



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
Preliminary Minutes of the Special Meeting of the
Syndicate held on 15.07.2022

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

Place of Meeting : University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram
Time : 11.30 AM

Members Present:

1. Prof.(Dr.) V.P.Mahadevan Pillai (*In the Chair*)
Vice-Chancellor
2. Prof.(Dr.) P.P.Ajayakumar
Pro-Vice-Chancellor
3. Sri.M.S.Arun Kumar
4. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
5. Adv. Muraleedharan Pillai G.
6. Adv.K.H.Babujan
7. Sri.Jairaj.J
8. Sri.Arunkumar R
9. Sri.Bijukumar.G
10. Adv.B.Balachandran
11. Dr.K.B.Manoj
12. Dr.M.Vijayan Pillai
13. Dr.S.Nazeeb
14. Sri.B.P.Murali
15. Prof.K.Lalitha

Item No.01 **Senate Interpellations for the Meeting of the Senate scheduled on 23rd July, 2022 – reg.**

(Ac.AI)

The answers to the questions given notice by the Members of the Senate for the meeting of the Senate scheduled to be held on 23rd July, 2022 are given as Appendix for consideration and approval.

(Ac.A.I.)

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the draft answers to the questions to be answered at the next meeting of the Senate scheduled to be held on 23rd July, 2022, be approved with modifications.

Item No.02 **Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 11.07.2022 – Approval of- reg.**

(Ac.BII)

The minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on **11.07.2022** is appended.

In view of exigency, the committee recommended that recommendation in **item no.02** in the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on **11.07.2022** may be approved by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

Hence in view of the exigency of the matter, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has approved the recommendation in **item no.02** in the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on **11.07.2022**.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the recommendation in **item no.02** in the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on **11.07.2022** is reported to the Syndicate and the recommendations on remaining items (1, 3, 4 & 5) in the minutes are placed before the Syndicate for approval.

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

Date and Time : 11.07.2022, 10:30 AM
Venue : Syndicate Room, University Buildings, Palayam

Members Present

1. Adv.Muraleedharan Pillai. G,	Member, Syndicate (Convener)	Sd/-
2. Adv. K.H.Babujan	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
3. Adv.Balachandran B.	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
4. Sri.Arunkumar R.	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
5. Sri.Rajendrakumar P.	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
6. Dr.Vijayan Pillai M.	Member, Syndicate	Sd/-
7. Sri.B.P.Murali	Member, Syndicate	(Online)
8. Smt. Renju Suresh	Member, Syndicate	(Online)

Members absent

1. Dr.Nazeeb S.	Member, Syndicate
2. Sri. M.S.Arunkumar M.L.A.	Member, Syndicate
3. Adv.Ajikumar A.	Member, Syndicate

Item No.02.01 UG/PG /B.Ed Admission 2022-23– criteria for admission under various categories -reg.

[Ac.H]

The Online Admission Monitoring Committee (OAMC) at its meeting held on 08.07.2022 considered the matter regarding the following and recommended to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.

1. B.Ed Admission 2022 – Defence Quota, Sports Quota and Differently Abled admission in KUCTEs-

At present one seat per College is allotted to Defence Quota, Sports Quota and Differently Abled admission in KUCTEs. From this year onwards it has been decided to earmark 50% of the seats in KUCTEs under Management Quota. Hence out of the 50 seats only 25 seats are allotted under General Merit. It may also be noted that in self financing Colleges seats are not allotted for above said categories. Since KUCTEs are also functioning in Self Financing mode, it has to be decided whether seats need to be allotted for Defence Quota, Sports Quota and Differently Abled categories.

2. B.Ed Admission 2022 – Defence Quota admission in Govt./ Aided Colleges- Conducting of Centralized spot admission-

While preparing the rank list for Defence quota admission during the previous year it was seen that same candidates were enlisted against multiple colleges. The admission was conducted in the same day in all the Colleges which caused difficulty to the candidates to appear in multiple Colleges at the same time. Hence, the University received many complaints regarding the conduct of Defence quota admission. Therefore, it is proposed that a centralized admission process may be implemented.

3. B.Ed Admission 2022 - Inclusion of Analytical Chemistry and Applied Chemistry for the eligibility Criteria of Physical Sciences-

Previous year, University received many complaints regarding non listing of Analytical Chemistry and Applied Chemistry as qualification for applying for Physical Sciences. The above said courses have the same eligibility of Chemistry and University issues equivalency certificate stating the same. Also as per the U.O No.Ac.AII/2/2004 dated 15.01.2005 the following PG Programmes in Chemistry, of the University of Kerala are equivalent in all respects.

1. M.Sc. Chemistry
2. M.Sc. Analytical Chemistry
3. M.Sc. Applied Chemistry
4. M.Sc. Polymer Chemistry

Hence, it is proposed to include Analytical Chemistry, Applied Chemistry and Polymer Chemistry as the eligibility criteria of Physical Sciences.

4. B.Ed Admission 2022 - Criteria for Seat Matrix preparation –

- a. Either by the University
- b. Or by the colleges concerned.

5. Sports Quota Admission criteria for UG courses of University of Kerala 2022-23- Mail received from Director, Department of Physical Education-

Considering the Covid situation prevalent during the last two years, the Sports meets for Junior, Senior and National levels were either cancelled or partially conducted from February 2020 onwards. The University has received requests from students to consider the above situation, for application under Sports quota for UG and PG admissions of University of Kerala. The Sub Committee of Syndicate on Sports held on 20.04.2022 recommended to consider the Sports Certificates obtained for the previous four years (2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22) for application under Sports quota for UG and PG admissions of University of Kerala. Hence it is proposed that the Sports Certificates obtained for the previous four years (2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22) may be considered for UG and PG Sports Quota application.

6. Sports Quota for U G Courses- Mail received from Director, Department of Physical Education- Proposal to include the Sports meets conducted by CBSE, ICSE, Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas in the Norms for admission to the seats reserved under Sports Quota for U G Courses.

It is propose that the Sports meets conducted by CBSE, ICSE, Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas may also be included the criteria considered for verification and ranking of Sports achievement certificate under the Norms for admission to the seats reserved under Sports Quota for U G Courses (Clause 4.4 of UG prospectus). The proposed norms and priority may be prepared by the Department of Physical Education, in consultation with the associations of Physical Education faculty and finalised by the Online Admission and Monitoring Committee.

7. Letter from Director of Collegiate Education- forwarding of- College wise Course wise seats reserves for ST Students and formation of special cell for admission of ST students-reg.

In the letter it has been stated that the Scheduled Tribes development Department is planning to create a mechanism to directly assist the ST students with their applications to various colleges and other higher education institutions. It has been requested to forward the college-wise, stream-wise list of seats reserved for ST students. It is also requested to form a special cell for their admissions so that the department can co-ordinate with the concerned officers in the universities to ensure that ST students take admission in time.

The Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the above mentioned matters before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.

Hence the above matters regarding the criteria for admission under various categories are placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and made the following recommendations,

1. *to entrust Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges, Dr.Vijayan Pillai M and Sri.Arunkumar R., Members Syndicate to study the matter regarding admission in KUCTEs in Defence Quota, Sports Quota and Differently Aabled Candidates and submit the report before the Syndicate.*
2. *to conduct centralized spot admission for defence quota in Govt./ Aided B.Ed Colleges from this year onwards.*
3. *to include Analytical Chemistry, Polymer Chemistry and Applied Chemistry for the eligibility Criteria of Physical Sciences in B.Ed Admissions.*
 - *that the University shall fix the seat matrix in merit quota in all affiliated colleges, by taking 50% of all the optional subjects.*
 - *that the Management can fix the seat matrix in management quota, but a minimum of 2 seats shall be earmarked for each optional in Self financing Training colleges.*

4. *to forward the College wise, programme wise list of seats reserved for ST Students to Director of Collegiate Education and to form a special cell for admission of ST Students as stipulated in the letter submitted by the Director of Collegiate Education*

The Committee further recommended that the requests submitted by the Director, Department of Physical Education vide e-mails be referred to the next meeting of the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendations at Sl.Nos.1 & 2 of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 11.07.2022, be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the report regarding the admission in KUCTEs in Defence Quota, Sports Quota and Differently Abled Candidates and **ALSO RESOLVED** that unavailed seats in this category (Sports, Defence and PWD) shall be converted to General Quota, if vacant.

ALSO RESOLVED the following:

Item No.1 - Online B.Ed Admission portal 2022 be opened on 20.07.2022

Item No.3 - the matter of inclusion of Analytical Chemistry, Polymer Chemistry and Applied Chemistry for the eligibility Criteria of Physical Sciences in B.Ed Admissions be referred to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

Item No.4 - that the University shall fix the seat matrix in merit quota in all self-financing colleges by taking 50% for all subjects as in Government/ Aided Colleges.

Item No.5 - Considering the Covid-19 situation prevalent during the last two years, the Syndicate **RESOLVED** to consider the sports certificates obtain for the previous three years be considered for UG/PG Sports Quota Admissions for the academic year 2022-23 only.

Item No.6 - to reject the request of Director, Department of Physical Education.

