



**Doon University, Dehradun
Office of the Registrar**

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Minutes of the 23rd Meeting of the Executive Council

23rd meeting of the Executive Council of Doon University was held on 18th March 2016 in the Office of the Vice Chancellor. The meeting was chaired by Prof. V. K. Jain, Vice Chancellor and Chairperson of the Executive Council.

Following were present in the meeting

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| 1. Prof. A. N. Purohit | Ex Vice Chancellor, HNB Garhwal University |
| 2. Dr. R. P. Singh | Professor, Poona College of Pharmacy, Pune |
| 3. Prof. R. K. Kale | Professor, Life Sciences, J. N. U. New Delhi |
| 4. Dr. Sekhar Raha | Trustee, Nehru Trust for Cambridge University |
| 5. Mr Sridhar Babu Addanki | Additional Secretary, Govt of Uttarakhand, Representative of Principal Secretary, Higher Education |
| 6. Prof. Kusum Arunachalam | Prof. School of Environment and Natural Resources |
| 7. Shri B. C. Tewari | Finance Controller (Invitee) |
| 8. Dr. B. M. Harbola | Registrar and Secretary, Executive Council |

At the outset the Vice Chancellor extended a warm welcome to the members. The Registrar informed that Prof. R.D. Anand and Prof. M.L. Sharma have expressed their inability to attend the meeting due to personal reasons and have conveyed their apology. Thereafter the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of 22nd meeting of the Executive Council was presented and the agenda items were taken up one by one.

Item 2016:23:02 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Executive Council held on 29th July 2015

The Executive Council confirmed the minutes of the 22nd meeting of the Executive Council after incorporating corrections in Item No. 2015:22:06 as '*Prof. Kusum Arunachalam withdrew from the discussion and did not participate*'.

Item 2016:23:03 Review of action taken on the resolutions of 22nd Meeting of the Executive Council.

The Action Taken Report on the resolutions of 22nd meeting of the Executive Council was presented before the members. On the pending issues of extension order of Dr B.M. Harbola, Registrar and creation of faculty positions in Economics, Foreign Languages and Physical Sciences (Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Computer Science) the Chairperson requested the Additional Secretary, Higher Education to look into the issues and get the

orders issued. The Additional secretary assured that he will immediately look into the matter and advised the University to follow it up.

The Chairperson also informed that as of now no approval has been given by the UGC for the establishment of Hindi Department. If approval is not received the University will not be able to offer the two academic programmes, but will have only a functional Hindi course.

The Executive Council expressed its displeasure on the act of SoM faculty passing a resolution against the decision of the statutory body approving to engage Dr Rakesh Belwal as Adjunct Faculty and considered it as questioning the decision and authority of the Executive Council, hence is an act of indiscipline. The Executive Council advised not to consult the School in such matters.

On the action taken report on item no. 2015:22:10 w.r.t. provision of fine for late payment of tuition, hostel, mess fees, Prof V.K. Jain proposed to allow the Vice Chancellor to exempt/ reduce the fine, the Executive Council advised that any such matter should be dealt according to the Financial Rules.

Item 2016:23:04 To inform about submission of Self Study Report to NAAC.

Chairperson further informed that NAAC Secretariat has informed to undertake the Evaluation Visit during May- July 2016. Since the University shall be occupied with the annual examinations and admissions for the new academic session we are requesting them to consider appropriate date during September- October. EC members appreciated the initiative and efforts of the University and advised to make required preparation for the presentation and consultative sessions and also get the Alumni Association registered.

Item 2016:23:05 To report about British Council Division sponsored Generation UK-India Study Placement Programme 2016.

Appreciating the initiative the Executive Council congratulated the University for selection and award of short duration course on Yoga and Wellness. The Chairperson informed that approximately 40-50 students from the UK Universities shall attend the course in August 2016. These students will live in the campus. The official of the British Council Division, after visit/inspection of the University, has desired that to meet the prescribed standards the University should upgrade and enhance the facilities in the guest house and the campus and also enhance security and safety of the visiting UK students. Dr. Raha said that this is a significant achievement and the University should make sure to get best faculty for implementation of the course and maintain high standards. He also advised that the University should inform about this achievement to Dr Gajendra Singh, the first Vice Chancellor of the University, who was the main architect and visionary behind the establishment of the University.

Item 2016:23:06 To report joining of Dr Sudha Rani Pandey as Emeritus Professor

The Executive Council approved joining of Dr Sudha Rani Pandey as UGC Emeritus Professor in Doon University.

Item 2016:23:07 To report appointment to the post of Assistant Registrar.

The Executive Council approved the appointment of Mr Narendra Lal to the post of Assistant Registrar.

Item 2016:23:08 To report about the resignation of two faculty members Dr B. Chanyal, Assistant Professor and Dr Sameena Mehtab, Assistant Professor.

