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	3401
17.	DEPC	MB076 (Himedia)	25ml	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	3299
18.	Casein	GRM086 (Himedia)	500g	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	1872
19.	Cholesterol	GRM335 (Himedia)	25 g	1	Industrial & Laboratory	4664

					equipment Co	
20	Sodium dodecyl Sulfate Emplura	1.94954.0521 (Merck)	500g	2	Globe Scientific	2544
21	Sodium hydrogen Carbonate Emplura	1.93237.0521 (Merck)	500gm	5	Globe Scientific	1982
22	Sodium Chloride Emplura	1.93206.0521 (Merck)	500gm	5	Globe Scientific	1404
23	Sodium dihydrogen phosphate dihydrate Emplura	1.93624.0521 (Merck)	500gm	5	Globe Scientific	3469
24	Di sodium hydrogen phosphate dihydrate Emplura	1.93622.0521 (Merck)	500gm	5	Globe Scientific	3098
25	Formaldehyde solution Emplura	1.94989.0521 (Merck)	500ml	5	Globe Scientific	2024
26	Formamide Emplura	1.04008.0521 (Merck)	500 ML	2	Globe Scientific	2015
27	Sodium hydroxide pellets (Em)	1.93502.0521 (Merck)	500gm	5	Globe Scientific	2230
28	Hydrochloric acid about 35% Emplura	1.93401.0521 (Merck)	500ml	3	Globe Scientific	1189
29	Sulfuric acid about 98% Emplura	1.93400.0521 (Merck)	500ml	3	Globe Scientific	1437
30	Nitric acid about 69% Emplura	1.93406.0521 (Merck)	500ml	3	Globe Scientific	1189
31	Sodium Carbonate Emplura	1.93611.0521 (Merck)	500gm	5	Globe Scientific	1982
32	Potassium sodium tartarate tetrahydrate Emplura	1.93626.0521 (Merck)	500gm	2	Globe Scientific	3172
33	Petroleum Ether 40-60 Emplura	1.94520.0521 (Merck)	500ml	15	Globe Scientific	11771
34	Acetone Emplura	1.94500.0521 (Merck)	500ml	15	Globe Scientific	7310
35	Methanol Emplura	1.94516.0521 (Merck)	500ml	15	Globe Scientific	5204
36	Ethyl Acetate Emplura	1.94512.0521 (Merck)	500ml	15	Globe Scientific	5039
37	Hexane emplura	1.94514.0521 (Merck)	500ml	10	Globe Scientific	5286
38	Chloroform Emplura	1.94506.0521 (Merck)	500 ml	15	Globe Scientific	7682
39	Isopropanol	1945240521 (Merck)	500ML	10	Globe Scientific	6360
40	Potassium Chloride	1.93238.0521 (Merck)	500g	5	Globe Scientific	1859
41	Copper Sulphate	1.93216.0521 (Merck)	500g	3	Globe Scientific	3420
42	Calcium chloride	1.93634.0521 (Merck)	500g	5	Globe Scientific	1817
43	Potassium dihydrogen phosphate	1.93605.0521 (Merck)	500g	2	Globe Scientific	1503
44	Reagent Bottle	1501024 (Borosil)	500ml	15	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	5115

45	Reagent Bottle	1501021 (Borosil)	250ml	20	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	6178
46	T25 flask for adherent cells	TCG3 (Himedia)	10X 10	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	5540
47	T75 Flask for adherent cells	TCS5 (Himedia)	10X 5	1	Associated Trades & Agencies	7191
48	Cell culture plates 100mm	TCP008 (Himedia)	20X10	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	7155
49	Cell culture plates 60mm	TCP007 (Himedia)	50X10	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	11214
50	Cell culture plates 35mm	TCP006 (Himedia)	50X10	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	9816
51	Micro centrifuge tube stand	TCP029 (Himedia)	1 X 5	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	2806
52	Tarson microplate	941196 (Tarson)	50nos	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	2761
53	Test Tube Stand 16mm dia, 31 Places	202020 (Tarson)	50 Nos	1	Industrial & Laboratory equipment Co	13852

The HOD, Dept. of Biochemistry, purchased the items and forwarded the bills and vouchers for payment.

The details are as follows:

Sl No	Name of Firm	Purchase order amount	Bill Amount	Remarks
1	Globe Scientific, Thiruvananthapuram (Sl Nos. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34,36, 37, 38, 39,40, 41, 42, 43)	Rs.79,782 /-	Rs 79,712 /-	Rs 70 /- less than purchase order amount
2	Globe Scientific, Thiruvananthapuram (Sl No. 35)	Rs 5204 /-	Rs 5204 /-	
3	Associated Trades & Agencies, Cochin(Sl No. 47)	Rs 7191 /-	Rs 7191 /-	
4	The Industrial & Laboratory Equipments Co., Thiruvananthapuram (Sl Nos.44, 45, 46, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52,53)	Rs 64,437 /-	Rs 64,437 /-	
5	The Industrial & Laboratory Equipments Co., Thiruvananthapuram (Sl Nos- 1,2,3,4,5, 7,8,9, 10, 11, 12,13,14,17,18,19)	Rs 56,543 /-	Rs 56,543 /-	
	Total	Rs.2,13,157/-	Rs.2,13,087/-	

The following may be noted.

- 1) The items with serial nos. 6, 15 and 16 in the purchase order was not purchased due to unavailability.
- 2) The following differences in the supply order and the submitted bills has been noted.

Item Code	Item description & Make	Sl. No. In purchase order	Firm	Amount in purchase order	Bill amount	Remarks
Sodium Chloride Emparta	1.93206.0521 (Merck)	22	Globe Scientific	Rs.1404 /-	Rs 1333 /-	Bill amount less than purchase order amount
Ethyl Acetate Emplura	1.94512.0521 (Merck)	36	Globe Scientific	Rs 5039 /-	Rs 5039 /-	The purchase order was issued for 15 units. But supplied 10 units with increased rate

The HOD, Dept. of Biochemistry vide letter dated 11/08/2023 informed that there was an increase in the price of the items and since the chemical is inevitable for Research purpose, the item was procured with higher rate. Also requested sanction for the payment on the purchase of that item.

The Vice Chancellor has given orders to place the matter before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding the purchase of Chemical with higher rate than that in the purchase order, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendations.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended the following:

- to accept the reduced rate of Rs 1333/- (Rupees One Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Three only) for the item Sodium Chloride Emparta, supplied instead of the rate mentioned as per Sl. No. 22 in the supply order.
- to release the payment of 10 units of Ethyl Acetate Emplura supplied by the Firm against the supply order instead of Rs. 5039/- which is the total cost of 15 units in the supply order.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.32 University of Kerala- Unauthorized use of Pay-in-Slips - Drain on University Funds- Final data and action taken -reg:-

Ref:- 1. Item No.53.54.12 of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate held on 17.03.2023.

Ref:- 2. Item No.12.25 of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate held on 04.06.2020.

(IT Cell)

The Final Defaulters list submitted by the tabulation sections were placed before the Syndicate held on 07/11/2022 and it is further resolved to “entrust the Registrar and Finance officer to submit the current status report of the total amount of drain on University funds due to unauthorized use of pay-in-slips and Final Defaulters lists before the Syndicate for initiating further course of action”.

The tabulation sections have furnished the details of students who have remitted the fee and penalty based on the reminder sent to the defaulters as per the action taken on point 1 on the meeting held on 23/11/2022 at Registrar’s Office. The Final Defaulters List thus prepared after deducting the names of the students (who had paid fees with penalty) from the existing list based on the details furnished by the tabulation sections as on 05/01/2023 is as follows:

Sl. No	Section	Total no. of defaulters	Amount Due	Degree Certificate Issued (Nos)
1	B.Tech	834	551575	27
2	CBCSS (BA/BSc/BCom.)	445	68275	105
3	CBCSS-CR	112	30380	6
4	MBA	5	1435	3
5	MCA	3	375	0

6	B.Arch	0	0	0
7	M.Tech	2	100	0
8	PG	17	10795	0
9	LLB	45	13660	14
10	B.Ed	0	0	NA
	TOTAL	1462	676950	

Further in obedience to the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the Report submitted by the Registrar and Finance officer was placed before the Syndicate held on 09/02/2023 and resolved vide item no.51.34 to approve the Report submitted by the Registrar and Finance officer regarding the unauthorized use of pay-in-slips- Drain on University Funds and “to place the report before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance” for consideration and further action.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended the following

- To send a final notice to the defaulters with the warning that University will block all the services to the defaulters within one month, if they fail to remit the dues.
- To block all the services to the defaulters after revising the final defaulters list and to communicate the matter to all the sections concerned.
- To speed up the procedure for completing the DCB module in all software developing for the examination sections.

The recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance were resolved by the Syndicate at its meeting held on 17.03.2023 vide item no.53.54.12. In obedience to the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, to implement the resolution of the Syndicate , a draft note to Director KUCC , DR (Exams IV), DR Exams(III) , DR (Exams VI) , DR (CBCS) and DR(ES & Revaluation) have been issued and as per this a final notice to the defaulters with the warning that ‘University will block all the services to the defaulters within one month, if they fail to remit the dues’ has been issued.

In continuation, a meeting was convened at CE’s Chamber on 26.05.2023 to discuss steps to be taken for finding the defaulters for the financial year 2017-18 and 2019-20 (resolution of the Syndicate held on 04.06.2020 vide item no.12.25.) The meeting discussed in detail the procedures to find the defaulters from the examination fee details by analyzing the previous procedures followed in finding the defaulters during the financial year 2018-19. Meeting also discussed the present status of remittance made by the defaulters during the financial year 2018-19 and recommended the following:

Recommendations:

1. **The tabulation sections shall forward the list of pending defaulters based on the final notice in a common format during the financial year 2018-19 to the IT Cell on or before 30.05.2023.**
2. **The IT Cell shall provide a common format of the final notice which is to be given to the pending defaulters to all tabulation sections immediately.**
3. **The tabulation sections shall send the notice to the defaulters concerned by Registered Post mentioning that the defaulters shall rectify the defect within 7 days and the final list shall be given to IT Cell on or before 10.06.2023.**
4. **KUCC shall provide the list of defaulters during the financial year 2017-18 and 2019-20, same as that provided for 2018-19 to the IT Cell at the earliest.**
5. **The IT Cell shall convene a meeting of Assistant Registrars concerned of all tabulation sections immediately on receiving the list in order to constitute a task team for preparing the error free final defaulters list during the financial year 2017-18 and 2019-20.**

Following the meeting at CE’s Chamber on 26.05.2023, as per recommendation 2, a final notice in a common format was sent to the defaulters by the concerned tabulation sections via Registered post, stating that they must rectify the defect within 7 days, otherwise all services to them would be terminated.

Following the issuance of the intimation letter, some of the students have settled their outstanding dues. Subsequently, the Final Defaulters List has been compiled based on the data received from various tabulation sections as outlined below.

Sl.No	Section	Total no. of defaulters	Amount Due	Degree awarded to
1	B.TECH	679	485755	30
2	CBCSS (BA/BSc/BCom)	294	45225	16
3	CBCSS-CR	69	23030	2
4	MBA	3	1310	2
5	MCA	2	200	0
6	BArch	0	0	0
7	Mtech	2	100	0
8	Btech (PT)	1	50	0
9	PG	17	9970	0
10	LLB	35	12160	7
11	BEEd	0	0	0
	TOTAL	1102	577800	

The Final Defaulters list forwarded from the sections as on 5th March 2024 was forwarded to KUCC for blocking the services.