Item No.7 - to forward the College wise, programme wise list of seats reserved for ST Students to Director of Collegiate Education and to form a special cell for admission of ST Students as stipulated in the letter submitted by the Director of Collegiate Education.

ALSO RESOLVED to entrust the Pro-Vice-Chancellor to constitute a special cell for admission of ST Students.

Item No.02.02 Autonomous Colleges- Issuance of Provisional and Degree Certificates to UG Students-reg . [Ac.D]

Final Semester exams of 2019 admission of UG Students of both autonomous colleges are over and the results are published soon. Mentioned below are the details of the courses and number of students admitted to respective courses of Fatima Mata National College, Kollam and Mar Ivanios, Nalanchira.

F.M.N. College, Kollam UG-2019 Admission

Sl.No	Subject	Sanctioned	Intake	Excess
1	BSc Mathematics	60	58	-
2	BSc Physics	48	53	5
3	BSc Chemistry	48	54	6
4	BSc Botany	48	55	7
5	BSc Zoology	48	55	7
6	BSc Psychology	32	37	5
7	BSc Polymer Chemistry	20	23	3
8	BA English Language & Literature	50	66	16
9	BA Malayalam Language & Literature	50	65	15
10	BA Economics A	60	70	10
11	BA Economics A	60	72	12
12	BA History	40	42	2
13	BA English Language Literature & Communication	60	58	-
14	B.Com Finance	60	72	12
15	B.Com Cooperation	60	61	1
16	Commerce with Computer Application	50	45	---
17	BCA	35	31	----

Mar Ivanios College-2019 Admission

Sl.No	Subject	Sanctioned	Intake	Excess
1	BSc Maths	60	58	----
2	BSc Physics	48	55	7
3	BSc Chemistry	48	54	6
4	BSc Botany	44	50	6
5	BSc Zoology	44	51	7
6	BA Economics	60	77	17
7	BA English Language & Literature	40	60	20
8	B.Com	60	80	20
9	BA Journalism & Mass Communication	30	41	11
10	BSc. Botany & Biotechnology	24	28	4
11	BA English Language & Literature (SF)	60	74	14
12	B.Com (Self Finance)	60	74	14
13	B.com (Accounts & Audit)	50	50	
14	BA English & Communicative English(SF)	40	43	
15	BSc Computer Science	32	32	

It is seen that the Mar-Ivanios College, Trivandrum has started 2 new courses in Self Financing Stream namely English and Communicative English (BA) and Computer Science (BSc) (Career) related course from 2019 Admission onwards.

The EAC has sought remarks from Academic sections regarding the affiliation status of the courses.

The Ac.D dealing with autonomous colleges under University of Kerala has not received any application for starting above mentioned courses in self Financing stream in Mar Ivanios College till date.

As per the remarks of Ac.BII Section dealing with affiliation of courses in aided stream Mar Ivanios College had submitted application for these courses on aided basis and as per reports of inspection through proper channel, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 25.05.2019(Item no.09.72.14) resolved to grant provisional Affiliation to BA English & Communicative English (40 seats) and 32 seats to Bsc. Computer Science courses and The Vice-Chancellor has ordered to implement the resolution subject to concurrence of the Govt., which was intimated to the Mar Ivanios College immediately. Further correspondence in this matter pending till date from the side of Mar Ivanios College and Govt.

Meanwhile Mar Ivanios College has started the course in self financing stream from 2019 onwards without informing University and submitted the details of course and number of students admitted to respective courses to EAC section as detailed below for issuance of Certificate on publication of result after 3 years.

1. BA English & Communicative English—43 Numbers
2. BSc Computer Science---32 Numbers

Since all other courses except above mentioned two (2) courses submitted from the Mar Ivanios College has been affiliated whether in self Financing or aided mode, EAC section has requested clarification in this regard.

Also the affiliation status of these two programmes has been processed through the main file of Autonomous College.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor granting sanction for provisional affiliation to BA English and Communicative English and BSc Computer Science programmes and the issuance of provisional certificates to students who have completed the course and applying for certificate due from University is placed before standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of colleges for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to issue provisional certificate to 2019 admission UG Students in the above mentioned programmes of Mar-Ivanios College, Trivandrum and Fatima Mata National College, Kollam.

The Committee further recommended that the matter regarding the excess admission made by Mar Ivanios College, Trivandrum and Fatima Mata National College, Kollam in the academic year 2019-'20 and starting of new programmes viz., BA English & Communicative English and BSc Computer Science, with out the prior sanction of the University, be referred to the Syndicate.

Considering the urgency of the matter, the committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendation exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the above recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 11.07.2022, be noted.

FURTHER RESOLVED to entrust the Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges, Dr.K.B.Manoj and Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Members, Syndicate to hear the Principals of Mar Ivanios College, Trivandrum and Fatima Mata National College, Kollam regarding the excess admission made and starting of new programmes (BA English & Communicative English and BSc Computer Science) without the prior sanction of the University.

Item No.02.03 *Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Vendar, Kottarakara – Complaint on the admissions made under Management quota – reg.*

[Ac.BII]

The complainants are Smt.K.B. Rani Krishna, the lastly elected President, Smt.A.R.Meenakshy Amma and Smt.Padma Gireesh, the former elected Board Members of Sree Vidyadhiraja Charitable Society, the Educational Agency of Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Vendar, Kottarakara.

The following are the allegations raised by the petitioners.

- The Society has not conducted any due election afterwards and not filed any list of new office bearers or minutes before the Registrar of Societies viz. District Registrar (General), Kollam.
- There is no Board of Directors and Office bearers elected by the Society to conduct the affairs of the college now and there is vacuum in the administration of the affairs of the Society.
- The above situation is exploited by incompetent persons by misguiding members of public in the matter of admission to the management quota of the B.Ed College.
- They have also stated that they are taking legal action to set right the affairs of the Society and until the same are made in order and due elections are conducted the Management quota due to the Society cannot be filled up by the duly elected authorities of the Society.
- The B.Ed College is having 50 seats out of which 25 seats comes under the Management Quota have to be filled up by the Society represented by its President and Manager and remaining seats to be filled up by the University.
- In the light of the above, the complainants has requested to consider the situation and unless the University intervenes in the matter urgently there is every likelihood of illegal and criminal acts by incompetent persons by deceiving the members of public in the matter of admission of students in the management quota of the above college.
- They also requested that the University may be pleased to fill up the entire seats in the Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Vendar, Kottarakara in this academic year as a special case and in public interest and also in the interest of the Society.

Following facts may also be noted.

Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Vendar, Kottarakara has been Provisionally Affiliated to the University of Kerala since the year 2005, offering the B.Ed Degree Course with the following optional subjects, on self-financing basis with a total intake of 50 seats.

Sl.No.	Optional	Seats
1.	English	50
2.	Mathematics	
3.	Commerce	
4.	Physical Science	
5.	Natural Science	
6.	Social Science	

Vide U.O.No.AcB/23527/2008 dated 08.09.2008, Provisional affiliation was granted to M.Ed course in Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Kollam during 2008-09 with an intake of 25 seats

The Manager, Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Kollam vide letters dated 26.09.2016 and 19.04.2017 requested for the suspension and resumption of M.Ed Course offered in Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Kollam during 2016-17, for the want of Students.

But, the Educational Agency has not been granted approval for either Suspension during 2016-17 or Resumption during 2017-19, as the Educational Agency has not remitted the prescribed fees for Suspension as directed by the University and hence the University Orders on the same have not been issued till date.

It may be noted that in compliance with the Judgment dated 20.12.2021 connected with the remittance of Annual Administration Fee, the college was directed to remit an amount of Rs.13,22,500/- and they had remitted only Rs.3,00,000/- towards the outstanding dues in annual administration fee to the University.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 25.05.2022 vide item no. 42.59.08 considered the status of remittance of outstanding dues in annual administration fee in compliance with the Judgment dated 20.12.2021 in WP(C) No.10350 of 2009 and Connected cases and the requests from various Colleges for waiving the dues in annual administration fee/ extension of time for the remittance and resolved to issue notice to the Educational Agencies of the defaulter Training Colleges directing to remit the arrears of Annual Administration Fee immediately in compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble High Court vide judgment dated 20.12.2021 in WP(C) No.10350 of 2009 and Connected cases, failing which the college will be excluded from the B.Ed Online Admission portal for the academic year 2022-23.

Accordingly, vide this Office letter dated 21.06.2022, the college was directed to remit the arrears of annual administration fee to the University at the earliest.

It may also be noted that the above said complainants have also filed WP(C) no.22137/2022 before the Hon'ble High Court praying to issue an interim direction to desist from recognizing admission of students in the management quota of Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Vendar, Kottarakara made by any person except the first petitioner viz. Smt. K.B. Rani Krishna.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the complaint dated 23.06.2022 from Smt.K.B. Rani Krishna, the lastly elected President, Smt.A.R.Meenakshy Amma and Smt.Padma Gireesh, the former elected Board Members of Sree Vidyadhiraja Charitable Society, the Educational Agency of Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Vendar, Kottarakara on the matter regarding the admissions made under Management quota, 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 conduct a hearing of the Manager and the Principal of Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Vendar, Kottarakara and the petitioners, by a team consisting of Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai, Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges, Dr.Vijayan Pillai M and Sri.Arunkumar R., Members Syndicate.