The Executive Council took note of the resignation of two faculty members Dr B. Chanyal, Assistant Professor and Dr Sameena Mehtab, Assistant Professor.

Item 2016:23:09 To report joining of Dr Charu Dwivedi as Assistant Professor in the Department of Chemistry.

The Executive Council approved joining of Dr Charu Dwivedi as Assistant Professor in the Department of Chemistry.

Item 2016:23:10 To report receiving of grants under RUSA.

The Executive Council expressed its pleasure in receiving the grant and hoped that the University shall continue to get grants in future.

Item 2016:23:11 To report confirmation of Dr. V. K. Saini to the post of Assistant Professor, SENR

The Executive Council approved confirmation of Dr. V.K. Saini to the post of Assistant Professor.

Item 2016:23:12 To report about grant of leave of Dr S. S. Mohanty, Assistant Professor in Economics.

The Executive Council took note about grant of 2 years leave on lien to Dr. S. S. Mohanty, Assistant Professor in Economics.

Item 2016:23:13 To report reducing the Improvement Fee and Back Paper Fee for the students.

The Executive Council approved reducing Improvement Fee and Back Paper Fee for the students from Rs 500/ to Rs 200/ each per paper effective from 1st January 2016 onwards.

Item 2016:23:14 To consider report of enquiry committee on the appointment of Dr S. S Suthar, Associate Professor, SENR

Since Prof. Kusum Arunachalam was among one of the complainants she withdrew from the discussions and did not participate. Giving the background of the report the Vice Chancellor informed the members about the directions received from the Hon'ble Governor/Chancellor asking the Executive Council to take a decision on the complaint and inform the

Rajbhawan Sachivalaya. The Vice Chancellor presented the contents of the report including the observations, findings and conclusions of the enquiry committee for the consideration of the members. Prof. A. N. Purohit asked the Registrar to present the application form of Dr S. S. Suthar along with all the documents with regard to his experience as shown in the application form for a random checking. Prof. Purohit found that there are anomalies in the experience shown in the application form and the experience certificates attached. Dr Suthar has clubbed together different short durations of his service and has also shown different designations.

The Executive Council was of the view that the apparent anomalies as indicated by Prof. Purohit be examined. Prof. R. K. Kale agreed to carry out this responsibility.

Item 2016:23:15 To consider recommendations of the Committee for revision of salary of the staff working in the University through outsourcing agency UPNL.

The Vice Chancellor informed about the demand of the UPNL staff for revision of salary and the constitution of the Committee to examine the issues. Presenting the report the Registrar read the recommendations of the Committee before the members. Having considered the report and its findings/recommendations the Executive Council recommended to forward the report to the State Government for consideration as the matter is already under consideration consequent to the state wide strike of the UPNL employees.

Item 2016:23:16 To consider and approve starting new academic programmes from the academic session 2016-17

Having considered the agenda item the Executive Council approved starting following programmes from the Academic Session 2016-17

Programme to be offered	Mode	Proposed fee structure in Rs	
		Tuition Fee	Other Fee
Ph.D. Programme in Chemistry	Regular	10,000	10,000
Ph.D. Programme in Physics	Regular	10,000	10,000
Ph.D. Programme in Computer Science	Regular	10,000	10,000
Ph.D. Programme in Maths	Regular	10,000	10,000
Ph.D. Programme in English	Regular	10,000	10,000
B.Lib. in Library and Information Science	Self financed	28,150	
M.Lib. in Library and Information Science	Self financed	32,150	
Masters Programme in Social Work 30 seats	Self financed	30,000	7,000
Certificate Programme in Cloud Computing (6 months)	Self financed	15,000	7,000

Item 2016:23:17 To consider medical reimbursement to Mr Satish Kumar, Safai Karmchari

Having considered the request the Executive Council approved to provide an ex gratia financial help of Rs 4000/ to Mr Satish Kumar.

Item 2016:23:18 To consider and approve purchase of vehicle for the Vice Chancellor

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council approved purchase of vehicle for the Vice Chancellor as admissible to a Head of the Department in State Government.

Item 2016:23:19 To consider representation of Mr Nitin Kumar, Assistant Professor, SoC with regard to extension of his study leave to complete his Ph.D. programme

Presenting the representation of Mr Nitin Kumar the Vice Chancellor also presented the progress report sent by the Ph.D. Supervisor. Having considered the progress report and the representation the Executive Council did not approve the request of extension of study leave to Mr Nitin Kumar and resolved that he can take leave without pay to complete his Ph.D.