The action taken by KUCC on the resolution of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 17.03.2023 is as follows.

- All the online services offered to students in the defaulters list shared with KUCC till date has been blocked.

(The matter has been informed to all DR/AR concerned via phone and email)

- The DCB module is implemented in the examination portal and made available for all the tabulation sections and it is practically difficult to implement the DCB Module in all tabulation software.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the final data and action taken on Unauthorized use of Pay-in-Slips- drain on University Funds is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and noted the action taken on drain in University fund during the financial year 2018-19 due to unauthorized use of Pay-in Slips.

The Committee further recommended to reinstate the online services to those students in the defaulters list during the financial year 2018-19 who have settled their outstanding dues.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED to entrust the Controller of Examinations to verify whether there are any pending cases outstanding against the students in the defaulters list. These cases shall be cleared before permission is granted for writing the examinations, based on individual requests.

Item No.13.77.33: *Re-appropriation to Part I Non Plan, MH 67-I Institute of Technology Headquarters Unit, 4/6070 KUPE PF Scheme (Employer Contribution) for the Financial Year 2024.25 - reg.*

(Accounts V)

As per U.O. No. 8795/2023/UOK dtd. 21.10.2023, sanction was accorded to open five new subheads under the expenditure part of Part I Non-Plan for meeting the employer contribution of the Kerala University Provisional Employees Provident Fund Scheme and to open five subheads for effecting the recoveries under receipt side and one subhead each in expenditure as well as receipt side in Part IV Debts and Deposits for meeting employees contribution of the Kerala University Provisional Employees Provident Fund Scheme for the financial year 2023.24.

It may be noted that, in the interim budget (Vote on Account) for the financial year 2024- 25, an amount of Rs.2,50,000/- only was allotted to the head of account MH 67-4/6070 – The Kerala University Provisional Employees Provident Fund Scheme (Employer Contribution), which was not enough to meet the first payment of Rs. 9,68,393/- of the current financial year.

Accordingly, a note was originated from Accounts VA section, requesting to sanction an additional amount to this head of account.

The Finance, vide Endt.No.FOS.358/Finance II/2024-25 dtd 20.04.2024, at first instance provided an amount of Rs. 30,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Only) under the newly opened h/a "Part I Non Plan, MH 67-I Institute of Technology, Headquarters Unit, 4/6070 - The Kerala University Provisional Employees Provident Fund Scheme (Employer Contribution)" by re-appropriation from the h/a "Part I Non Plan, MH 63 Miscellaneous, 8/5948 Miscellaneous" provided under the current year Budget Estimates of the University, as the senate had approved a Vote on Account.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the aforementioned proposal for re- appropriation is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to approve the re-appropriation proposal for providing an amount of Rs.30,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Lakh Only) under the newly opened h/a "Part I Non Plan, MH 67-I Institute of Technology, Headquarters Unit, 4/6070 - The Kerala University Provisional Employees Provident Fund Scheme (Employer Contribution)" from the h/a "Part I Non Plan, MH 63 Miscellaneous, 8/5948 Miscellaneous" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University, vide Finance Endt.No.FOS.358/Finance II/2024-25 dtd 20.04.2024.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

ItemNo.13.77.34: ***UG/PG/ B.Ed/ M.Ed Online Admission 2024 – 25 – Granting of Provisional Advance for the smooth conduct of admissions – reg.***

(Ac. H)

Every year a provisional advance is sanctioned to the Deputy Registrar, Ac.H, for the smooth conduct of admissions.

During the academic year 2023-24 a provisional advance of Rs.5,00,000/- [Five Lakhs rupees only] was sanctioned for the smooth conduct of the admission procedure.

An amount of Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lakhs only) may be needed to meet the expenses related to the UG/ PG/ B.Ed/ M.Ed admissions for the academic year 2024-25.

The Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the matter before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

Hence the matter regarding the granting of Provisional Advance for the smooth conduct of admission procedure is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to grant an amount of Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees Four Lakh only) towards the provisional advance for meeting the expenses related to the conduct of UG/PG/B.Ed/M.Ed Online admission 2024- 25.

It was also recommended that, considering the exigency of the matter the above recommendation of the committee on Item No. 34 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.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be noted.

ItemNo.13.77.35: ***PLEASE Scheme- Request for Utilization of Remaining Balance for "Establishment of Advanced Centre for Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research in Cutaneous Biology."- reg.***

(Pl.F)

An amount of Rs.4,44,00,000/- (Rupees Four Crore and forty four lakh only) was released to Dr. Sreejith P., Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology as Provisional Advance, for "Establishing the Advanced Centre for Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research in Cutaneous Biology" at Kariavattom Campus, vide U.O. No. 2318/2022/UOK dated 23/03/2022 under the implementation of Performance Linked Encouragement for Academic Studies and Endeavour (PLEASE) scheme:

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Principal Investigator and Department	Estimated Amount	Break up of the Project
1.	'Establishing the Advanced Centre for Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research in Cutaneous Biology'	Dr. Sreejith P., Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology	4,44,00,000/-	Lab Infrastructure: 3,27,00,000/- Lab Equipment: 1,07,00,000/- Chemicals/ Consumables:3,00,000 Analytical Charges: NIL Travel/ Contingency: 1,00,000/- Internship: 6,00,000/-

The estimate totalling Rs. 3.22 crore for civil, electrical and electronic works for the phase I, ground floor work for the Establishment of Advanced Centre for Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cells Research in Cutaneous Biology (AcREM-STEM) at Kariavattom Campus with foundation for G+2 building as suggested by the Hon. Director, AcREM- STEM was then approved vide U.O. No. 7201/2023/UOK dated 21/08/2023.

A sum of Rs. 20,00,000/- has been earmarked from the above provision of Rs. 3.22 crore, for the procurement of lab furniture. Accordingly, the Assistant Executive Engineer, had invited e-tenders for an amount of Rs. 14,00,000/- (Rupees Fourteen lakh only) for the purchase of lab furniture and an amount of Rs. 6,00,000/- (Rupees Six lakh only) was allocated as balance amount in the lump sump provision.

Subsequently, sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor, to entrust the Hon. Director, AcREM- STEM for the purchase of furniture in the AcREM -STEM, without inviting tenders, from the agencies approved by the Government of Kerala, for the utilization of the balance amount of Rs.6,00,000/- (Rupees Six lakh only). Accordingly, Supply Order had been placed with 'M/s.Meenachil Rubber wood Limited Poonjar, Kottayam', vide Letter No. 15112/Planning F/2024 dated 16/03/2024, towards the purchase of furniture in the AcREM- STEM amounting to Rs.5,96,550/- (Rupees Five Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty only) including GST @18%.

Now, the Hon. Director, vide Letter No. Nil dated 10/06/2024 has requested to utilize the remaining balance amount from the total amount of Rs. 3.27 crore allocated for the "Establishment of the Advanced Centre for Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Research in Cutaneous Biology".

The Hon Director, has also forwarded the following summary of the current expenditure incurred under the head "Lab Infrastructure".

Sl. No	Head of Account	Amount Allocated (In Rs.)	Amount Utilized (in Rs.)	Balance Amount
1.	Construction of AcREM building at Kariavattom Campus	3,27,00,000/-	2,98,59,803/-	Rs. 8,40,197/-
2	Purchase of Furniture		20,00,000/-	

The Hon. Director, has requested to utilize the remaining balance amount of **Rs.8,40,197/- (Rupees Eight lakh forty thousand one hundred and ninety seven only)** for the following purposes:

- (i) Installation of CCTV Cameras.
- (ii) Landscaping and Beautification of the building and premises.
- (iii) Development of an Eco-friendly Open Air auditorium and seating space.
- (iv) Lighting and Water supply for the Landscaped Areas.

In this context, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the proposal is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the matter to the Syndicate along with the following:

- *a declaration from Dr. Sreejith P., Hon. Director, AcREM- STEM that the works detailed in the request dtd 10.06.2024 are within the scope of the original project proposal.*
- *a detailed proposal for utilizing the balance amount of Rs. 8,40,197/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Forty Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Seven only) for the following purposes.*
 - (i) *Installation of CCTV Cameras.*
 - (ii) *Landscaping and Beautification of the building and premises.*

(iii) *Development of an Eco-friendly Open Air auditorium and seating space.*

(iv) *Lighting and Water supply for the Landscaped Areas.*

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

ItemNo.13.77.36: *Issuance of bus passes to students enrolled in Four Year Under Graduate Programmes (FYUGP) in the University and Revision of current bus pass rates- reg.*

(Ad. A IV)

The Head, Institute of Management in Kerala, vide letter No. IMK/15/2024/264 dated 02.07.2024, has requested necessary action for the issuance of bus passes for first year B.B.A. students enrolled in the Four Year Under Graduate Programme (FYUGP).

According to U.O. No. 48/2020/UOK dated 04.01.2020, regarding the revision of bus pass rates, University bus passes have been issued to P.G., M.Phil and Research Scholars of the University. The Four Year Under Graduate Programme (FYUGP) has been introduced in the University from the current academic year.

Additionally, as per U.O. No. 4370/2024/UOK dated 25.05.2024, regular bus passes (D type) have been sanctioned for international students enrolled in various U.G./ P.G. courses in affiliated colleges under University of Kerala, at the rate of Rs.400/- per academic year.

The rates of bus passes were previously revised based on the Audit Report for the year 2017-18 of the Kerala State Audit Department regarding the timely renewal of bass pass rates. Accordingly, U.O. No. 617/2019/UOK dated 16.10.2019 was issued and it was later revised vide U.O. No. 48/2020/UOK dated 04.01.2020.

The current rate of bus passes as per U.O. No. 48/2020/UOK dated 04.01.2020, are listed below:

Sl. No.	Bus Pass Type	Beneficiary	Charges
1	Pass A	Class I Officers and Teachers	Rs.520/- per month
2	Pass B	Assistants, Computer Assistants, Section Officers, Office Superintendents, Assistant Registrars	Rs.400/- per month
3	Pass C	M. Phil, Research Scholars of the University	Rs.800/- per academic year
4	Pass D	P.G. Students of the University, International students studying in colleges affiliated to University for UG/ PG courses	Rs.400/- per academic year
5	Pass D1	College-going children of University Staff	Rs.90/- per month
6	Pass E	Class IV employees	Rs.125/- per month
7	Pass F	School-going children of University Staff	Rs.75/- per month
8	Pass G	Guest pass for each trip	Rs.20/- per trip
9	Pass H	Staff residing at University Quarters	Rs.150/- per month
10	Pass I	Inmates of University Hostel	Rs.50/- per month
11	Pass J	Dependants of University staff	Rs.400/- per month
12	Special Trip Rate	Rs.2,000/- (Up to 20 km or 3 hours)	
		Rs.35/- (Additional charge per kilometer)	
		Rs.150/- per hour (Waiting charge exceeding three hours)	

In obedience to the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the following are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation:

- Issuance of bus passes to students under Four Year Under Graduate Programmes (FYUGP) of various departments of University and the fees to be levied.
- Necessity of revision in the current rate of bus passes.
- To fix a time period for periodic revision of bus pass rates.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to issue bus passes to students under Four Year Under Graduate Programmes (FYUGP) in University department at a rate fixed for P.G students.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

ItemNo.13.77.37: *Department of Mathematics - Fixing the starting pay in respect of Dr. Dilip Kumar, Assistant Professor – reg.*

(Ad.H)

Dr. Dilip Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics has requested to take necessary steps to protect his salary according to his last pay scale at NSS College, Cherthala under Department of Collegiate Education, where he had been teaching on regular basis until his joining in the University.