The Committee further recommended to direct the Manager to produce all the relevant documents proving this authority, at the time of hearing.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to entrust the Pro-Vice-Chancellor to hear the Manager, Principal of Sri Vidyadhiraja Model College of Teacher Education, Vendar Kottarakara and the petitioners regarding the matter and place the Report before the Syndicate.

FURTHER RESOLVED to direct the Manager to produce all the relevant documents proving the authority at the time of hearing.

Item No.02.04 **Requesting to sanction BA/MA Public Administration Programmes in Government College, Nedumangadu - reg.**

[Ac.BII]

Shri G R Anil, Minister for Food and Civil Supplies, vide letter dated 20.06.2022, has requested the intervention of the Syndicate and Vice Chancellor to sanction BA/MA Public Administration Programmes in Government College, Nedumnagadu.

The following facts may be noted in this context:

- B.A. Public Administration Programme is not conducted in any of the Affiliated Colleges. And at present there is no approved scheme and syllabus for B.A.Public Administration Programme.
- M.A Public Administration Programme is conducted in only one affiliated college, viz., St.John's College, Anchal. The said college has already requested to convert it into M.A.Political Science and the same is under consideration of the Government.
- The Academic Council of the University held on 01.04.2022, resolved to approve the recommendation of Faculty of Social Science, that Public Administration is a mandatory area in Civil Services, hence UG and PG programmes can be started in Government Colleges without any delay.
- But for the time being, there is no application for affiliation of BA/MA Public Administration Programme for the academic year 2022-23 had been received from any of the affiliated colleges (including Government Colleges, before the University).

The Vice Chancellor has considered the matter and ordered to place before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges.

Accordingly as ordered by the Vice Chancellor the letter from Shri G R Anil, Minister for Food and Civil Supplies, requesting to sanction BA/MA Public Administration Programmes in Government College Nedumangadu 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 intimate Shri G R Anil, Minister for Food and Civil Supplies that, there is no proper application pending before the University in this regard and application for affiliation of new courses for the academic year 2023-24 can be submitted as per the statutory 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 11.07.2022, be approved.

Item No.02.05 **Request- Submitted by Dr.A.Mohanakumar, Principal, UIT, Mulamkadakom - to earmark 50% seat in UITs for Management Quota-reg.**

[Ad.AVII]

The request appended.

The committee considered the request submitted by Dr.A.Mohanakumar, Principal, UIT, Mulamkadakom and recommended that the matter be referred to the next meeting of the Syndicate.

The meeting came to an end at 11.45 am.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to defer the item for time being.

Item No.03 **Department of Archaeology - Provisional Advance sanctioned to Dr.Abhayan G.S, Assistant Professor to meet the expenses towards conducting Excavation/ Fieldwork/ Exploration Programmes of the Department - Reporting of - reg.**

(Ad.AII)

The Head, Department of Archaeology has requested to release an amount of ₹9,83,556/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Six Only) as Provisional Advance in favour of Dr.Abhayan G.S, Assistant Professor, Department of Archaeology (Director of Excavation and Explorations in Kerala and Co-Director of Excavation in Gujarat), to meet the expenses for conducting Excavation/Field work/Exploration Programmes of the Department at Juna Khatiya, Kondazhy, Kanthalloor and Malabar Region.

The Head, Department of Archaeology has been permitted to undertake Fieldwork (Exploration and Excavation) at Juna Khatiya, Kachchh District in Gujarat; Kondazhy, Thrissur District & Kanthalloor, Thiruvananthapuram District in Kerala with the participation of MA Students, MPhil Students, Research Scholars and Faculty during the period from 01.07.2022 to 10.10.2022 vide U.O.No.Ad AII/4040/2022/UOK dated 26.05.2022.

The Vice-Chancellor has accorded sanction to release an amount of ₹9,83,556/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty Six Only) as Provisional Advance to Dr.Abhayan G.S, Assistant Professor, Department of Archaeology to meet the expenses for conducting Excavation/ Fieldwork/ Exploration Programmes of the Department by meeting the expenditure from the h/a 'Part I-N-P-MH:16-Department of Archaeology 4/4145-Fieldwork/ Excavation/Exploration' provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University. U.O.No.4980/2022/UOK dated 25.06.2022 has been issued in this regard.

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.04. **Networking at the office and third Floor of the Campus Library - Consideration of- reg.**

(Ad BII)

The Deputy Librarian, University Campus Library has forwarded an estimate submitted by the Instrumentation Engineer, amounting to Rs.97,500/- towards the networking at the office and third Floor of University Campus Library. The Deputy Librarian has requested sanction to invite quotation for the same, meeting the expenditure from "Part I - Non Plan -MH :50(b)Campus Library 4- 1995 Computer accessories" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

The Finance Section has remarked to obtain administrative sanction for networking at the office and third floor of the Campus Library and to initiate purchase procedures based on the sanction.

As per the orders of Vice-Chancellor, the proposal / estimate towards the networking at the office and third Floor of the Campus Library and the request of the Deputy Librarian, seeking permission to invite quotations, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

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

Item No.05. **Report on the Audit of Accounts of University of Kerala for the year 2019-20 - Consideration of - reg.**

(OAD III)

As per Section 50(4) of the Kerala University Act (Act 17 of 1974) and in pursuance of Section 13 of the Kerala Local Fund Audit Act, 1994 and Rule 18 of the Kerala Local Fund Audit Rules 1996, the Joint Director, Kerala State Audit Department, Kerala University Audit has submitted the Audit Report for the year 2019-20 of the University of Kerala.

As per section 15(1) of the Kerala Local Fund Audit Act of 1994, on receipt of a report under section 13, the executive authority concerned shall submit the First Reply within 2 months of the receipt of the report or within such period as may be specified under the law governing the Local Authority.

Statute 10(4), Chapter VI of the Kerala University First Statutes 1977 stipulates that the Syndicate shall publish the Accounts when audited, together with the Audit Report in the Government Gazette and forward copies of the Accounts and Audit Report to the Senate and to the Government. After laying the Audit Report before Senate, the replies for the objections mentioned in the Audit Report shall be obtained from the concerned sections/departments and the consolidated statement of replies approved by the Syndicate is to be forwarded to the Kerala State Audit Department and Government.

In the first instance, as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the Audit Report received for the year 2019-20 is submitted for approval of the Syndicate for laying the same before Senate for adoption and collecting replies subsequently from the Concerned Sections and Departments.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to approve the Report on the Audit of Accounts of the University for the year 2019-2020 and place the same before the Senate for consideration.

Item No.06. Department of Botany, Kariavattom---Engaging Casual Farm Labourers on daily wage basis-- Reporting of--reg.

(Ad. A. VI)

Eleven Casual Farm Labourers, listed below, engaged on daily wage basis in the Department of Botany were directed to report for duty on 31.05.2022, vide memos no. Ad.A.VI/3/Casual Labourers/2019 dated 17.05.2022. The Head of the Department, vide letter no. 4/BOTANY/CASUAL LABOURERS dated 23.06.2022, has forwarded the joining reports and the employment contract cum indemnity agreement executed by the said Casual Farm Labourers, as on 31.05.2022. Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to the Syndicate, to the following eleven Casual Farm Labourers being engaged in garden work in the Department of Botany, on daily wage basis, for a period of eighty nine (89) days w.e.f. 31.05.2022 @ Rs. 675/- (Rupees Six hundred and seventy five only) per day subject to a maximum of Rs.18,225/- per month.

List of Casual Farm Labourers

1. Sri. Stanly John D
2. Sri. Shamnad A
3. Smt. Sreemathy C
4. Sri. Samuel J
5. Smt. Sakuthala C
6. Smt. Leela T
7. Smt. Rajani S
8. Sri. Jayan S
9. Sri. James Raj J
10. Smt. Vasantha K
11. Sri. Dheerendra Singh K V

U.O no. Ad. A. VI/5157/2022/UOK dated 07.07.2022 was issued in this regard.

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

Resolution of the Syndicate

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

Item No.07. Department of Archaeology - Permission granted to Dr.Rajesh S.V and Dr.Abhayan G S, Assistant Professors to participate and present their papers at the 25th Conference of EASAA - Reporting of – reg.

(Ad. A.II)

Dr. Rajesh S.V and Dr.Abhayan G.S, Assistant Professors, Department of Archaeology requested to grant them permission to participate and present their papers titled 'Pre-Urban Harappan Burials from Juna Khatiya in Gujarat, Western India' and 'Fish Bones Speak: Perspectives on Fish-based Foodways during Indus Civilization in Gujarat, India' respectively at the 25th Conference of European Association for South Asian Archaeology and Art (EASAA 2022), which is scheduled to be held from 4th to 8th July 2022, in Barcelona, Spain. They have stated that they are not availing any financial assistance from the Government of Kerala or the University for the proposed travel and requested to treat their period of absence from the University, i.e. from 29 June to 10 July 2022 (including travelling time) as Duty Leave, as it is an academic exercise.