Item 2016:23:20 To consider and approve engagement of Dr B.R. Deepak, Professor Chinese Studies, JNU as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Chinese Studies, SoL

The Executive Council having considered the agenda approved to engage Dr B.R. Deepak, Professor Chinese Studies, JNU as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Chinese Studies, SoL

Item 2016:23:21 To consider and approve engagement of Dr Vipin Kumar Saini, Assistant Professor, SENR as Adjunct Faculty in the Department of Chemistry, SoPS

The Executive Council having considered the agenda approved to engage Dr Vipin Kumar Saini, Assistant Professor, SENR as Adjunct Faculty in the Department of Chemistry, SoPS.

Item 2016:23:22 To consider and approve to engage Mr K. D. Sharma, Advocate as Legal Advisor of the University.

Having considered the C.V. of Mr K.D. Sharma the Executive Council approved to engage him as University Legal Advisor.

Item 2016:23:23 To consider and approve the list of experts for selection-interview for the various faculty positions in different disciplines subjects.

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council approved the lists of experts for selection-interview for various faculty positions in School of Environment and Natural Resource and Department of Economics which are to be sent to the Chancellor for final approval.

Item 2016:23:24 To consider and approve Housing Rules (Regulations for Classification, Allotment, Retention and Vacation of residential accommodation) of the University.

Having gone through the agenda the Executive Council considered and approved Housing Rules (Regulations for Classification, Allotment, Retention and Vacation of Residential Accommodation) of the University.

Item 2016:23:25 **Any other items with the permission of the Chair**

Item 2016:23:25:1 **To consider and approve Draft Doon University Proctorial Board rules**

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council approved the **Proctorial Rules** of the University.

Item 2016:23:25:2 **To consider request of Mr Chandrika Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of German Studies, SoL for granting study leave for pursuing Ph.D.**

The Vice Chancellor informed that Mr Chandrika Kumar applied for admission in Ph.D. programme without the permission from the competent authority and is now requesting for the grant of study leave for pursuing Ph.D. at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. In view of the proposed visit of NAAC expert committee during the next academic session and lack of faculty in the Department of German Studies at this point of time it is difficult to grant study leave. Mr Chandrika Kumar is the only regular faculty in the Department.

Having considered the facts and details the Executive Council rejected the request of grant of study leave to Mr Chandrika Kumar.

Item 2016:23:25:3 **To consider request of Mrs Swagata Basu, Assistant Professor, Department of Spanish Studies, SoL for granting study leave for pursuing Ph.D.**

The Vice Chancellor informed that Ms Swagata Basu applied for admission in Ph.D. programme without the permission from the competent authority and is now requesting for the grant of study leave for pursuing Ph.D. at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. He said that in view of the proposed visit of NAAC expert committee during the next academic session and lack of faculty in the Department of Spanish Studies at this point of time it is difficult to grant study leave.

Having considered the facts and details the Executive Council rejected the request of grant of study leave to Ms Swagata Basu.

Item 2016:23:25:4 **To consider giving honorarium to faculty performing extra administrative responsibilities.**

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council agreed in principle to provide for incentive to the faculty performing administrative and other extracurricular responsibilities. However the Executive Council was of the view that the categories of responsibilities need to be further classified and differentiated as the Chairperson and other members or the Chief Proctor and Proctors cannot be put up in the same category. The Executive Council

suggested to further clarify the categories and authorized the Vice Chancellor to take a decision on the matter.

Item 2016:23:25:5 To consider and approve modification in the fee structure/other fees.

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council was of the view that it would not be appropriate to do away with the Professional Exposure fee for all the academic programmes as there are some schools wherein professional exposure is an essentially requirement. However in other schools where such exposure is not mandatory, the charging of professional exposure fee may be made optional wherein the respective schools/department may collect fee from the students and spend the money as per the rules and guidelines. The Finance department should lay down clear rules and guidelines in this regard.

Item 2016:23:25:6 To consider the report of the committee constituted by the Vice Chancellor to enquire into the incident of the Warden House Complex- House no. 101 on 3rd March 2016.

Presenting the report of the committee the Vice Chancellor explained the background of the incident and need of conducting the enquiry. He presented the observations of the committee. The Vice Chancellor also informed that the administration has also received complaints about his conduct and behavior in the past two years.

The Executive Council having considered the report and the facts presented by the Vice Chancellor resolved that the allotment of house no. 101 to Dr Gajendra Singh should be cancelled and he should be asked to vacate the residence with immediate effect. The Executive Council also resolved that the conduct and behavior of Dr Gajendra Singh is unbecoming of a teacher, particularly of a University which is aiming to be a Center of Excellence. The Executive Council also resolved that Dr Gajendra Singh should be removed from the responsibility of In-charge Head of the Department, School of Management. The Executive Council suggested that the University may obtain a legal advice and take appropriate action against Dr Gajendra Singh.

(Dr. B. M. Harbola)
Registrar & Secretary
Executive Council

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