Following points may be noted in this regard.

Dr. Dilip Kumar joined as Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, Kariavattom on 17.03.2020 FN, vide U.O No. 1102/2020/UOK dated 23.04.2020. His probation was declared, vide U.O No. 6143/2021/UOK dated 09.11.2021. Prior to joining in the University of Kerala, Dr. Dilip Kumar was working as Assistant Professor in Department of Mathematics, NSS College, Cherthala from 02.06.2016 to 16.03.2020. Now he has requested for last pay protection of the previous service at the Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Kerala.

While considering the request of Dr. Dilip Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, for the protection of pay in the University in accordance with his last pay scale at NSS College, Cherthala under Department of Collegiate Education, the Finance has remarked the following:

The authority to fix starting pay of a teacher is the Syndicate of the University. As per the Last Pay Certificate counter signed by the Principal with Full Additional charge of Deputy Director of Collegiate Education, Ernakulam and the entries in the Service Book verified by the Principal, NSS College Cherthala, as on 16/03/2020, Dr. Dilip Kumar, Assistant Professor (Academic Level 10) in the Department of Mathematics, was in receipt of a basic pay of Rs.66800/-. He joined University service as Assistant Professor in the Academic Level 10 w.e.f. 17.03.2020. If the request of Dr. Dilip Kumar for protection of the last pay in the former service is considered and protected in the University, his basic pay arrives at Rs.66800/- (Academic Level-10).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter of fixing the starting pay in respect of Dr. Dilip Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to fix the starting pay in respect of Dr. Dilip Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics at Rs.66800/- (Academic Level-10) w.e.f 17.03.2020 FN, as per the rules and norms.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

ItemNo.13.77.38: *"The Kerala University Provisional Employees Provident Fund Scheme" – Inclusion of all Casual Employees in the University- Administrative decision sought for - reg –*

(Ad.AII)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 18.03.2022 resolved to approve the separate PF Scheme for Provisional Employees, viz, "The Kerala University Provisional Employees Provident Fund Scheme" (KUPEPFS), subject to the approval of the Government. The Senate has approved the proposal to amend Chapter XVI of the Kerala University First Ordinances, 1978 for incorporating this Scheme, at its meeting held on 25th and 26th March, 2022. The Government of Kerala, has been requested to grant approval for the Scheme and same is yet to be received. The assent of the Chancellor for amendment to the Ordinances for incorporating this Scheme is also awaited. It may be noted that, the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO), alleging non-compliance of the

provisions of the Scheme under the EPF&MP Act, 1952 had initiated coercive steps like recovering hefty amounts from the bank accounts of the University and freezing the operations of Bank accounts. It was in the backdrop of such pressing circumstances that the University was constrained to formulate this PF Scheme for Provisional Employees of the University, in conformity with the Statutory provisions.

Initially, the contract employees who execute a contract with the Registrar, receive the remuneration upto Rs.15,500/-, other than re-employed pensioners were able to subscribe to this Scheme. As none of the contract employees fell within the monthly pay limit of Rs.15,500/-, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 20.05.2023 resolved to implement this Scheme w.e.f. 1st April 2022 and to make the Scheme applicable to all contract employees, who execute a contract with the Registrar, other than re-employed pensioners. It was also resolved to deduct the monthly contribution of the provisional employee and to recover the arrears of the provisional employees' contribution (in 13 instalments) w.e.f. their salary for the month of May, 2023. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 14.08.2023 subsequently resolved to include all Casual employees and Caretakers engaged in the University and the contingent daily wage employees of the University who execute contract with the Registrar, other than the re-employed pensioners, in this Scheme.

The Finance section hassated that, "**The inclusion of casual employees engaged for 89 days (maximum 2 terms and without executing any contract)** is in contradiction to the provisions in the KUPEPFS, 2022 where it is categorically stated that Provisional Employees means an incumbent who executed a contract with the Registrar and include all classes of employees in Schedule I of the scheme other than re-employed pensioners. It may also be noted that the enrolment of incumbents engaged for such a short spell to the scheme would mean frequent enrolment and closure in every 89 days and it may create several administrative difficulties to manage the accounting and fund management procedures of the scheme. There could be opening and closure of accounts almost everyday. The financial commitment on the part of the institution will also be huge. "

Hence, Finance Officer has sought clarification relating to the inclusion of casual employees engaged for 89 days in the KUPEPFS, since Schedule 1 clearly tells that Classes of Employees means contract employees who execute a contract with the Registrar.

Moreover, Casual Labourers are being engaged in various Centres under University of Kerala, for years, after a day break on monthly wise/ 89 days without executing a contract with the Registrar.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, above matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that all Casual Employees who are engaged for 89 days and who have executed a contract with the Registrar be included in the Kerala University Provisional Employees Provident Fund Scheme.

ItemNo.13.77.39 EP No. 132/2022 instituted by Smt. Sani Abraham before the Hon'ble Sub Court, Alappuzha – reg.

(Legal)

Smt. Sani Abraham, Candidate for M.Sc Mathematics 1999-2001, SD College, Alappuzha had passed the M.Sc Previous Examination with Register No. 5294 during April/May 2000. She got 285 marks out of 500. She had registered for the Final year Examination, 2001 with Register No. 40322, but had not appeared for the exam.

In 2002, the candidate had registered and appeared for the Final year Examination and failed. It was found that, the examiners had valued the Paper VI "Topology" the new scheme answer script with old scheme question paper. Subsequently, revaluation of three papers viz Paper VI Topology, Paper VII Functional Analysis and Paper VIII Elective Operations Research was conducted, as per the direction of Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in Writ Appeal No. 884/2003.

On revaluation, the marks of the above papers changed from 09, 98, 55 to 86, 77, 84 respectively. As a result, the candidate had passed the M.Sc Mathematics Examination in Second Class as she got 760 marks out of 1400 and the result was published in 2004.

Smt. Sani Abraham had filed a Suit against the University in the Court of the Addl. Sub Judge, Alappuzha (O.S. No. 8/2006) for compensation of Rs 3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Only) as she had lost opportunities for higher studies and employment. The court had decreed the Suit allowing her to realise Rs 30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand) along with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of Suit till realisation and to recover the costs from the Registrar and the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala, excluding other respondents [Sri. James Alexander, Lecture (Selection Grade), Mar Ivanios College, Thiruvananthapuram and Dr.Muhammed Ismail Jinnah, Professor, Department of Mathematics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom (Examiners)]

Smt. Sani Abraham preferred Regular First Appeal RFA No.663/2017 before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala against the Judgment and Decree in O.S No. 8/2006 for enhancement of quantum of compensation and the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala on 27.02.2020 decreed the Suit allowing her to recover an amount of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Only) with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of Suit till the date of realisation along with costs throughout from the defendants ie. the Registrar and the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala.

The Syndicate, at the meeting held on 15.05.2020 vide item No. 11.63, considered the matter and resolved to refer the item to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations, at its meeting on 26.06.2020, recommended to release the Degree Certificate in respect of Smt. Sani Abraham and send notice to the then Controller of Examinations and Registrar and the teachers who valued the answer scripts and the report be placed before the Syndicate. The Syndicate, at its meeting on 17.07.2020, considered the recommendations and resolved as follows;

- i. To release the Degree Certificate in respect of Smt. Sani Abraham.
- ii. To seek legal opinion from the Standing Counsel that whether there is any scope of filing an appeal and on the recommendation at Sl. No.2 of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 26.06.2020.
- iii. To authorize the Vice-Chancellor to take appropriate action as per the legal opinion.
- iv. To entrust the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for an internal enquiry regarding the matter.

As per the above resolution of the Syndicate, legal opinion was sought from the learned Standing Counsel. The Standing Counsel, as per letter No. TA/SC-LO-68/2020 dated 29.12.2020 opined that there is hardly any question of law which can be raised for filing a Second Appeal, failing which the same is likely to be dismissed at the threshold with additional costs. Also, there are no legal lacunae in adopting such steps to recover the amount from then Registrar and Controller of Examinations. Therefore, the Standing Counsel opined that, the amount to be quantified and notice to realize the same to be send to the then Registrar and Controller of Examinations with specific reference to the direction in the judgment.

The Syndicate held on 27.01.2021 considered the legal opinion of the Standing Counsel and resolved to quantify the amount to be recovered and notice to realize the same be intimated to the then Registrar and Controller of Examination with specific direction of the judgment.

As per the Orders (dated 05.10.2021) of the Vice Chancellor, steps were initiated to fix the liability of the Officers who were in charge of the Registrar and the Controller of Examinations during the period from April 2002 to March 2003 the period within which the defendants committed the lapse. It was noticed that Dr. V Jayaprakas was the Controller of Examinations during that period. But there were 3 Officers who held the Office of the Registrar during that period and the particulars are as detailed below.

Name of the Officer in charge of Registrar	Period
Dr. D. Jayadevadas	08.03.2001 to 30.11.2002
Sri. N. Harikrishnan Nampoothiri (Joint Registrar - Admn) I/C of Registrar	01.12.2002 to 07.01.2003
Dr. G. Sidhardhan	08.01.2003 to 31.01.2003
Sri. N. Harikrishnan Nampoothiri (Joint Registrar - Admn) I/C of Registrar	01.02.2003 to 31.05.2003.

In order to ascertain the individuals actually responsible for the above lapses, file was forwarded to the Legal Adviser as per the orders of the Registrar. The Legal Adviser on 07.10.2022 opined that the cause of action for the Original Suit arose in between April 2002 and March 2003. Dr. V. Jayaprakas served as the Controller of Examinations during that time frame, a fact that is indisputable. However, regarding the position of Registrar, uncertainty arose as four individuals occupied that office during the said period. According to the Legal Adviser, the ambiguity necessitates clarification as it became imperative to ascertain the specific individual responsible for the negligent act among the officials who held the office of Registrar during the relevant period. The Legal Adviser clarified that, the officials who held the offices of the Registrar and the Controller of Examinations as on the date of Suit are jointly liable for the loss caused to the exchequer due to their negligent act. From records it is evident that the Suit was instituted on 20.01.2006.

The Legal Adviser further opined that the loss caused to the University could only be actualized upon payment of the amount due to the decree holder and it is crucial to emphasize that only the actual loss incurred by the University would be recoverable from the individuals concerned and the recovery would be subject to Section 5 of the Limitation Act. In the present case, the amount due to the Decree Holder is yet to be paid. According to the Legal Adviser, the University can only be deemed to have suffered a loss once this payment is made. The Legal Adviser concluded that, it is crucial to ascertain the identity of the officials and the status of the Decree Execution so as to determine University's liability and subsequent recovery.

In the mean time Smt. Sani Abraham instituted Execution Petition (No. 132 of 2022) before the Hon'ble Sub Court Alapuzha for realization of the decree amount together with interest and costs amounting to Rs. 2,29,941/- (Rupees Two Lakhs twenty nine thousand nine hundred and forty one only). The files were handed over to the Legal Adviser for the conduct of the Execution Petition and the case is still pending before the Hon'ble Sub Court, Alapuzha.

The Legal Adviser as per letter dated 29.06.2024 opined that since there is no scope for Appeal, there is no way other than to pay the decree amount. As informed by the Legal Adviser, the amount Rs. 30,000/- in the year 2006 has now become more than Rs. 2,50,000/- hence the Legal Adviser requested the Vice Chancellor to take necessary steps to deposit the decree amount in the Court so as to avoid unnecessary proceedings of attachment, sale etc.