Permission has been granted by the Vice-Chancellor to Dr.Rajesh.S.V and Dr.Abhayan.G.S for attending and presenting their papers at the aforesaid Conference by availing Duty Leave, provided that the University or Government of Kerala have no financial commitment for the same and subject to the fulfilment of all mandatory clearances from Govt. of India including political clearance, FCRA, etc. U.O.No.4800/2022/UOK dated 23.06.2022 and No Objection Certificates to them have been issued accordingly.

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.08. Payment of Rs.4,11,230/- (Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two hundred and Thirty only) each for the months of April-2022 & May – 2022 to M/s Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co.Operative Society Ltd. No.2245 towards the Sweeping and Cleaning charges of SH campus -Reporting of -reg.

(Ad.AVIII)

The Vice Chancellor has sanctioned an amount of Rs.4,11,230/- (Rupees Four Lakh Eleven Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty only) each for the months of April 2022 & May 2022 to M/s Thiruvananthapuram District Casual Worker's Welfare Co-Operative Society L t d No: 2245 , towards the Sweeping & Cleaning charges of SH Campus from the head of the account "Part I NP-MH 1(a) General Direction- 4/1220 Office Expenses and Miscellaneous" provided in the current year's Budget Estimates of the University.

U.O.No.4704/2022/UOK dated: 18/06/2022 (for April-2022) & U.O.No. 5127/2022/UOK dated: 05/07/2022 (for May -2022) were issued in this regard.

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

Resolution of the Syndicate

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

Item No.09. INSPIRE fellowship - Payment of 3rd installment of grant to Ms. Lakshmi R, Junior Research Fellow, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala, Kariavattom - Reporting of -reg:

(Ac E III)

The Department of Science & Technology (DST), Govt. of India had sanctioned and released an amount of Rs.3,92,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Only) towards the 3rd installment of INSPIRE fellowship to Ms. Lakshmi R, Junior Research Fellow, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala, Kariavattom for 12 months as the Basic Fellowship & Annual Contingency.

Accordingly, Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor for the payment and release of 3rd installment of INSPIRE fellowship amounting to Rs.3,92,000/- (Rupees Three Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Only) being the basic fellowship amounting to Rs.3,72,000/-(Rupees Three Lakh Seventy Two Thousand Only) and contingency amounting to Rs.20,000/-(Rupees Twenty Thousand Only) to Ms. Lakshmi R, Junior Research Fellow, Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala, Kariavattom for a period from 14/06/2021 to 13/06/2022 as per the norms of the sponsoring authority, Subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

U.O No. 5161/2022/UOK dated 07.07.2022 was 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.10. Consideration of the Minutes of the Meeting for discussing the progress and preparations underway towards the finalization of the DPR for the 'Setting up of a Translational Research and Innovation Centre at the University of Kerala (TRIC-KU), held at 2.30 pm on 11/07/2022- Approval of- reg.

(PLAI)

A Meeting for discussing the progress and preparations underway towards the finalization of the DPR for the 'Setting up of a Translational Research and Innovation Centre at the University of Kerala (TRIC-KU)', was held at 2.30 pm on 11/07/2022, at the Pro-Vice-Chancellor's Chamber.

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 for discussing the progress and preparations underway towards the finalization of the DPR for the 'Setting up of a Translational Research and Innovation Centre at the University of Kerala (TRIC-KU)'

Date: 11/07/2022

Time: 2.30 pm

Venue: Pro-Vice-Chancellor's Chamber

Members at the meeting:

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| 1. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor | - Sd/- |
| 2. Dr. S. Nazeeb, Member, Syndicate | - Sd/- |
| 3. Dr. K. G. Gopchandran, Member, Syndicate | - Sd/- |
| 4. Dr. Manoj Changat, Professor, Department of Future Studies & Director, KUBIIC | - Sd/- |
| 5. Dr. Mini S., Professor, Department of Biochemistry | - Absent |
| 6. Dr. Shiburaj. S, Professor, Department of Botany | - Sd/- |
| 7. Dr. R. Jayakrishnan, Assoc. Prof., Department of Physics- | - Sd/- |
| 8. Dr. Viji Vijayan, Asst. Prof., Department of Biochemistry (Co-investigator) | - Sd/- |
| 9. Dr. P. Sreejith, Asst. Prof., Department of Zoology | - Sd/- |

The meeting was convened to discuss the progress and preparations underway towards the finalization of the DPR for the TRIC-KU, to be presented in the second round of discussions in this connection, scheduled by the Chief Principal Secretary to CM on 12th July 2022.

At the outset, the Honorable Pro-Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the members and explained the context of the meeting. The PVC stressed on the necessity of finalizing a final date for the submission of the Detailed Project Report to the Govt. and presenting the same along with a concise report on the current progress and preparations underway towards the finalization of the DPR, in the discussion scheduled by the Chief Principal Secretary to CM on 12th July 2022.

Dr. Manoj Changat (Principal Investigator) reported that the DPR has almost been finalized by incorporating the suggestions/remarks/opinions provided by the 'Subject/External Experts' in the meeting of the Advisory Committee held on 02/07/2022.

Also reported that, the following details to be included in the DPR, as specified by the Chief Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister in the meeting held on 17/05/2022, have been finalized:

1. Identification of the key area/s for the proposed 'Translational Research Centre and streamline their ideas for converting it into a funding proposal.
2. The DSR rates on Civil Works and Catalogue price for equipment
3. Detailed objectives of the proposed TRC
4. Translational nature of activities envisaged through the centre.
5. Community connect and Industry connect of the centre
6. Role of the affiliated institutions
7. Convergence and integration of facilities in the University and avoiding duplication of facilities.

However, the details regarding the "Incorporation, structure and governance of the centre" and the "Land/Location" for the construction of the 'Administrative Building' and the 'Industrial Space/Lab' for the proposed Centre has not been finalized yet.

As of now, the location for the 'Administrative Building' has been proposed at the vacant space in front of the 'VC's Bungalow' (Opposite Technopark Road) and the 'Industrial Space/Lab' at the vacant space behind the 'VC's Bungalow' and between the Staff Quarters.

Dr. Viji Vijayan (Co-investigator) reported of the inconveniences that can come up in the future, by housing the 'Administrative Building' and the 'Industrial Space/Lab Space' at two different locations.

Also reported that, the proposed 'Industrial Space/Lab Space' includes the facilities for an exclusive "Animal House" and 'Culturing and treatment of various Microbes and its toxic byproducts' and hence housing of such facilities near the 'Staff Quarters' and other inhabitable buildings/houses close to the boundary of the University Campus, can lead to certain legal issues in the future.

In this context, the Members suggested an alternate 'Location' for the construction of both the 'Administrative Building' and the 'Industrial Space/Lab Space', at the vacant space adjacent to the 'Greenfield Stadium', near the 'Botany Department' and to construct the buildings in this connection facing the Botany Department.

Dr. Manoj Changat (Principal Investigator) further reported that the details regarding the "Incorporation, structure and governance of the centre" can be finalized only if a decision is arrived at by the Syndicate on the proposal for registering the KUBIIC as a 'Company under Section 8 of the Companies Act 2013' and if approved, the same structure and governance can be incorporated for the centre also.

However, the Members opined that even if KUBIIC is registered as a 'Company under Section 8 of the Companies Act 2013', the 'Structure and governance' of the 'Translational Centre' should be entirely different from that of KUBIIC.

The members also opined that both the KUBIIC and the 'Translational Research Centre' need to be considered as independent entities and the governance & structure of the centre need to be finalized in such a way that the startups incubated from KUBIIC can approach the centre for translating their ideas/output to final products and its commercialization.

Further opined that the centre needs to be setup entirely under the governance of the University and the bylaws for governance need to be framed in such way that University can generate maximum income from the activities/outputs of the Centre.

Recommendations:

In view of the above deliberations, the meeting recommended the following:

1. Both the KUBIIC and the 'Translational Research Centre' shall be considered as independent entities and the governance & structure of the centre shall be finalized in such a way that the startups incubated from the KUBIIC can approach the centre for translating their ideas/output to final products and its commercialization.
2. The 'Translational Research Centre' shall be setup entirely under the governance of the University and the bylaws for governance need to be framed in such way that University can generate maximum income from the activities/outputs of the Centre.