As per the Orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

The Syndicate considered the opinion of the Legal Advisor and **RESOLVED** to take immediate steps to deposit the decree amount of Rs.2,50,000/- (Rs. Two lakh and fifty thousand only) in the Court.

FURTHER RESOVLED to issue notice to the concerned officials regarding the loss caused to the exchequer due to their negligent actions.

Item No.13.77.Additional .01 Proposal for auction of the University Vehicle KL 01 AW 7960 (Mahindra Bolero) – scrap value assessed- reg.

Ad. AIV (A)

The Syndicate, vide item No.07.84.12 held on 28.12.2023 resolved to approve the following recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

- To approve the proposal submitted by the Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) for purchasing a new vehicle (Force Motors Trax Delivery Van) as a replacement of the vehicle KL 01 AW 7960 (Mahindra Bolero) specially for exam related purpose, through GeM Portal.
- To initiate the auction procedure for the vehicle KL 01 AW 7960 (Mahindra Bolero) immediately, as per the rules and norms.

Later, the Syndicate, at its meeting held on 15.02.2024, vide item No. 08.01 considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the Syndicate held on 28.12.2023 with the following modifications in item no. 07.84.12:

The first recommendation be corrected as 'to approve the proposal submitted by the Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) for purchasing of a new vehicle (Force Motors Traveller Delivery Van) as a replacement of the vehicle KL 01 AW 7960 (Mahindra Bolero) specially for exam related purposes, through GeM Portal'.

Accordingly, letter No.27380/Ad.AIV(A/2024/UOK was forwarded to the RTO, Thiruvananthapuram for assessing the value of the vehicle. The RTO, Thiruvananthapuram vide letter No. KL01 W/66/2024 dated 19.07.2024 informed that the Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector examined the vehicle bearing registration number KL 01 AW 7960 (Mahindra Bolero) and stated that the scrapped value of the vehicle is Rs.70,000/- (Rupees seventy thousand only). The date of registration of the vehicle is 24-11-2009 and would expire on 23-11-2024.

Therefore, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the proposal for conducting auction of the Vehicle KL 01 AW 7960 (Mahindra Bolero) at the scrapped value of Rs. 70,000/- (Rupees seventy thousand only) as assessed by RTO, Thiruvananthapuram, is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to conduct auction of the Vehicle KL 01 AW 7960 (Mahindra Bolero) at the scrapped value of Rs.70,000/- (Rupees Seventy Thousand only) as assessed by RTO, Thiruvananthapuram.

It was also recommended that, considering the exigency of the matter the above recommendation of the committee on Addl. Item No. 1 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.

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 on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be noted.

Item No.13.77.Additional .02 Sweeping & Cleaning in Senate House campus - Extension of the present contract or Inviting Fresh quotations -reg.

(Ad. BI)

The contract for the work of Sweeping and Cleaning of Buildings and Premises of Senate House Campus, Thiruvananthapuram is currently awarded to M/s Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd No.2245, for an amount of Rs. 4,11,230/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Only) inclusive of 18 % GST per month. Vide U.O 270/2024/UOK dated 08.01.2024, sanction was accorded by the Vice Chancellor to extend the term of contract of Sweeping and Cleaning work of Buildings & Premises of Senate House Campus, to M/s.Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-Operative Society Ltd No: 2245 for a period of another 11 months w.e.f 01.09.2023 to 31.07.2024 The contract period will end on 31.07.2024.

Following issues regarding the firm may be perused:

1. As per Clause 2.9 (a) in the agreement, one of the following documents to produce along with monthly invoice/bill before releasing payment of the CONTRACTOR's monthly bills is a Photocopy of wage register with stamp and signature of the employees. (Not produced).
2. As per Clause 2.19, the "CONTRACTOR" should have valid registration with labor department under relevant rules and regulations of the Contract Labour (Regulations & Abolition) Act 1970 and it is mandatory to furnish a copy of the registration certificate to the UNIVERSITY. Annual renewal of the registration is the responsibility of the "CONTRACTOR" and the UNIVERSITY will not entertain or engage the "CONTRACTOR" without any valid registration. (Not produced).

Hence, Vide letter No.13547/Admn.BI/2024/UOK dated 15.04.2024, M/s.Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd. No: T.2245 was directed to submit the following mandatory documents for releasing monthly payments in future which the firm have not submitted till date:

1. Photocopy of the Wage Register with stamp and signature of the employees.
2. Registration Certificate from the Labour Department under relevant rules and regulations of the Contract Labour (Regulation & Abolition) Act 1970. 3. Bio Data of all labourers deployed in the University.

Vide letter no: 13547/Admn BI/2024/UOK dated 30.04.2024, the firm was again directed to comply with the instructions intimated vide letter referenced above for the release of payment. The section has yet to receive the required documents mentioned above. Several sections of the University have submitted complaints regarding the work of the firm and file in this regard is currently under process. Payments for the months from March 2024 are sanctioned, agreeing that failure in producing mandatory documents by the firm may be taken up while submitting the file for the extension of contract with the firm. Vide letter dated 17.10.2023, Smt.Anila.R, (a former employee of the firm) has complained that the President, M/s. Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Workers Welfare Co-operative Society has dismissed her from duties without any reason and has not paid the special remuneration which was given to cleaning staff for their good service during NAAC visit despite her name is in the U.O No.7221/2023/UOK dated 22.08.2023. Also, a complaint from Sri. Sunil Kumar.C.S., addressed to the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education and Social Justice, has been forwarded to this Office, for consideration.

On the matter, the Legal Advisor was requested to offer remarks on the feasibility of extending the present contract with the firm for another 11 months w.e.f 01.08.2024 by modifying certain terms and conditions, requirements and specifications stipulated in the present agreement, in the best interest of the University and without detriment to the rights of the cleaning staff without inviting fresh quotations or whether to invite fresh quotations in this regard.

The Legal Advisor has opined that as per the Kerala University First Statutes, 1977, 'the Syndicate hold the power to enter into, vary, cancel and carry out contracts on behalf of the University. This gives the Syndicate the liberty to extend the contract or invite tenders as per Statute 3 (x) Chapter 6.' Therefore, the Syndicate has the discretion to extend the period of the contract or to invite new tenders.

However, in all cases the University must ensure that labour welfare provisions such as the Employees' State Insurance (ESI), Employees' Provident Fund (EPF), and minimum wages are strictly adhered to by the contractor. As held by the Hon'ble Apex Court, the rights and privileges of workers cannot be compromised or waived off while altering the terms of a Contract.

Therefore, extension of the Contract is legally feasible provided that the modifications do not fringe upon the rights of the cleaning staff and that labour welfare provisions are strictly adhered to.'

As per the orders of the Vice- Chancellor, the matter of inviting a fresh quotation or renewing the contract of Sweeping Cleaning work at Senate House campus with the existing firm i.e, M/s Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd No.2245 as opined by the Legal Advisor, is placed before the Standing Committee on Finance for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to renew the contract of sweeping and cleaning work of Buildings & Premises at Senate House Campus with the firm M/s.Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-operative Society Ltd. No. 2245, for a period of 11 months with effect from 01-08-2024 on the basis of the opinion offered by the Legal Advisor.

It was also recommended that, considering the exigency of the matter the above recommendation of the committee on Addl. Item No. 2 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.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVEDthat the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance held on 26.07.2024, be approved.

Item No.13.77.Additional .03 CLIF – Implementation of Projects titled 'Transformation of Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF) to a National Testing Centre' and 'Mathematical Modelling and Simulative Study Using MATLAB Campus Vide Licence Software Complete Tools (5 year Licence)' - Keeping the unutilized funds in the PD Account – Reg:-

(Pl. A1)

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor vide U. O. No. PL.A1/3147/2021/UOK dated 30.06.2021, to release an amount of Rs. 1,84,00,000/- (Rupees One crore eighty four Lakh only) as provisional advance to Prof. G.M Nair., Hon.Director, CLIF, towards the implementation of the following projects from the State Plan Grant sanctioned for the year 2021-22:

Sl No.	Title of the project	Scheme-component	Amount (Rs.)
1.	Transformation of Central Laboratory for Instrumentation and Facilitation (CLIF) to a National Testing Centre	Specific Project	1,65,00,000
2.	Innovative Project - Mathematical Modelling and Simulative Study Using MATLAB Campus Wide Licence Software Complete Tools (5 year Licence)	Innovative Project	19,00,000

The aforementioned U.O. was subsequently modified vide U. O. No. 4482/2021/UOK dated 01.09.2021, to enable the Provisional Advance be released to Dr. G. Subodh, the Joint Director, CLIF.

It may be noted that, as per the directions of Govt., all Heads/Hon. Directors were directed to take urgent necessary steps to transfer the funds in PD Accounts of various Principal Investigators, Departments and Centres, which are sanctioned under State Plan Grant on or before 31.03.2022, to the PSTSB Account of the respective Department/Centre and forward a Compliance Report in this regard, vide emails dated 30.03.2023, 04.04.2023, 03.10.2023 & 05.10.2023.

Subsequently, the Syndicate, vide Minutes of the Meeting held on 28.11.2023 (Item No. 06.79.13), has resolved the following:

- (1) To instruct all 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.
- (2) To direct all 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.

Accordingly, the matter was intimated to Heads/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres, vide email dated 06.12.2023.

Subsequently, as per the orders of Vice-Chancellor, general directions vide emails dated 12.02.2024 and 21.02.2024, were issued to all Principal Investigators/ Head of Departments/ Directors of Centres, directing to complete all projects/activities sanctioned under State Plan Grant till date and initiate regularisation process, before 28.02.2024 or else surrender the unutilized funds to the PSTSB Account of the Finance Office, if utilization cannot be assured by 28.02.2024, for settling pending payments.

Consequently, the Hon.Director, CLIF, vide Letter no. CLIF/OA/2024 dated 12.03.2024, has informed that an amount of Rs.8,96,883/- (Rupees Eight lakh ninety six thousand eight hundred and eighty three only) is currently available in the PD Account as unutilized under Plan fund, because some of the firms declined to provide the items envisaged under the sanctioned project.

Hence, an SBI Cheque bearing No.591570 dated 12.03.2024 was forwarded for an amount of Rs.8,96,883/- (Rupees Eight Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty Three only) in favour of Finance Officer and has requested to issue credit verification report for the same.

The Finance has remarked the following:

As per G.O(P).No.16/2023/Fin dated 20.02.2023 all offices including Government Departments, grant in aid institutions, boards, autonomous bodies, etc should remit back the fund kept with their bank account which is sourced from state budget on or before 31.03.2022 to its STSB/PSTSB account on or before 20.03.2023. Else, 'Liability would be computed and recovered from the present holder of the bank account for the period from the date of withdrawal of the parked fund from the Treasury to the date of remittance to Treasury'.

Now Treasury is not permitting the refund to the PSTSB a/c. Hence directions may be given to Hon. Director, CLIF to remit the balance amount to the Government a/c in Treasury (after ascertaining the correct h/a). Thereafter a clarification may be obtained from the Director, CLIF regarding the non remittance of balance amount on time to Treasury and a decision may be taken at the administrative regarding the penal interest as directed in the above G.O.

Subsequently, a letter was forwarded to the Director, CLIF, seeking clarification regarding the matter, vide Letter dated 23.05.2024.