3. To entrust Dr. Manoj Changat, Dr. Viji Vijayan, Dr. R. Jayakrishnan, Dr. P. Sreejith and the AE, Engineering Unit to visit the alternate 'Location' proposed at the vacant space adjacent to the 'Greenfield Stadium' and near the 'Botany Department', for the construction of both the 'Administrative Building' and the 'Industrial Space/Lab Space', in addition to the location proposed earlier [i.e., 'Administrative Building' in front of the 'VC's Bungalow' (Opposite Technopark Road) and the 'Industrial Space/Lab Space' behind the 'VC's Bungalow'] and to finalize the 'Site' for the 'Translational Research Centre' at the most suitable location among the above two.
4. The Detailed Project Report with regard to the 'Setting up of the proposed Translational Research and Innovation Centre at the University of Kerala (TRIC-KU)', in tune with the guidelines specified by the Chief Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister in the meeting held on 17/05/2022, shall be submitted to the Govt. on or before 01/08/2022.
5. To entrust Dr. Viji Vijayan, Asst. Prof., Department of Biochemistry and Dr. R. Jayakrishnan, Assoc. Prof., Department of Physics to prepare a brief report on the progress and the preparations that are underway towards the finalization of the DPR for the TRIC-KU, in consultation with Dr. Manoj Changat, Director, KUBIIC and present the same before the meeting scheduled by the Chief Principal Secretary to CM, on 12th July 2022.
6. The following faculties shall attend the proposed meeting scheduled at 03.00 PM on 12th July 2022, at Room No: 147, North Block, 3rd Floor, Govt. Secretariat:
 1. Dr. Manoj Changat, Director, KUBIIC
 2. Dr. Sam Solomon, Professor, Department of Optoelectronics
 3. Dr. R. Jayakrishnan, Assoc. Prof., Department of Physics
 4. Dr. Viji Vijayan, Asst. Prof., Department of Biochemistry
 5. Dr. P. Sreejith, Asst. Prof., Department of Physics
 The meeting came to an end by 3.45 PM.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that the above recommendations of the Meeting for discussing the progress and preparations underway towards the finalization of the DPR for the 'Setting up of a Translational Research and Innovation Centre at the University of Kerala (TRIC-KU)', held on 11/07/2022, be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED to entrust the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Dr.S.Nazeeb, Members Syndicate to identify suitable building in the Kariavattom Campus for starting the proposed centre and also permanent location for the construction of 'Administrative Building' and 'Industrial Space Lab'.

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Item No.11. Leave Without Allowance for joining spouse - Smt.A.R.Nishi, Assistant Registrar, Finance Section- Consideration of – Reg.

(Ad G)

Smt.A.R.Nishi, Assistant Registrar, Finance Section, has submitted application for Leave Without Allowance for joining spouse for a period from 01/08/2022 to 15/12/2022 with permission to prefix 31/07/2022 .

It may be noted that an incumbment may be granted Leave Without Allowance for joining spouse upto 5 years as per the provisions in Appendix XII C part I KSR, subject to the following conditions.

- 1) She will lose seniority during the currency of the period of leave, including seniority in the higher grade(s) with reference to her juniors who might get promoted to such grade(s) before she rejoins duty. She will also lose service benefits including Earned leave, Increment, Gratuity, Pension etc during the period.
- 2) She will not accept any other employment abroad/within the country during the currency of the period of leave, without prior sanction from the University.
- 3) If she does not report for duty on expiry of her leave, her service in the University will stand automatically terminated.

Finance section has informed that, as per entries in the GER, granting the leave applied does not exceed the leave limit mentioned above. Finance section has also certified the admissibility of above mentioned leave. Ad AI Section vide NOC No. AdAI/26475/2022 dated 20/06/2022 has issued no objection certificate for personal visit.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the matter of granting Leave Without Allowance for joining spouse for 137 days from 01/08/2022 to 15/12/2022 with permission to prefix 31/07/2022 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to grant leave without allowance to Smt.Nishi.A.R, Assistant Registrar, Finance Section for joining spouse for 137 days from 01/08/2022 to 15/12/2022 with permission to prefix 31/07/2022

Item No.12. *Students Amenity Centre, Suite Rooms - Purchase of various items -Payment Sanctioned - Reporting of - reg-*

(Ad B IV)

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Syndicate, for the payment of Rs.2,91,006/- (Rupees Two Lakh Ninety One Thousand and Six only) inclusive of taxes to M/s. SIDCO, Trivandrum towards the purchase of various items for use in the Suite Rooms of Students Amenity Centre, by 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, based on the Finance Endorsement No. Endt. FOS.1750/Finance I/dated 24.06.2022. Accordingly U.O No.18440/2022/UOK dated 04.07.2022 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 *Minutes of the Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment and Buildings held on 27.06.2022-Approval of-reg.*

(Ad. A VI)

The minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment and Buildings held on 27.06.2022 is appended.

In view of the urgency, the Vice-Chancellor has approved the recommendation in item no. 12 in the minutes, subject to reporting to the Syndicate.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the recommendation in item no. 12 in the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment and Buildings held on 27.06.2022 is reported to the Syndicate and the recommendation on remaining items in the minutes is placed before the Syndicate for approval.

Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, Equipment & Buildings

Date & Time : 27th June 2022, 10.30 a.m

Venue : Syndicate Room, University Buildings,Thiruvananthapuram

Members Present

- Adv. B. Balachandran (Convener)
- Adv. Muralidharan Pillai G
- Sri. Bijukumar G
- Prof. K. Lalitha
- Dr. S. Nazeeb
- Dr. K.B. Manoj
- Rajendra Kumar P

Members Absent

- Sri. B.P Murali
- Adv. K. H. Babujan
- Smt. Renju Suresh
- Dr. K. G. Gopchandran
- Adv.A. Ajikumar

Item No.13.01 *Employment assistance under compassionate employment scheme Miss.Pavithra.S.Nair, D/o the late Dr.S.K.Sudheer, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Optoelectronics who died-in-harness on 27.12.2017-reg:*

(Ad AIII)

Dr.S.K.Sudheer, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Optoelectronics died-in-harness on 27.12.2017. Miss. Pavithra S.Nair, D/o the late Dr.S.K.Sudheer submitted application for employment assistance on 29.09.2018 along with the following documents.

- Death certificate dated 01.03.2018
- Income certificate dated 29.03.2018 issued by the Village Officer, Sasthamangalam Village Office
- Affidavit of consent from Dr.S.Prathibha, w/o the late Dr.S.K Sudheer giving her consent to give employment assistance to her only daughter, Miss.Pavithra S Nair.
- Copies of 10th std. Pass certificate and statement of marks
- Copy of birth certificate in r/o Miss. Pavithra S Nair

But the application was not inclusive of the following documents

- Heirship certificate from Tahsildar
- Affidavit of consent from other legal heirs, if any

Regarding the income certificate dated 29.03.2018 & 07.05.2019 issued by the Village Officer, Sasthamangalam Village Office, the annual family income of Dr.S.Prathibha is Rs. 48,000/- (Rupees Forty eight thousand only). But the Manager and Correspondent, Aided Higher Secondary School, Arumana, Kanyakumari where Dr.S.Prathibha is working reported that she was appointed as Headmistress w.e.f 01.06.2013, but she was not getting salary till that date consequent on Writ Appeal filed by DEO and others. Hence there is possibility that the annual income may change upon the final verdict of the said case.

Regarding legal heirship certificate, Dr.S.Prathibha has remarked that the grandmother (mother of the late S.K.Sudheer) was not willing to give consent because of the unwillingness of her children for the same and has mentioned about the arrogant behaviour of the sister of the Late Dr.S.K.Sudheer. Moreover Miss. Pavithra S Nair claims that her grandmother could not express consent before the competent authority for heirship certificate due to the depression caused by the sudden death of her father.

The norms followed by University in compassionate employment are those contemplated in the U.O dated 28.10.99 as there is no specific stipulations for such appointments in University Statutes and Ordinances. The procedure for appointment directs that the application for compassionate employment should invariably be enclosed with income certificate, legal heirship and death certificate.

Finance has remarked that “as per Govt. orders legal heirship certificate should invariably be enclosed with the application for employment assistance under compassionate employment scheme. University is duty bound to follow the directions or orders issued by the Govt. with regard to granting of employment assistance under compassionate employment scheme. Administration may take appropriate decision on the matter in consultation with Legal/Appellate authorities.”

The original file was forwarded with application, death certificate, indemnity bonds and other documents for orders. As per the orders of Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor opinion from Legal Adviser was sought on the matter regarding granting of employment assistance to Miss.Pavithra S Nair. The legal opinion dated 12.05.2022 from the Legal Adviser is as follows:

- As no dispute arised so far that the applicant Miss Pavithra S Nair is the legitimate daughter of the Late Dr.S.K.Sudheer born through Dr.Prathibha during the pendency of a valid marriage, the legal heirship certificate from Taluk Tahsildar is highly incompetent to decide the legitimacy of a person, which the court of law alone is competent. For the last more than 5 and a half years no body, other than Miss. Pavithra S Nair has come forward claiming appointment in the die-in-harness scheme.
- The malafide intention of non-co-operation of the grandmother in obtaining heirship certificate is well evident. Also it has earlier remarked that the grandmother is disentitled to claim for employment assistance since she had crossed the upper age limit to be an applicant for the same.
- For the safeguard of the interest of the University, it has opined that the University could obtain a bond attested by a Notary public from the applicant agreeing to indemnify the University whatever loss which University may incur because of her appointment under the Scheme.
- As per the income certificate dated 29.03.2018, i.e., on the date of application the annual family income is Rs.48,000/-
- Exclusion of one class of legitimate children would fail to meet the test of nexus with the object and it would defeat the purpose of ensuring the dignity of the family of the deceased (decision of Hon.Supreme Court in (2) KLJ, P.No.374, (Page 378)
- The remarks of Finance that “Administration may take appropriate decision on the matter in consultation with Legal/Appellate authorities” is not to be ignored.
- There is no legal impediment in giving appointment to Miss. Pavithra S Nair under the scheme, if necessary, after obtaining the necessary bond and undertaking from the applicant as stated earlier.

As regarding the post to which the appointment of Miss. Pavithra S Nair has to be considered the following has to be noted

1. Date of demise of Dr.S.K.Sudheer	27.12.2017
2. Date of birth of Miss Pavithra S Nair	14.07.1998
3. Age of Miss Pavithra as on the date of death of Dr.S.K.Sudheer	19 years
4. Date of submission of application	29.09.2018
5. Qualification at the time of submission of application	Plus two passed, pursuing B.Tech course
6. Time limit for submitting application	26.12.2019
(Two years from the date of death)	
7. Date of submission of B.Tech Degree certificate	07.01.2021
8. Date of B.Tech (Provisional) Certificate	22.09.2020

As per the qualification of Miss. Pavithra S Nair at the time of submission of application, she is eligible to be appointed as Office Attendant under Compassionate employment scheme, upon fulfilling other conditions/requirements prescribed in the norms. There is no specific rules/Govt. orders granting extension of time-limit for completing a particular course so as to seek appointment under compassionate scheme to a higher post. As per Govt. Circular dated 21.12.2015, extension of joining time for completing an educational course that the applicant is pursuing can be considered once the process of appointment is completed as per rules.

It may be noted that Sri.Abhijith Krishna (s/o the Late Usha Kumari.R, Asst. Registrar) was granted employment under compassionate scheme as Office Attendant based on his qualification at the time of submission of application, though he has qualified degree at the time of issuance of his appointment order (resolution of the Syndicate on 23.12.2021, Item No.35.35.09).

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor the matter regarding granting of employment assistance under compassionate employment scheme as Office Attendant to Miss. Pavithra S Nair, D/o the late Dr.S.K.Sudheer who died-in-harness on 27.12.2017, in the absence of Legal Heirship certificate along with the opinion of the Legal Adviser is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff, equipment and buildings for consideration and recommendation.

The Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the matter to the Syndicate.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to grant employment assistance to Miss. Pavithra S Nair, D/o the late Dr.S.K.Sudheer (who died-in-harness on 27.12.2017) under compassionate employment scheme as Office Attendant, after obtaining necessary bond and undertaking from the applicant as opined by the Legal Adviser.

Item No.14 **Award of Ph.D Degrees** (Ac.E.II/Ac.E.V/Ac.E.V(A))

Item No. 14.01 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Sanal Kumar T in Malayalam- reg:-** (Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**ശ്രീനാരായണ ഗുരുവിന്റെ സ്വാധീനം കമാരനാശാന്റെ വൃശ്ചി ജീവിതത്തിലും കാവ്യജീവിതത്തിലും**” submitted by Sri. Sanal Kumar T.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sri. Sanal Kumar T., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Malayalam under the Faculty of Oriental Studies.

Item No.14.02 **Consideration of the examiners reports on the Ph.D Thesis submitted by Sri. Karthik Kumar S S in History- reg:-** (Ac.EV)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**THE IMPACT OF ACCOUNTANT GENERALS OFFICE OF KERALA :AN ANALYSIS**” submitted by Sri. Karthik Kumar S S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sri. Karthik Kumar S S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in History under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Item No.14.03 **Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Sri. Kiran T. S. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering – reg.** (Ac.E.II)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled **TA COMPARATIVE EXPLORATION ON RANDOM PWM SCHEMES TO SPREAD HARMONIES FOR MULTILEVEL POWER CONVERTERST** submitted by Sri. Kiran T.S

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Sri. Kiran T.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Electrical and Electronics Engineering under the Faculty of Engineering & Technology.

Item No.14.04 **Consideration of Examiners reports on the Ph.D thesis submitted by Smt. Suma L.S. in Computational Biology and Bioinformatics – reg.** (Ac.E.II)

The Syndicate considered the reports of Examiners on the Ph.D. thesis entitled “**OPTIMIZATION ALGORITHMS TO IDENTIFY MOTIFS, SUBNETWORKS & PATHWAYS FOR DRUG DESIGN AND SYNERGISM**” submitted by Smt. Suma L.S.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED that Smt. Suma L.S., be declared eligible for the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Computational Biology and Bioinformatics under the Faculty of Engineering & Technology.

Item No.15 Autonomous Colleges- Issuance of Provisional and Degree Certificates to UG Students-Consideration of-reg.

(Ac.D)

Final Semester exams of 2019 admission of UG Students of both autonomous colleges are over and the results are published. Mentioned below are the details of the courses and number of students admitted to respective courses of Fatima Mata National College, Kollam and Mar Ivanios, Nalanchira.

FMN College, Kollam UG-2019 Admission

Sl.No.	Subject	Sanctioned	Intake	Excess
1	BSc Mathematics	60	58	-
2	BSc Physics	48	53	5
3	BSc Chemistry	48	54	6
4	BSc Botany	48	55	7
5	BSc Zoology	48	55	7
6	BSc Psychology	32	37	5
7	BSc Polymer Chemistry	20	23	3
8	BA English Language & Literature	50	66	16
9	BA Malayalam Language & Literature	50	65	15
10	BA Economics A	60	70	10
11	BA Economics A	60	72	12
12	BA History	40	42	2
13	BA English Language Literature & Communication	60	58	-
14	B.Com Finance	60	72	12
15	B.Com Cooperation	60	61	1
16	Commerce with Computer Application	50	45	---
17	BCA	35	31	----

Mar Ivanios College-2019 Admission

Sl.No	Subject	Sanctioned	Intake	Excess
1	BSc Maths	60	58	----
2	BSc Physics	48	55	7
3	BSc Chemistry	48	54	6
4	BSc Botany	44	50	6
5	BSc Zoology	44	51	7
6	BA Economics	60	77	17
7	BA English Language & Literature	40	60	20
8	B.Com	60	80	20
9	BA Journalism & Mass Communication	30	41	11
10	BSc. Botany & Biotechnology	24	28	4
11	BA English Language & Literature (SF)	60	74	14
12	B.Com (Self Finance)	60	74	14
13	B.com (Accounts & Audit)	50	50	
14	BA English & Communicative English(SF)	40	43	
15	BSc Computer Science(SF)	32	32	

It is seen that the Mar-Ivanios College, Trivandrum has started 2 new courses in Self Financing Stream namely English and Communicative English (BA) and BSc Computer Science related course from 2019 Admission onwards.

The EAC has sought remarks from Academic sections regarding the affiliation status of the courses.

The Ac.D dealing with autonomous colleges under University of Kerala has not received any application for starting above mentioned courses in self Financing stream in Mar Ivanios College till date.

As per the remarks of Ac.BII Section dealing with affiliation of courses in aided stream Mar Ivanios College had submitted application for these courses on aided basis and as per reports of inspection through proper channel, the Syndicate at its meeting held on 25.05.2019(Item no.09.72.14) resolved to grant provisional Affiliation to BA English & Communicative English (40 seats) and 32 seats to Bsc. Computer Science courses and The Vice-Chancellor has ordered to implement the resolution subject to concurrence of the Govt., which was intimated to the Mar Ivanios College immediately. Further correspondence in this matter pending till date from the side of Mar Ivanios College and Govt.

Meanwhile Mar Ivanios College has started the course in self financing stream from 2019 onwards without informing University and submitted the details of course and number of students admitted to respective courses to EAC section as detailed below for issuance of Certificate on publication of result after 3 years.

1. BA English & Communicative English—43 Numbers
2. BSc Computer Science---32 Numbers

Since all other courses except above mentioned two (2) courses submitted from the Mar Ivanios College has been affiliated whether in self Financing or aided mode, EAC section has requested clarification in this regard.

Moreover, Mar Ivanios College has remitted the fees towards Annual Administration charges & affiliation charges of these two courses on 26 April 2022 and the same has been verified by the Cash R section on 05.05.2022, the file has been under processing for the clarification of affiliation status of these two courses.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 11.07.2022, vide item no.02 considered the matter and recommended the following points:

- to issue provisional certificate to 2019 admission UG Students in Mar Ivanios College, Trivandrum and Fatima Mata National College, Kollam.
- The matter regarding the excess admission made by Mar Ivanios College, Trivandrum and Fatima Mata National College, Kollam in the academic year 2019-'20 and starting of new programmes viz, BA English & Communicative English and Bsc Computer Science, with out the prior sanction of the University, be referred to the Syndicate.
- Considering the urgency of the matter, the Vice-Chancellor may permit implementation of the above recommendations exercising the powers conferred under section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

The Vice-Chancellor has implemented the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges, in exercise of the powers vested under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding the excess admission made by Mar Ivanios College, Trivandrum and Fatima Mata National College, Kollam in the academic year 2019-'20 and starting of new programmes viz, BA English & Communicative English and BSc Computer Science in Mar Ivanios College, with out the prior sanction of the University, is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to entrust the Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges, Dr.K.B.Manoj and Dr.K.G.Gopchandran, Members, Syndicate to hear the Principals of Mar Ivanios College, Trivandrum and Fatima Mata National College, Kollam regarding the excess admission made and starting of new programmes (BA English & Communicative English and BSc Computer Science) without the prior sanction of the University.