The Director, vide email dated 03.07.2024 has given the following clarification:

1. Out of the total released amount of Rs. 1,84,00,000/- (Rupees One crore eighty four Lakh only), an amount of Rs.23,07451 was paid to Artco Ltd., Kerala for the lab furniture fabricated/ supplied.
2. As per the University instructions, a non-committed amount of Rs.83,98,506/- was surrendered to the PSTSB account.
3. From the remaining amount of Rs.76,94,043, CLIF had ordered various items/instruments for the laboratories in CLIF.
4. Although instruments worth Rs.76,94,043/- were ordered to different agencies, few of the firms had not supplied the items and hence only Rs. 67,97,160 were expended for the supplied items.
5. Hence, an amount of Rs.8,96,883/- was left unutilized in the PD Account of CLIF, owing to the non-supply of items.
6. CLIF had tried to remit the amount to the treasury account, which was not accepted and the same was the case with KUF remittance, as Plan Fund amounts cannot be remitted through the cash counter to KUF.

Hence, it was requested to permit the CLIF, either: (a) to remit the amount again to the treasury or (b) to utilize the amount through repeat orders of the equipment already supplied, as multiple items are needed in the laboratories for proper functioning.

In this context, as per the orders of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the following proposals are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, for consideration:

- (a) condone the action taken by the Joint Director, CLIF, in keeping the unutilized funds in the PD Account of CLIF despite repeated directions, considering that his actions were motivated by good intentions and aimed at ensuring the proper utilization of funds for the benefit of the ongoing projects.
- (b) permit the utilization of balance funds amounting to Rs.8,96,883/- (Rupees Eight lakh ninety six thousand eight hundred and eighty three only), towards the purchase of remaining various items in CLIF in connection with the Projects sanctioned vide U. O. No. PL.A1/3147/2021/UOK dated 30.06.2021.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above proposals be agreed to.

Item No.13.77.Additional.04 Department of Philosophy – Implementation of the Innovative Research Project ‘Spiritual to Scientific: an Analysis of the Concept of Humanism in Modern Indian Philosophy’ under State Plan Grant 21-22 - Keeping the unutilized funds as cash in hand – Reg:-

(PL.A1)

Sanction was accorded by Vice-Chancellor, to the release Provisional Advance of Rs.3,00,000/- (Rupees Three Lakhs only) to Dr. Balamurali P. B., Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, towards the Implementation of Innovative Research Project ‘Spiritual to Scientific: an Analysis of the Concept of Humanism in Modern Indian Philosophy’, under State Plan Grant 2021-22, vide U.O. No. 3147/2021/UOK dated 30.06.2021.

It may be noted that, as per the directions of Govt., all Heads/Hon. Directors were directed to take urgent necessary steps to transfer the funds in PD Accounts of various Principal Investigators, Departments and Centres, which are sanctioned under State Plan Grant on or before 31.03.2022, to the PSTSB Account of the respective Department/Centre and forward a Compliance Report in this regard, vide emails dated 30.03.2023, 04.04.2023, 03.10.2023&05.10.2023.

Subsequently, the Syndicate, vide Minutes of the Meeting held on 28.11.2023 (Item No. 06.79.13), has resolved the following:

- (1) To instruct all 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.
- (2) To direct all 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.

Accordingly, the matter was intimated to various Heads/Hon. Directors/Co-ordinators of Departments/ Centres, vide email dated 06.12.2023.

Subsequently, as per the orders of Vice-Chancellor, general directions vide emails dated 12.02.2024 and 21.02.2024, were issued to all Principal Investigators/ Head of Departments/ Directors of Centres, directing to complete all projects/activities sanctioned under State Plan Grant till date and initiate regularisation process, before 28.02.2024 or else surrender the unutilized funds to the PSTSB Account of the Finance Office, if utilization cannot be assured by 28.02.2024, for settling pending payments.

Dr. Balamurali P. B., Assistant Professor, vide Lr. dated 12.06.2024, has informed that, an unutilized amount of Rs. 31,278/- (Rupees Thirty-one thousand two hundred and seventy-eight only) from the funds sanctioned for the project titled "Spiritual to Scientific: An Analysis of the Concept of Humanism in Modern Indian Philosophy" under the State Plan Grant 2021-22, remains in his hand, owing to the rejection of the proposal for reappropriating the balance available under the project for other components. Hence, it is requested to provide necessary directions regarding the appropriate head of account and procedure to be followed for remitting the unutilized amount.

It may be noted that, Dr. Balamurali P.B., Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy had earlier forwarded a proposal for reallocating the excess amount available at that time under the project, amounting to Rs. 71,844/- (Rupees Seventy one thousand eight hundred and forty four only), to other heads, vide Lr. dated 10.08.2023.

The Syndicate, vide Minutes of the Meeting held on 28.12.2023 (Item No. 07.84.22) had resolved to direct the Principal Investigator to remit the excess amount to the PSTSB Account of the Finance Officer, as unutilized amount. The Vice- Chancellor has ordered to implement the aforementioned Resolution of the Syndicate. The said matter was intimated to Dr. Balamurali P. B., Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, and requested him to initiate regularisation process at the earliest, vide Letter No. 62206/Planning A1/2022/UOK dated 12.01.2024.

Considering the request from Dr. Balamurali, communicated vide letter dated 12.06.24, Finance has remarked the following:

“The balance available under the project is to be remitted to the PSTSB A/C. Since treasury is not permitting the refund, directions may be given to the Principal investigator to remit the cash in hand to the Government a/c in Treasury (after ascertaining the correct h/a).The authority to decide the correct h/a is Finance Department, Government of Kerala/ Treasury. Hence the matter may be addressed to the officials concerned accordingly”.

In this context, as per the orders of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the following proposals are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, for consideration and recommendations:

- (1) **to give directions to Dr. Balamurali P.B., Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, for remitting the unutilized amount of Rs. 31,278/- (Rupees Thirty-one thousand two hundred and seventy-eight only) from the provisional advance sanctioned for the project titled "Spiritual to Scientific: An Analysis of the Concept of Humanism in Modern Indian Philosophy" under the State Plan Grant 2021-22, which currently remains as cash in his hand, to the the Government Account in Treasury.**
- (2) **to direct the Finance Wing to ascertain the exact account details of the Government/ appropriate head of account to which the unutilized portion of the sanctioned plan funds should be remitted.**

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above proposals be agreed to.

Item No.13.77.Additional .05 School of Distance Education – Implementation of the Innovative Research Project ‘Akashavaniyum Malayala Sahityavum’ under the State Plan Grant for the year 2019-20 - Keeping the unutilized funds as cash in hand – Reg:-

(PLAI)

An amount of Rs.2,50,000/- (Rupees Two lakh fifty thousand only) was released to Dr.Suja.S., Assistant Professor in Malayalam, School of Distance Education, towards the implementation of Innovative Project titled 'Akashavaniyum Malayala Sahityavum', under the State Plan Grant for the year 2019-20, vide U.O. No. PL.A1/6148/2020/UOK dated 12.03.2020.

It may be noted that General Directions were given to all Principal Investigators, Heads of Departments and Directors of various Centres, vide email dated 12.01.2024&21.02.2024, to complete all projects sanctioned under State Plan Grant till 2021-22, and initiate regularisation process on or before 28.02.2024. It was also resolved to direct them to surrender the pending unutilized amount to PSTSB Account of the University, on 22.02.2024, if they are unable to complete the project before 28.02.2024.

Subsequently, the SDE Administration, vide email dated 23.02.2024, has forwarded the request from Dr. Suja S., Assistant Professor in Malayalam, School of Distance Education, informing the following:

- (1) The original bills and vouchers pertaining to the Innovative project ‘Akashavaniyum Malayala Sahityavum’ are kept ready for submitting for regularization.
- (2) As per the project proposal, an amount of Rs 37,0000/- has been earmarked for the purchase of Digital Camera. However, the Principal Investigator couldn't buy the digital camera mentioned in the estimated expenditure, since the one with the specification given by CLIF was unavailable.
- (3) Dr. Suja has tried to remit the unspent unutilized amount of Rs. 37,000/- (Rupees Thirty seven thousand only) earmarked for the purchase of Digital Camera, which has been kept as cash in hand, to the PSTSB account of the Finance Officer but the treasury authorities has informed that such transactions of refunds cannot be made with the PSTSB account.

Hence, it was requested to grant permission to Dr. Suja S., Assistant Professor in Malayalam, School of Distance Education, to remit the unutilized amount of Rs.37,000/- (Rupees Thirty seven thousand only), which has currently been kept as cash in hand, to the KUF, so that the bills may be submitted for regularization.

It may be noted that, all departments were repeatedly directed to transfer the balance amount in PD Accounts of Principal Investigators of various Projects & Head/Co-ordinator /Director of Department/Centre/Inter University Centre which are sanctioned under State Plan Grant, to the PSTSB Account of the respective Department/Centre, vide email dated 30.03.2023, 04.04.2023, 03.10.2023 &05.10.2023. The Director, SDE has also forwarded a compliance report in this regard.

The Finance has remarked the following:

- (1) Keeping the advance in hand even after repeated directions from Finance and Planning is a serious lapse from the side of Dr. Suja S., Assistant Professor in Malayalam, School of Distance Education and the Principal Investigator of the Project, and hence, necessary measures may be taken as directed vide G.O (P). No. 16/2023/FIN dated 20.02.2023.
- (2) At the first instance, direction be given to remit the unutilized amount of Rs. 37,0000/- (Rupees Thirty Seven thousand only), which still in possession of the Principal Investigator as Cash, to the Government Account in Treasury (after ascertaining the correct h/a).
- (3) After the remittance of unutilized amount Government Account in Treasury, decision regarding imposing penal interest on the Principal Investigator, may be taken at the administrative level.
- (4) As per G.O.(P) No.16/2023/Fin dated 20.02.2023, penal interest at 18% is to be calculated on the unutilized amount from the date of receipt of fund to the Principal Investigator's Account to the date of refund of balance amount to Treasury.

In this context, as per the orders of Honorable Vice-Chancellor, the following proposals are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance, for consideration and recommendations:

- (a) Whether to direct Dr. Suja S., Assistant Professor in Malayalam, School of Distance Education (now Associate Professor, Department of Kerala Studies) and the Principal Investigator of the Project "AkashavaniyumMalayalaSahityavum," to remit the unutilized amount of Rs. 37,000/- (Rupees Thirty-Seven Thousand only), currently in her possession as cash, to the Government Account in the Treasury (after ascertaining the correct head of account).
- (b) Whether to impose a penal interest on the Principal Investigator at the rate of 18%, which is to be calculated on the unutilized amount of Rs.37,000/- (Rupees Thirty-Seven Thousand only), from the date the funds were received in the Principal Investigator's account to the date the balance amount is refunded to the Treasury.
- (c) to direct the Finance Wing to ascertain the exact account details of the Government/ appropriate head of account to which the unutilized portion of the sanctioned funds should be remitted.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above proposals be agreed to.

Item No.13.77.Additional .06 സംഗീതവകുപ്പ് - സ്റ്റേജ് പെർഫോമൻസ് സ്ട്രാറ്റിജി പ്രൊവിഷണൽ പെയ്മെന്റ് - അനുവദിച്ചത് - റെഗുലറൈസേഷൻ ചെയ്യുന്നതുംബന്ധിച്ച്.

(Ad. Misc.)