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Item No.16 Submission of proposal for conferment of autonomous status to St. Xavier's College, Thumba-Consideration of-reg.

(Ac.D)

The Manager, St. Xavier's Thumba has submitted the proposal for academic autonomy for the College along with copy of online application submitted to UGC to be forwarded to UGC by the Registrar.

St. Xavier's College, Thumba, a Government grant-in-aid college, affiliated to the University of Kerala is a premier institution in the domain of higher education in the coastal belt of Thiruvananthapuram. Kerala Jesuit Society started St. Xavier's College, as junior college in 1964 in Loyola College, Campus and later shifted to its present location at Thumba. The College was re-accredited by NAAC with A Grade of CGPA 3.22. The College offers 9 Under graduate and 2 Post Graduate programmes. (The proposal submitted by the Manager, St.Xaviers Thumba, attached herewith)

Inorder to create a transformative impact on society through academic autonomy with in the frame wok of the established system to enhancement of quality education the college has submitted online application for Academic autonomy to UGC on 15.11.2021, and requests for appropriate steps from the side of University of Kerala to confer autonomy for St. Xaviers College, Thumba vide application dated 08.07.2022.

The University Grants Commission(Conferment of Autonomous Status Up on Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2018, read as follows;

Clause 4. ROLE OF THE PARENT UNIVERSITY

4.2) If the University does not forward the proposal/provide nominee within 30 days, it shall be presumed that the University has no objection to the processing of the proposal by the UGC for conferment of autonomous status. In this case, date of application is 08.07.2022, last dateof application to be forwarded by the University to UGC is 07.08.2022.

6. ELIGIBILITY

6.1) Colleges (of any discipline) whether aided, partially aided and unaided/self financing are eligible provided they are under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act.

6.2) The college should have at least 10 years of existence.

6.3) The colleges must be accredited by either NAAC with minimum 'A' Grade or by NBA for at least three programme(s) with a minimum score of 675 individually or a corresponding accreditation Grade/score from a UGC empanelled accreditation agency. However, if the number of programme(s) being run by the Institution is less than three, then each of the programmes should secure 675 or more marks. Accreditation status must be valid at the time of application. **St. Xaviers College, is accredited with Grade 'A' by NAAC (Effective From July 2017).**

7. CONFERMENT/EXTENSION OF AUTONOMOUS STATUS

7.1) A College intending to become autonomous shall make an application in the format specified by the Commission any time during the year. **The college has submitted the application to UGC on 15.11.2021.**

7.2) The college shall forward an advance copy of the proposal to University Grants Commission indicating the date of receipt of the proposal by the parent university for the record of the UGC. **The College has forwarded proposal to University on 08.07.2022 after submitting the application to UGC.**

7.3) The College shall submit the proposal to the Parent/Affiliating University which may forward the same to UGC within 30 days of the receipt of proposal. In case the proposal is rejected by the University, the decision shall be communicated to the college and University Grants Commission through a "Speaking Order"

The Manager has also submitted the copies of the Certificate from the UGC for 2(f), 12 (B), UGC NAAC grade sheet, online application submitted to UGC.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the proposal for conferring autonomous status to St.Xavier's, Thumba is placed before the Syndicate for consideration and recommendation.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to reject the proposal for conferring autonomous status to St.Xavier's, Thumba, since the as college has not submitted the necessary supporting documents.

FURTHER RESOLVED to inform the decision of the Syndicate to the College and University Grants Commission at the earliest.

Item No.17

Minutes of the meeting to discuss matters regarding Shifting/Deployment of teachers from SDE to various Teaching Departments – approval of – reg. (Ad.B.III)

Dr.P.P.Ajayakumar, Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Dr. S. Nazeeb, Member Syndicate, abstained from the meeting of the Syndicate while considering the Item No.17

The Syndicate held on 28.05.2022 (item No. 42.86) considered the proposal for strengthening of teaching and research activities of University Departments and resolved to approve the same in principle. The Syndicate further resolved to entrust the Sub-committee to submit a detailed report after having consultation with Service Expert and legal aspects regarding the implementation of the proposal and to place the same before the Sub-committee.

Accordingly, the meeting held on 02.07.2022 recommended to entrust Adv. B.Balachandran & Dr. K.G Gopchandran (Members, Syndicate) to go through the service /legal aspects of the redeployment/ shifting of teachers from SDE to various Teaching Departments and to submit a report regarding the same before the Syndicate. The above recommendation was approved by the Vice Chancellor, in exercising the powers vested under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, subject to report to the Syndicate.

Hence, as per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the minutes of the meeting held on 02.07.2022 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration (Minutes & Report appended).

MINUTES OF THE MEETING TO DISCUSS MATTERS REGARDING SHIFTING/ DEPLOYMENT OF TEACHERS FROM SDE TO VARIOUS TEACHING DEPARTMENTS

Date : 02.07.2022
Time : 04.00 pm
Venue : PVC's Chamber

Members

1. Pro-Vice Chancellor Convenor : Sd/-
2. Adv.K.H Babujan Member, Syndicate : Ab
3. Adv.B.Balachandran Member, Syndicate : Sd/-
4. Dr. S.Nazeeb Member, Syndicate : Sd/-
5. Dr. K.G Gopchandran Member, syndicate : Sd/-
6. Dr.lal. C.A Director, SDE : Sd/-

The meeting commenced at 04.00 pm.

The Sree Narayana Guru Open University Act 2021 ensure the options for the existing permanent staff members of SDE either to remain in the University of Kerala or to move to the new university.

(Chapter 5 47(2) - “The distance education, continuing education and private registration which were under the jurisdiction of the Kerala University, the Calicut University, the Mahatma Gandhi University and the Kannur University established under the provisions of the Kerala University Act, 1974 (17 of 1974), the Calicut University Act, 1975 (5 of 1975), the Mahatma Gandhi University Act, 1985 (12 of 1985) and the Kannur University Act, 1996 (22 of 1996) respectively shall be separated and excluded from such Universities and be vested and brought under the jurisdictional limit of this University. The teachers, officers, employees, non teaching employees and other employees in regular service of the University who are likely to lose their post as a result of such vesting and jurisdictional limit and possess qualification specified for such posts shall have the right to permanently be appointed, by option, to similar posts in various categories to be created in the University, till such date as fixed by the Syndicate, by protecting the conditions of service they have been availing and enjoying in the parent Universities”).

The Committee recommended to shift all the 26 sanctioned post of permanent faculties in SDE to other teaching Departments of the University, as per requirement, provided they opt for the same. All the 18 teachers working at present in SDE be deployed to respective teaching Department under the University, after obtaining their willingness in writing. The Committee, in line with the resolution of the Syndicate held on 28.05.2022, recommended to entrust Adv.B.Balachandran & Dr.K.G Gopchandran (Members, Syndicate) to go through the service/ legal aspects of the said redeployment/ shifting and to submit a report before the Syndicate on the feasibility, and the manner in which the shifting is to be effected.

The service of Adv.Jyothichoodan, Special secretary Law (Rtd) (Service/Legal Expert) may be used for the purpose, if required. The Committee has further recommended that the above recommendations be approved by the Vice-Chancellor in exercising the powers vested under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act, 1974.

The meeting came to an end at 04.15 pm.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Sub-Committee meeting held on 02.07.2022 regarding shifting/ deployment of Teaching Faculty from School of Distance Education to various other Teaching Departments of University of Kerala in the light of Chapter 5 Sub-Section (2) of Section 47 of Sree Narayanaguru Open University Act, 2021 by which the University is barred from conducting Distance Education Programmes and Private Registration. The Committee also noted that the Act also provides for the Teaching Faculty of School of Distance Education to continue in the University. Therefore, the Syndicate **RESOLVED** that the Statutory sanctioned posts of teaching faculty sanctioned in the School of Distance Education shall be shifted to various Teaching and Research Departments of the University of appropriate discipline.

Considering the above the Syndicate **FURTHER RESOLVED** to approve the Report of Prof.(Dr.)K.G.Gopchandran and Adv.B.Balachandran, Members, Syndicate regarding the shifting/ deployment of 26 Teaching Posts of School of Distance Education, Kariavattom, University of Kerala to other Teaching and Research Departments of the University viz., Institute of Management in Kerala, Department of History, Department of Kerala Studies, Department of Commerce, Department of Political Science, Institute of English, Department of Mathematics, Department of Hindi, Department of Economics and Department of Sociology as mentioned in the detailed report (Report Appended) and to implement the same.

ALSO RESOLVED that the matter shall be reported to the Senate.

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Item No.18 B.Ed degree course -Complaints submitted by the students of 2020-22 batch-Report submitted by the Pro Vice Chancellor and Dr.K.B.Manoj, Member Syndicate-reg:- (Ac A III)

The B.Ed third semester students of 2020-22 batch, in their representation have raised the following concerns regarding prolonging course period.

1. As the University had revised the academic calendar for the B.Ed degree course (2020-22 batch) in connection with the Covid -19 situation, the commencement of III semester classes were shifted from 01.06.2021 to 26.11.2021.

But as per the notification for the SET examination-JAN 2022, the B.Ed students pursuing final year (III semester) of the course during the period 20.10.2021 to 03.11.2021 are only be eligible to apply for the same. Hence the B.Ed students of the University of Kerala (2020-22 batch) became ineligible to receive the SET certificate even though they had applied and passed the SET exam.

The University considered this matter and accordingly, letter No.Ac.AIII/2022 dated 11.03.2022 has been forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary, General Education Dept, intimating the issue of the B.Ed students and requested to consider this favourably so as to grant relaxation for the qualification for the SET Exam.

3. Another request submitted by the B.Ed students is to revise the academic calendar 2020-22, so that the course can be completed sufficiently earlier and thus to avoid course lag which occurred on account of Covid-19 pandemic.

The Syndicate held on 25.02.2022, vide item No.37.114.02 had considered the above matter and resolved to entrust the Pro Vice Chancellor to convene a meeting with the Principals of the B.Ed colleges to discuss the matter.

Accordingly an online meeting was convened on 15.03.2022 with the Principals of the B.Ed colleges and the meeting emphasized that, since B.Ed is a professional course and stipulations and guidelines issued by the NCTE have to be followed and the reduction of number of working days deviating from academic calendar will adversely affect the candidates in future.

Hence the meeting recommended to follow the existing academic calendar as such without reducing the number of working days. The Vice Chancellor has approved the recommendations of the Committee.

The Syndicate held on 12.04.2022, vide item No.40.110 considered the above matter and resolved to entrust the Pro Vice Chancellor and Dr.K.B.Manoj, Member Syndicate to examine the matter and submit detailed report before next Syndicate.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter along with the report submitted by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Dr.K.B.Manoj, Member Syndicate is placed before the Syndicate for consideration. (*The report is appended*)

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to approve the Report submitted by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Dr.K.B.Manoj, Member Syndicate regarding the complaints submitted by the 2020-2022 batch students of B.Ed Degree Course and initiate action accordingly.

FURTHER RESOLVED to send one more request to the Government for exempting the candidate from the stipulation regarding the eligibility for application to SET Examination.

Item No.19 Interim order dated 17.06.2022 in WP(C) No.17920/2022 filed by Smt.Uma Maheswari before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala – reg:

(Ad.DII)

Smt.Uma Maheswari, former inmate of the University Hostel for Women, Kariavattom was injured during hostel building collapse on 26th September 2009 while she was doing II year MA Tamil Degree course. She was admitted to the Medical College hospital with fractured vertebra and was discharged on 23.10.2009.

An amount of Rs.50,000/- was sanctioned by the University immediately to meet the medical expenses incurred for the treatment of Smt.Uma Maheswari. An additional amount of Rs.10,000/- was paid to her on the request after she was discharged from the hospital to return to her home at Munnar.

However Smt.Uma Maheswari later submitted request for financial assistance for her ongoing treatment, job and M.Phil admission. The Syndicate held on 13.12.2011 vide item No.05.112, considered the request and resolved to give M.Phil admission in Tamil as a special case and decided not to grant: (i) employment on compassionate grounds (ii) financial assistance for the on going treatment. She was given hostel admission in the University Researcher's Hostel for Women, Kariavattom on compassionate grounds where the seniority is the criteria for admission.

On the complaint filed by Smt.Uma Maheswari before the Kerala State Commission for SC & ST, the Commission, vide order dated 01.11.2017, has recommended to provide her a financial assistance of Rs. 3 lakh as a claim for the injury she had suffered and to meet expenses of further treatment and to consider the matter of employment on compassionate ground. The Syndicate held on 10.05.2018, vide Item No.35.09, resolved to address the Government for financial assistance. The Government, vide letter dated 27.07.2018, intimated that since the Government is not a respondent, the University shall provide financial assistance to Smt. Uma Maheswari from their own funds, as per the recommendation of the Kerala State Commission for SC & ST. The Syndicate held on 22.11.2019, vide Item No.06.69.02 considered the matter and recommended not to consider the matter for any further assistance, since the Doctors had not recommended any further treatment in this regard and as compensation has already given to Uma Maheswari as financial assistance along with free M.Phil admission and hostel facilities.

Then, Smt. Uma Maheswari filed WP(C) No.17920/2022 before the High Court of Kerala to issue an appropriate order or direction commanding the University of Kerala to grant Rs. 3 Lakhs or such amount for the tortuous actions resulting in severe injuries to the petitioner and for her future treatment expenses as a reasonable compensation or to quash the decision of the Syndicate held on 22.11.2019 vide item No.06.69.02.

The Hon'ble High Court, while taking note of the rather peculiar circumstances involved, directed that the competent authority of the University shall confer with the petitioner to decide whether any out of court settlement can be explored vide interim order dated 17.06.2022. The case is posted for hearing on 18.07.2022.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the direction in the interim order dated 17.06.2022 is placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

Resolution of the Syndicate

RESOLVED to entrust the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Adv.B.Balachandran, Prof.K.Lalitha, Members Syndicate and the Registrar to hear the petitioner in the light of Interim Order dated 17.06.2022.
FURTHER RESOLVED to inform the decision of the Syndicate to the Hon'ble High Court with immediate effect.

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Item No.20 *Assigning duty to the Members of the Syndicate in valuation camps of CBCSS 2nd Semester UG Programme - Request from Dr.K.B.Manoj, Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations – reg.*

(M&C)

The Syndicate considered the request of Dr.K.B.Manoj, Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations, and **RESOLVED** that the members of the Syndicate be assigned duty in valuation camps of CBCSS 2nd Semester UG Programme as follows:

1. Thiruvananthapuram – Prof.K.Lalitha, DR.K.B.Manoj, Members Syndicate
2. Kollam - Dr.S.Nazeeb, Sri.J.Jairaj, Members Syndicate
3. Alappuzha - Sri.R.Arunkumar, Member Syndicate
4. Pandalam - Dr.M.Vijayan Pillai, Member Syndicate

FURTHER RESOLVED that Dr.K.B.Manoj, Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations be assigned the overall charge of valuation of camp of CBCSS 2nd Semester UG Programme.

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Item No.21 *Felicitation programme for the historic achievement on NAAC A++ accreditation on 22.07.2022 – consideration – reg*

(PRO)

Dr.R.Bindu, Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education, Government of Kerala has informed that the Department of Higher Education in association with the Kerala State Higher Education Council is planning to organize a felicitation function to congratulate University of Kerala for the remarkable achievement in the NAAC Accreditation, attaining A++ grade and an outstanding score of 3.67 which is the highest score ever achieved by a State University. The function is scheduled to be conducted on 22nd July, 2022 at 3.00 pm at the University Senate Hall, Senate House Campus, University of Kerala, Palayam, Thiruvananthapuram. The Minister also directed us to make arrangements for ensuring participation of the students, teachers, non-teaching staff and alumni members of the University in the function and requested the University to arrange refreshments to the participants. The matter may be placed before the Syndicate for consideration and necessary action – reg.

Resolution of the Syndicate

The Syndicate considered the matter and **RESOLVED** to organize the felicitation function on 22nd July, 2022 at 3.00 PM at the University Senate Hall, Palayam.

FURTHER RESOLVED to ensure the participation of former Vice-Chancellors, Members of the Senate, Syndicate, Academic Council, Dean, students, teaching and non-teaching staff, Alumni Members of the University.

ALSO RESOLVED that necessary arrangements shall be made for providing refreshments to the invitees.

ALSO RESOLVED to approve an advance amount of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) for organizing the felicitation function.

REGISTRAR

PRO-VICE-CHANCELLOR

VICE-CHANCELLOR

University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram,
15.07.2022



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
Preliminary Minutes of the 46th Meeting of the
Syndicate held on 02.09.2022
(Re-accredited by NAAC with 'A++' Grade)

Place of Meeting : University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram
 Time : 02.00 PM

Members Present:

1. Prof.(Dr.) V.P.Mahadevan Pillai *(In the Chair)*
Vice-Chancellor
2. Sri.M.S.Arun Kumar
3. Sri.B.P.Murali
4. Dr.S.Nazeeb
5. Dr.M.Vijayan Pillai
6. Sri.Bijukumar.G
7. Adv.K.H.Babujan
8. Adv.G.Muraleedharan Pillai
9. Dr.K.G.Gopchandran
10. Adv.A.Ajikumar
11. Sri.P.Rajendrakumar
12. Adv.B.Balachandran
13. Sri.Jairaj.J
14. Dr.K.B.Manoj
15. Sri.Arunkumar R
16. Sri.Sandeep Lal. S
17. Prof.K.Lalitha
18. Smt.Renju Suresh

Item No. 46.03 Confirmation of the Preliminary Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Syndicate held on 15.07.2022 -reg.

(Ac.A.I)

The Syndicate considered and approved the Preliminary Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Syndicate held on 15.07.2022.

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