സംഗീതവിഭാഗം അസോസിയേറ്റ് പ്രൊഫസർ ഹൈന്ദവ് ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ ഡെപാർട്ട്മെന്റിൽ (10/24-25/mus തീയതി 09.04.2024) എന്ന കത്തിലൂടെ, സ്റ്റേജ് പെർഫോമൻസ് പരിപാടി നടത്തുന്നതിന് 2,50,000/- രൂപ പ്രൊവിഷണൽ അഡ്വാൻസായി ലഭിച്ചിരുന്നതും, പ്രസ്തുത പരിപാടിക്ക് ചെലവായ തുകയുടെ ബില്ലുകളും വാച്ചുകളും സഹിതം പ്രൊവിഷണൽ പെയ്മെന്റ് റെഗുലറൈസേഷൻ ചെയ്യുന്നതും അപേക്ഷിച്ചിരുന്നു.

Ad Misc 2388/2024/UOK തീയതി 15.03.2024 എന്ന സർവകലാശാല ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം സ്റ്റേജ് പെർഫോമൻസ് പരിപാടി നടത്താൻ സംഗീതവിഭാഗം അസോസിയേറ്റ് പ്രൊഫസർ ഹൈന്ദവ് ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ ഡെപാർട്ട്മെന്റിൽ സംഗീതവിഭാഗം അസോസിയേറ്റ് പ്രൊഫസർ ഹൈന്ദവ് ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ ഡെപാർട്ട്മെന്റിൽ 2,50,000/- രൂപ പ്രൊവിഷണൽ അഡ്വാൻസായി അനുവദിച്ചിരുന്നതും റെഗുലറൈസേഷൻ വേണ്ടി ചെലവായ തുക 1,98,446/- രൂപ (ഒരു ലക്ഷത്തി തൊണ്ണൂറ്റൊട്ടായിരത്തി നാൻവതി നാല്പത്താറുപ) ആണെന്നും ബാലൻസ് കയ്യായ 51,554/- രൂപ (അൻപത്തൊന്നായിരത്തി അഞ്ഞൂറ്റി അൻപതി നാല് രൂപ) കെയു എസ് കെയു (ചെല്ലാൻ നമ്പർ 24265559 തീയതി 09.04.2024) തിരിച്ചടച്ചതിന്റെ രസീതും സഹിതം അപേക്ഷ സമർപ്പിച്ചിരുന്നു. ക്യാഷ് R സെക്ഷനിൽ നിന്നും ലഭ്യമായ ക്രെഡിറ്റ് റിപ്പോർട്ട് ഉൾപ്പെടെയുള്ള ബില്ലുകൾ പരിശോധിച്ച ഓഡിറ്റിംഗ് കലാകാരന്മാരുടെ പ്രതിഫലത്തിൽ പിഴവുണ്ടി കാട്ടുകയുണ്ടായി. ആർട്ടിസ്റ്റുകൾക്ക് 15,000/- രൂപ (വാച്ചർ നമ്പർ 11), 45,000/- രൂപ (വാച്ചർ നമ്പർ 15) എന്നിങ്ങനെ പ്രതിഫലം നൽകിയതിന്റെ വിശദീകരണവും ഭരണാനുമതിയും ഓഡിറ്റിംഗ് ആവശ്യപ്പെടുകയുണ്ടായി.

ശ്രീകവാലം ശ്രീകുമാർ (Vr.No.11), ശ്രീമതി വിദ്യകല്യാണരാമൻ (Vr.No.15) എന്നിവർ മികച്ച ഗ്രേഡ് ആർട്ടിസ്റ്റുകളാണെന്നും, വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ അക്കാദമിക് ക്ലേശത്തിനായി ഓരോ പ്രോഗ്രാമിനും ഈ മേഖലയിലെ വ്യത്യസ്ത കഴിവുള്ളവരുമായ കലാകാരന്മാരെയും സെലിബ്രിറ്റികളെയുമാണ് ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുന്നതെന്നും, അവരുടെ ഗ്രേഡും പൊതുജനാഭിപ്രായവും അനുസരിച്ച് അവരുടെ ആവശ്യത്തിനു സരിച്ച് അവർക്ക് പണം നൽകണമെന്നും, ഈ റിസോഴ്സ് പേഴ്സൺമാരെല്ലാം പിന്നണിഗായകരും കർണാടക സംഗീതജ്ഞരായ സെലിബ്രിറ്റികളാണെന്നും, കലാകാരന്മാരുടെ ചർച്ചാ വിഷയങ്ങൾ, പൊതുസീകാര്യത, ഗ്രേഡ് എന്നിവ അനുസരിച്ച് പ്രതിഫലം വ്യത്യസ്തമായിരിക്കുമെന്നും, മുൻവർഷങ്ങളിലും മുൻകൂർ ഭരണാനുമതി ലഭിച്ചിട്ടില്ലായെന്നും സംഗീതവിഭാഗം ഹൈന്ദവ് ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ 53/24-25/Mus തീയതി 05.06.2024 എന്ന കത്തിലൂടെ വിശദീകരിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു. ടിവിശദീകരണത്തിൽ ഭരണാനുമതി ആവശ്യമാണെന്ന് ഓഡിറ്റിംഗ് അറിയിക്കുകയുണ്ടായി. ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഹൈന്ദവ് ഇൻഫർമേഷൻ പ്രസ്തുത വിഷയം പരിശോധിക്കുകയും

സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ സ്റ്റാന്റിംഗ് കമ്മിറ്റിയായ ഫിനാൻസ് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ പരിഗണനയ്ക്കു സമർപ്പിക്കുവാൻ ഉത്തരവാകുകയും ചെയ്തു.

ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട വൈസ് ചാൻസിലറുടെ ഉത്തരവിൻപ്രകാരം പ്രസ്തുതവിഷയം സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ സ്റ്റാന്റിംഗ് കമ്മിറ്റിയായ ഫിനാൻസ് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ പരിഗണനയ്ക്കായി സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate
RESOLVED to hear Dr.Bindhu K (Rtd.), Associate Professor and Head, Department of Music on the matter by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

Item No.13.77 Additional .07 സംഗീതവകുപ്പ് - ലെക്ചർ & ഡോക്യുമെന്റേഷൻ നടത്തിപ്പിന് പ്രൊവിഷണൽ പേയ്മെന്റ് - അനുവദിച്ചത് - റെഗുലറൈസേഷൻ ചെയ്യുന്നതുംബന്ധിച്ച്.

(Ad. Misc.)

സംഗീതവിഭാഗം അസോസിയേറ്റ് പ്രൊഫസറും ഹെഡ് ഇൻചാർജ്ജുമായിരുന്ന ഡോ. ബിന്ദു കെ (11/24-25/mus തീയതി 09.04.2024) എന്നകത്തിലൂടെ, ലെക്ചർ & ഡോക്യുമെന്റേഷൻ പരിപാടി നടത്തുന്നതിന് 2,50,000/- രൂപ പ്രൊവിഷണൽ അഡ്വാൻസായി ലഭിച്ചിരുന്നെന്നും, പ്രസ്തുത പരിപാടിക്ക് ചെലവായ തുകയുടെ ബില്ലുകളും വാച്ചറുകളും സഹിതം പ്രൊവിഷണൽ പേയ്മെന്റ് റെഗുലറൈസേഷൻ ചെയ്തു നൽകണമെന്നും അപേക്ഷിച്ചിരുന്നു.

Ad Misc 2379/2024/UOK തീയതി 15.03.2024 എന്ന സർവകലാശാല ഉത്തരവ് പ്രകാരം ലെക്ചർ & ഡോക്യുമെന്റേഷൻ പരിപാടി നടത്താൻ സംഗീതവിഭാഗം അസോസിയേറ്റ് പ്രൊഫസറും ഹെഡ് ഇൻചാർജ്ജുമായ ഡോ. ബിന്ദു കെ അവാർഡുകൾക്ക് 2,50,000/- രൂപ പ്രൊവിഷണൽ അഡ്വാൻസായി അനുവദിച്ചിരുന്ന റെഗുലറൈസേഷൻ വേണ്ടി ചെലവായ തുക 1,29,860/- രൂപ (ഒരു ലക്ഷത്തി ഇരുത്തൊൻ പതിനായിരത്തി എണ്ണറ്റി അറുപ തൂപ) ആണെന്നും ബാലൻസ് കയായ 1,20,140/- രൂപ (ഒരു ലക്ഷത്തി ഇരുപത്തിനായിരത്തി ഒരു നൂറ്റി നാല്പതുപ) കെയു എസ് സിക്ക് (ചെല്ലാൻ നമ്പർ 24287269 തീയതി 09.04.2024) തിരിച്ചടച്ചതിന്റെ രസീതും സഹിതം അപേക്ഷ സമർപ്പിച്ചിരുന്നു. ക്യാഷ് R സെക്ഷനിൽ നിന്നും ലഭ്യമായ ക്രെഡിറ്റ് റിപ്പോർട്ട് ഉൾപ്പെടെയുള്ള ബില്ലുകൾ പരിശോധിച്ച ഓഡിറ്റിംഗ് വിഭാഗം കലാകാരന്മാരുടെ പ്രതിഫലത്തിൽ പിഴവു ചൂണ്ടികാട്ടുകയുണ്ടായി. പ്രതീക്ഷിത ചെലവ് സ്റ്റേറ്റ് മെന്റിൽ ഡെമോൺസ്ട്രേഷൻ കച്ചേരികൾക്കുള്ള റിസോഴ്സേഴ്സു സൺമാർക്ക് പ്രതിഫലമായി 50,000/- രൂപമാത്രമേ ക്ലെയിം ചെയ്തിട്ടുള്ളുവെന്നും എന്നാൽ ബില്ലുകളിൽ കലാകാരന്മാരുടെ പ്രതിഫലത്തിൽ (കെ എൽ ശ്രീറാം 33,000/- രൂപ, ഡോ. ജി. ബേബി ശ്രീറാം 30,000/- രൂപ) 63,000/- രൂപ രേഖപ്പെടുത്തിയിരിക്കുന്നതിന്റെ വിശദീകരണവും ഭരണാനുമതിയും ഓഡിറ്റിംഗ് വിഭാഗം ആവശ്യപ്പെടുകയുണ്ടായി.

ശ്രീ. കെ എൽ ശ്രീറാം (Vr.No.01), ശ്രീമതി. ബേബി ശ്രീറാം (Vr.No.02) മികച്ച ഗ്രേഡഡ് ആർട്ടിസ്റ്റുകളാണെന്നും, വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ അക്കാദമിക് ക്ലേശത്തിനായി ഓരോ പ്രോഗ്രാമിനും ഈ മേഖലയിലെ വ്യത്യസ്തരും കഴിവുള്ളവരുമായ കലാകാരന്മാരെയും സെലിബ്രിറ്റികളെയുമാണ് ഉൾപ്പെടുത്തുന്നതെന്നും, അവരുടെ ഗ്രേഡും പൊതുജനാഭിപ്രായവും അനുസരിച്ച് അവരുടെ ആവശ്യത്തിനനുസരിച്ച് അവർക്ക് പണം നൽകണമെന്നും, ഈ റിസോഴ്സ് പ്ലേൺമാരെല്ലാം പിന്നണിഗായകരും കർണാടക സംഗീതജ്ഞരുമായ സെലിബ്രിറ്റികളാണെന്നും, കലാകാരന്മാരുടെ ചർച്ചാവിഷയങ്ങൾ, പൊതുസീക്കാര്യത, ഗ്രേഡ് എന്നിവ അനുസരിച്ച് പ്രതിഫലം വ്യത്യസ്തമായിരിക്കുമെന്നും, മുൻവർഷങ്ങളിലും മുൻകൂർ ഭരണാനുമതി ലഭിച്ചിട്ടില്ലായെന്നും സംഗീതവിഭാഗം ഹെഡ് ഇൻചാർജ്ജ് 55/24-25/Mus തീയതി 05.06.2024 എന്ന കത്തിലൂടെ വിശദീകരിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു. ടി. വിശദീകരണത്തിൽ ഭരണാനുമതി ആവശ്യമാണെന്ന് ഓഡിറ്റിംഗ് വിഭാഗം അറിയിക്കുകയുണ്ടായി. ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട വൈസ് ചാൻസിലർ പ്രസ്തുതവിഷയം പരിശോധിക്കുകയും സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ സ്റ്റാന്റിംഗ് കമ്മിറ്റിയായ ഫിനാൻസ് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ പരിഗണനയ്ക്കായി സമർപ്പിക്കുവാൻ ഉത്തരവാകുകയും ചെയ്തു.

ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട വൈസ് ചാൻസിലറുടെ ഉത്തരവിൻപ്രകാരം പ്രസ്തുതവിഷയം സിൻഡിക്കേറ്റിന്റെ സ്റ്റാന്റിംഗ് കമ്മിറ്റിയായ ഫിനാൻസ് കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ പരിഗണനയ്ക്കായി സമർപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the item to the Syndicate.

The meeting came to an end at 6.15 p m.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to hear Dr.Bindhu K (Rtd.), Associate Professor and Head, Department of Music on the matter by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance.

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Item No.13.78 to 13.119 **Referred to next Syndicate**
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Item No.13.120 **Case before the Hon'ble Supreme Court - Request for engaging a high profile Senior Advocate - Representation received from the Kerala University Employees' Union and the Kerala University Staff Association – Ratification of the engagement of a Senior Counsel on 20/08/2024 and payment of professional fees- reg.**

(Ad.A1)

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala vide Judgment dated 21.03.2024 in WA. No.1266/2020 & connected cases set aside the Judgment dated 08.09.2020 of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP (C) No. 1366/2018 & connected cases and ordered that passing the departmental tests is mandatory for declaration of probation and thereafter for promotion to the higher grades/posts and that probation shall be declared and promotion granted based on the relevant provisions of the KS&SSR and also ordered to quash the following orders.

- (1) U.O.No.Ad.AI.2.6765/17 dated 23.02.2017
- (2) U.O.No.Ad.AI.1.7401/2017.1 dated 16.08.2017
- (3) U.O.No.Ad.AI.2/6765/18 dated 03.01.2018

As stipulated in the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala that the declaration of probation and grant of promotions to the Assistants in the University shall be based on Rules 28(a) (i); 28 (iA) ; 28 (bb) and 28 (bbb) of the KS & SSR., University issued orders granting promotion to the Assistants who have successfully declared their probation (after passing Secretariat Manual Test) and passed Account Test, to the cadre of Assistants (Sr. Gr.) from 2009 onwards and subsequent promotions to the cadres of Assistants (Sel. Gr.), Section Officers and Section Officers (Hr. Gr.) vide U.O. No.Ad.AI .3142/2024/UOK dated 09.04.2024, based on the aforementioned Rules.

A case is filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court by a few University employees against the University as well as some other employees. (S.L.P.(C)Nos.18041-18050 of 2024 filed by Lyn James and Others).

In this connection, the Kerala University Employees Union and The Kerala University Staff Association, by referring to the resolution of the Syndicate held on 1963 mandating the passing of obligatory departmental test and the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala upholding the existing practice in the University that passing the departmental tests is mandatory for declaration of probation and thereafter for promotion to the higher grades/posts, has highly stressed on the need to defend the stand held by the University before the Hon'ble Supreme Court, as any adverse judgment passed by the Apex Court against the judgment of the Division Bench, will in turn affect the entire administrative system of the University. In this context it is proposed to avail the service of a high profile Senior Advocate by the University to protect the settled stand of the University.

The lists of Senior Advocates provided by the Kerala University Employees Union and Kerala University Staff Association, for consideration, are as follows:

I) The Kerala University Employees Union

1. Adv.K.K. Venugopal
2. Adv.Chander Uday Singh
3. Adv.V. Chidambaresh

II) The Kerala University Staff Association

1. Adv.Jaidep Gupta
2. Adv.Sobha Gupte
3. Adv.Krishnan Venugopal
4. Adv. V.Chidambaresh
5. Adv.Dr.S.Muralidhar
6. Adv.Sidhartha Dave
7. Adv.Meenakshi Arora

8. Adv.Maninder Sigh
9. Adv.Pallav Shishodia
10. Adv.Rana Mugharjee

It may be noted that, in the Official Website of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, it is shown that- 'tentatively case may be listed on (likely to be listed on) 24.09.2024'.

When the SLP(C) No. 18041-18050/2024 filed by Lyn James and ors. came to the notice of the University, the Vice Chancellor had ordered to file caveat petition in the Hon'ble Supreme Court and to engage a senior lawyer practicing in Supreme Court to take care of the case.

Accordingly, Senior Advocate, Sri. Shailesh Madiyal appeared on behalf of the University before the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 20.08.2024 and has furnished the bill for payment of Rs.2,20,000/- (Rs. Two lakh twenty thousand only) for his appearance. The Standing Counsel has also submitted the bill towards Professional Fees and expenses for filing vakalath and also fee towards Advocate on Record appearing before the above cases, amounting to Rs. 55,000/-(Fifty five thousand only).

Also, the Standing Counsel vide the letter dated 28.08.2024 (enclosed herewith) has stated that;

On 20/8/2024, when the matter came up, the prayer for staying the judgment in the writ appeals was resisted by the Senior Counsel, Shri.Shailesh Madiyal on the basis of the instructions given to him by the Counsel appearing for the University. His engagement proved to be effective, as despite the very strong submissions by Senior Counsel Shri. V Giri for the Appellants, Shri.Shailesh Madiyal could succeed in persuading the Hon'ble Judges not to grant any stay against the judgment in the writ appeals impugned in the SLP.

Recovery was directed to be stopped mainly because the same was done without any direction from the High Court for effecting the same. This prohibition on recovery was oral and provisional, subject to the final outcome of the SLPs. That issue was also tackled very effectively by our Senior Counsel as any insistence on continuing recovery would have in all likelihood resulted in the stay of the judgment in the writ appeals.

In this context, it may be noted that, as the previous U.O.s granting promotions were cancelled on implementing the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court and the promotion date of some of the officers changed to a later date consequent to the issuance of the U O dated 09.04.2024; recovery on excess payment is indispensable in such cases as per the relevant service rules. Thus, recovery is not done as per the orders of the High Court, but is the natural situation that arose consequent to the issuance of the U.O. granting promotions in compliance with the Judgment of the Division Bench.

The Standing Counsel has also stated that the Senior Counsel appearing before the petitioners is a high profile Lawyer and his fees is also higher (to the tune of Rs.5.5 lakh and above) per sitting and that if there is a confusion, a decision has to be taken on the highest fees the University can pay so that a list of Senior Counsel can be drawn up based on the same. It is further stated that there is no doubt that all such seniors will be effective in their performance.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the following matters are placed before the Syndicate for consideration:

1. Representations by the Kerala University Employees' Union and the Kerala University Staff Association with a panel of Senior Advocates as detailed above, requesting to engage a high profile Senior Advocate by the University for appearing before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to protect the settled stand of the University and the Judgment dated 21.03.2024 of the Division Bench of the Hon'ble High Court.
2. Ratification of the engagement of Shri.Shailesh Madiyal, Senior Counsel, in the Apex Court on 20.08.2024 and payment of his professional fees amounting to Rs.2,20,000/- (Rs. Two lakh twenty thousand only) for his appearance.
3. Payment to the Standing Counsel towards Professional Fees and expenses for filing vakalath and also fee towards Advocate on Record appearing before the above cases, amounting to Rs.55,000/- (Fifty five thousand only).

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the Senior Advocate suggested by the Standing Counsel for appearing before the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the SLP(C) No. 18041-18050/2024 be approved. Also stated that any change of Advocate, if needed, shall be considered in due course.

FURTHER RESOLVED to ratify the engagement of Shri. Shailesh Madiyal, Senior Counsel, in the Apex Court on 20.08.2024 and payment of his professional fees amounting to Rs.2,20,000/- (Rs. Two lakh twenty thousand only) for his appearance.

ALSO RESOLVED to release the payment of Rs.55,000/- (Fifty five thousand only) to the Standing Counsel towards Professional Fees, expenses for filing vakalath and fee towards Advocate on Record, appearing before the above cases.

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Item No.13.121 **SLP (C) No. 18041-18050 of 2024: Lyn James and ors. Versus University of Kerala and ors - intimation received from the Standing Counsel- for consideration-reg.**

(Ad.A1)

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala vide Judgment dated 21.03.2024 in WA. No.1266/2020 & connected cases set aside the Judgment dated 08.09.2020 of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP (C) No. 1366/2018 & connected cases and ordered that passing the departmental tests is mandatory for declaration of probation and thereafter for promotion to the higher grades/posts and that probation shall be declared and promotion granted based on the relevant provisions of the KS&SSR and also ordered to quash the following orders.

- (1) U.O.No.Ad.AI.2.6765/17 dated 23.02.2017
- (2) U.O.No.Ad.AI.1.7401/2017.1 dated 16.08.2017
- (3) U.O.No.Ad.AI.2/6765/18 dated 03.01.2018

As stipulated in the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala that the declaration of probation and grant of promotions to the Assistants in the University shall be based on Rules 28(a) (i); 28 (iA) ; 28 (bb) and 28 (bbb) of the KS & SSR., University issued orders granting promotion to the Assistants who have successfully declared their probation (after passing Secretariat Manual Test) and passed Account Test, to the cadre of Assistants (Sr. Gr.) from 2009 onwards and subsequent promotions to the cadres of Assistants (Sel. Gr.), Section Officers and Section Officers (Hr. Gr.) vide U.O. No.Ad.AI .3142/2024/UOK dated 09.04.2024, based on the aforementioned Rules. As the previous U.O.s granting promotions were cancelled on implementing the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court and the promotion date of some of the officers changed to a later date consequent to the issuance of the U O dated 09.04.2024, recovery on excess payment is indispensable in such cases as per the relevant service rules.

A case is filed before the Hon'ble Supreme Court by a few University employees against the University as well as some other employees. (S.L.P.(C)Nos.18041-18050 of 2024 filed by Lyn James and Others).

The Standing Counsel vide Lr. Dated 24/08/2024, has forwarded the communication (vide email dated 20/09/2024) received from Sri. Shailesh Madiyal, Senior Counsel, referring to the subject - SLP (C) No. 18041/2024: LYN JAMES AND ORS. Versus UNIVERSITY OF KERALA AND ORS., informing to apprise the Officers of the University and the Vice-Chancellor, of the oral directions given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 20.08.2024, not to recover any amounts from the employees and to ensure that no amounts are recovered pursuant to the impugned judgment of the Hon'ble High Court. The Standing Counsel has also requested to take the necessary steps to comply with the above oral directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

In this connection, the following Orders (1 to 8) detailed in the Record of proceedings dated 20.08.2024 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the petitions for Special Leave to Appeal (C) Nos.18041-18050/2024 (arising out of the final judgment and order dated 21-03-2024 in WA No. 1266/2020, WA No. 1267/2020, WA No. 1270/2020, WA No. 1287/2020, WA No. 1379/2020, WA No. 1430/2020, WA No. 1437/2020, WA No. 1454/2020, WA No. 1465/2020 & WA No. 1494/2020 passed by the High Court of Kerala), may be noted:

1. Heard the learned Senior counsel – Mr. V. Giri appearing for the petitioners and perused the material placed on record.
2. Issue notice, returnable after four weeks.

3. Mr. P.S. Sudheer, learned Advocate-on-Record, who is on caveat, accepts notice on behalf of Respondent Nos.22 to 24. Hence, formal notice to the said respondents is dispensed with.
4. Mr. Shailesh Madiyal, learned Senior counsel appearing with Mr. Lakshmeesh S. Kamath, learned Advocate-on-Record, has instructions to appear for Respondent No.1 – University and accepts the notice. Hence, formal notice to the said respondent is dispensed with.
5. Notices to the rest of the respondents be served.
6. The respondents may file their respective counter affidavits.
7. The learned Senior counsel for the petitioners also seeks permission to file the Interlocutory Application bringing on record the subsequent events.
8. He may do so within two weeks from today.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the communication received from Sri. Shailesh Madiyal, Senior Counsel, informing to apprise the Officers of the University and the Vice-Chancellor, of the oral directions given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 20.08.2024- to ensure that no amounts are recovered from the employees pursuant to the impugned judgment of the Hon'ble High Court, as informed by the Standing Counsel, and the request of the Standing Counsel to take necessary steps to comply with the above oral directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to comply with the oral direction of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the SLP(C) No. 18041-18050/2024 as conveyed by the Standing Counsel.

Additional Item No.1

Re-constitution of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate- reg

(Ac.A.I)

The Syndicate **RESOLVED** to re-constitute the following Standing Committees of the Syndicate as detailed below:

1. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance

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| 1. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G | (Convenor) |
| 2. Prof.(Dr.) K.G.Gopchandran | (Member) |
| 3. Prof.(Dr.) P.M.Radhamany | ” |
| 4. Dr.S.Nazeeb | ” |
| 5. Dr.S.Jayan | ” |
| 6. Dr.T.R.Manoj | ” |
| 7. Adv.R.B. Rajeev Kumar | ” |
| 8. Dr.Shijukhan. J.S | ” |
| 9. Sri.R.Rajesh | ” |
| 10. Sri.Ajay D.N | ” |

2. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment and Building

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| 1. Dr.Shijukhan. J.S | (Convenor) |
| 2. Prof.(Dr.) K.G.Gopchandran | (Member) |
| 3. Dr.S.Jayan | ” |
| 4. Dr.S.Nazeeb | ” |
| 5. Dr.Pramod N | ” |
| 6. Dr.M.Lenin Lal | ” |
| 7. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G | ” |
| 8. Adv.R.B. Rajeev Kumar | ” |
| 9. Sri.R.Rajesh | ” |
| 10. Sri.Ajay D.N | ” |

3. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic and Research

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| 1. | Prof.(Dr.) K.G.Gopchandran | (Convenor) |
| 2. | Prof.(Dr.) P.M.Radhamany | (Member) |
| 3. | Prof.(Dr.) Prakash K.C | ” |
| 4. | Prof.(Dr.) Manoj V | ” |
| 5. | Dr.S.Nazeeb | ” |
| 6. | Dr.T.R.Manoj | ” |
| 7. | Dr.Pramod N | ” |
| 8. | Dr.S.Jayan | ” |
| 9. | Dr.Rahim K | ” |
| 10. | Dr.Vinodkumar T.G. Nair | ” |
| 11. | Dr.Shijukhan. J.S | ” |
| 12. | Dr.M.Lenin Lal | ” |
| 13. | Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G. | “ |
| 14. | Sri.Ahamed Fazil Y | ” |

4. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Planning and Development

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| 1. | Dr.S.Nazeeb | (Convenor) |
| 2. | Prof.(Dr.) K.G.Gopchandran | (Member) |
| 3. | Prof.(Dr.) P.M.Radhamany | ” |
| 4. | Dr.T.R.Manoj | ” |
| 5. | Dr.S.Jayan | ” |
| 6. | Dr.Vinodkumar T.G. Nair | ” |
| 7. | Dr.Rahim K | ” |
| 8. | Dr.M.Lenin Lal | ” |
| 9. | Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G. | ” |
| 10. | Adv.R.B. Rajeev Kumar | ” |
| 11. | Sri.R.Rajesh | ” |
| 12. | Sri.Ajay D.N | ” |
| 13. | Sri.Ahamed Fazil Y | ” |
| 14. | Sri.P.S.Gopakumar | ” |

5. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations

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| 1. | Dr.Rahim K | (Convenor) |
| 2. | Prof.(Dr.) K.G.Gopchandran | (Member) |
| 3. | Prof.(Dr.) P.M.Radhamany | ” |
| 4. | Prof.(Dr.) Prakash K.C. | ” |
| 5. | Prof.(Dr.) Manoj V | ” |
| 6. | Dr.S.Jayan | ” |
| 7. | Dr.T.R.Manoj | ” |
| 8. | Dr.Pramod N | ” |
| 9. | Dr.S.Nazeeb | ” |
| 10. | Dr.Vinodkumar T.G. Nair | ” |
| 11. | Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G | ” |
| 12. | Sri.R.Rajesh | ” |
| 13. | Sri.P.S.Gopakumar | ” |
| 14. | Sri.Ahamed Fazil Y | ” |

6. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Students' Discipline

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| 1. | Dr.Pramod N | (Convenor) |
| 2. | Prof.(Dr.) P.M.Radhamany | (Member) |

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| 3. Prof.(Dr.) Prakash K.C. | ” | ” |
| 4. Prof.(Dr.) Manoj V | ” | ” |
| 5. Dr.S.Jayan | ” | ” |
| 6. Dr.T.R.Manoj | ” | ” |
| 7. Dr.Rahim K | ” | ” |
| 8. Dr.Vinodkumar T.G. Nair | ” | ” |
| 9. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G | ” | ” |
| 10. Sri.R.Rajesh | ” | ” |
| 11. Sri.P.S.Gopakumar | ” | ” |
| 12. Sri.Ahamed Fazil Y | ” | ” |

7. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges

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| 1. Sri.R.Rajesh | (Convenor) |
| 2. Prof.(Dr.) Manoj V | (Member) |
| 3. Dr.S.Nazeeb | ” |
| 4. Dr.Shijukhan J.S | ” |
| 5. Dr.Pramod N | ” |
| 6. Dr.Rahim K | ” |
| 7. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G | ” |
| 8. Adv.R.B. Rajeev Kumar | ” |
| 9. Sri.Ajay D.N | ” |
| 10. Sri.Ahammed Fazal | ” |

8. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff of Private Colleges

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| 1. Dr.T.R.Manoj | (Convenor) |
| 2. Prof.(Dr.) P.M.Radhamany | (Member) |
| 3. Prof.(Dr.) K.G.Gopchandran | ” |
| 4. Prof.(Dr.) Prakash K.C. | ” |
| 5. Prof.(Dr.) Manoj V | ” |
| 6. Dr.S.Jayan | ” |
| 7. Dr.Pramod N | ” |
| 8. Dr.Shijukhan J.S | ” |
| 9. Dr.Rahim K | ” |
| 10. Dr.M.Lenin Lal | ” |
| 11. Sri.Ajay D.N | ” |
| 12. Sri.P.S.Gopakumar | ” |
| 13. Sri.Ahamed Fazil Y | ” |

9. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Departments and Other Institutions of the University

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| 1. Adv.R.B. Rajeev Kumar | (Convenor) |
| 2. Dr.Pramod N | (Member) |
| 3. Dr.Vinodkumar T.G. Nair | ” |
| 4. Dr.Shijukhan J.S | ” |
| 5. Dr. M.Lenin Lal | ” |
| 6. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G | ” |
| 7. Sri.R.Rajesh | ” |
| 8. Sri.P.S.Gopakumar | ” |
| 9. Sri.Ahamed Fazil Y | ” |

10. Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Students' Services

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| 1. Prof.(Dr.) P.M.Radhamany | (Convenor) |
| 2. Prof.(Dr.) Prakash K.C. | (Member) |
| 3. Dr.Vinodkumar T.G. Nair | " |
| 4. Dr.Shijukhan J.S | " |
| 5. Dr. M.Lenin Lal | " |
| 6. Adv.R.B. Rajeev Kumar | " |
| 7. Sri.R.Rajesh | " |
| 8. Sri.Ajay D.N | " |
| 9. Sri.P.S.Gopakumar | " |

Dr.S.Jayan, Dr.Vinodkumar T.G. Nair and Sri.P.S.Gopakumar, Members Syndicate expressed their dissent.

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REGISTRAR

VICE-CHANCELLOR

University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram,
31.08.2024



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

Preliminary Minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 05.11.2024 and 11.11.2024

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

Place of Meeting : University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram

Time : 10.00 AM

Members Present:

1. Dr. Mohanan Kunnnumal (*In the Chair*)
Vice-Chancellor

Members Present: 05.11.2024 – 10.00 AM

1. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G
2. Sri.R. Rajesh
3. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
4. Dr.Manoj T.R
5. Dr.Shijukhan J.S.
6. Dr.M. Leninlal
7. Sri.Ahamad Fazil. Y
8. Dr.S.Jayan
9. Sri.Ajay D.N
10. Dr. Vinodkumar T.G.Nair
11. Sri.P.S.Gopakumar
12. Prof.(Dr.) Prakash K.C
13. Dr.K.Rahim.
14. Prof.Manoj V
15. Dr.Pramod N
16. Dr.S.Nazeeb
17. Adv.R.B.Rajeev Kumar
18. Dr.P.M. Radhamany
19. Sri.Rajesh Kumar M., Additional Secretary,
Electronics and Information Technology Department

Members Present: 11.11.2024 - 11.30 AM

1. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai G
2. Sri.R. Rajesh
3. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
4. Dr.Manoj T.R
5. Sri.Ahamad Fazil. Y
6. Dr.S.Jayan
7. Sri.P.S.Gopakumar
8. Dr. Vinodkumar T.G.Nair
9. Prof.Manoj V
10. Dr.K.Rahim.
11. Dr.Pramod N
12. Dr.S.Nazeeb
13. Adv.R.B.Rajeev Kumar
14. Sri.Ajay D.N
15. Dr.Shijukhan J.S.
16. Dr.M. Leninlal
17. Dr.P.M. Radhamany

Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 05.11.2024 and 11.11.2024 is place before the Syndicate except Item Nos.15.144.05 and 15.161. Decision for the items (Item Nos.15.144.05 and 15.161) was not authenticated by the Vice-Chancellor. The resolution of the Syndicate is reported to the Hon'ble Chancellor exercising the powers under section 10(8),(11) and (16) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

Item No. 15.01 **Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the 13th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 31.08.2024-reg.**

(Ac.A.I)

The Syndicate considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the 13th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 31.08.2024 with the following modifications:

Item No.13.20.06 Recommendation be corrected as *The Committee considered the matter and recommended to implement the directions of the Bar Council of India rendered vide circular dated 20.05.2024 in toto.*

(Ac.BII)

Item No.13.77.21 Resolution be added “**FURTHER RESOLVED** to approve the revised proposal submitted by Dr.Nithya N.R., Hon. Director of Dr. VK Sukumaran Nayar Chair for Parliamentary Affairs for conducting two day national seminar, for an estimate of Rs.1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only)”.

(Ad.AVI/ Ac.EIII)

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