

#### Doon University, Dehradun

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### Minutes of the 24th Meeting of the Executive Council

24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council of Doon University was held on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> July 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:

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- Prof M. L. Sharma	Emeritus Fellow, Punjab University Chandigarh
6- Prof. R. D. Anand	Advocate High Court and Supreme Court, Chandigarh
7- Prof. Kusum Arunachalam	Prof. School of Environment and Natural Resources
8- Shri B. C. Tewari	Finance Controller (Invitee)
9- Dr. B. M. Harbola	Registrar and Secretary, Executive Council

At the outset the Vice Chancellor extended a warm welcome to the eminent members of the Executive Council and expressed his gratitude for attending the meeting. The Registrar informed that as per the directions of the Additional Chief Secretary and Principal Secretary, Higher Education, the Additional Secretary, Higher Education and the Secretary Finance were expected to attend the meeting. But due to their prior engagements they have expressed their inability to attend the meeting on phone. Thereafter, the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council was presented for review and the agenda items were taken up one by one.

# Item 2016:24:02 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

The Executive Council confirmed the minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council.

## Item 2016:24:03 Review of action taken on the resolutions of 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council.

The Vice Chancellor presented the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council for the information and observations of the members. While reviewing the ATR on item 2016:23:03 with regard to progress on extension order of Dr. B. M. Harbola, Registrar, the Executive Council expressed surprise and concern on no action taken



despite the fact that the issue is pending for more than a year and half and the Additional Secretary Higher Education had given his assurance in the last meeting in this regard. The Executive Council advised that University should bring this into the knowledge of the Hon'ble Governor and Chancellor and request to him to consider the issue and give necessary directions. The Executive Council also expressed its serious concern over the delay in creation of faculty positions in Economics, Foreign Languages and Physical Sciences.

On the item no. 2016:23:06 with regard to joining of Dr Sudha Rani Pandey as UGC Emeritus Professor, Prof. R.D. Anand informed that Dr Sudha Rani Pandey would have joined as Emeritus Fellow of UGC and not as UGC Emeritus Professor. This was verified and found correct. The University shall make necessary corrections in this regard.

The Executive Council considered the representation of Mrs Swagata Basu, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Spanish Studies, SOL dated 4<sup>th</sup> July 2016 for granting study leave to pursue Ph.D., while reviewing the ATR on item no. 2016:23:25:03. The Vice Chancellor informed that the Head, Department of Spanish Studies, JNU has said that Ms Swagata Basu can seek deferment for one year to register in the Ph.D. programme. However, Ms Basu will have to formally approach the JNU in this regard. The Executive Council resolved that the University can accordingly advise Ms Swagata Basu to apply for deferment for one year to JNU.

The Executive Council approved the Action Taken Report.

#### Item 2016:24:04

To consider recommendations of the Selection Committee for the appointment of faculty positions in the School of Management.

The Chairperson presented the recommendations of the Selection Committee held on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> April 2016 for the posts of Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor in the School of Management for the consideration and approval of the Executive Council.

The Executive Council, having considered, approved the recommendations of the Selection Committees as given in the table below:

Post	No. of Posts	Post Details	Results
Assistant Professor	3	1(ST) 1(OBC) 1(UR)	ST- Nobody appeared for interview OBC- Ms Vaishali UR – Ms Smita Tripathi
Associate Professor	3	1(SC) 1(URW) 1(UR)	SC- None found suitable URW- None found suitable UR- Dr Reena Singh
Professor	2	1 (SC) 1 (UR)	SC- None found suitable UR- Dr H.C. Purohit



Item 2016:24:05

To consider recommendations of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professors in the Deptt. of Economics, School of Social Sciences.

The Chairperson informed that interview for the post of Associate Professor was not held on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016 and presented the recommendations of the Selection Committee held on 31 May 2016 for the post of Assistant Professor in the Department of Economics for the consideration and approval of the Executive Council.

The Executive Council having considered approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee as given in the table below:

Post	No. of Posts	Post Details	Result	
Assistant Professor	1	1 SC	None found suitable	

The Executive Council also directed to re advertise the posts.

Item 2016:24:06

To consider report of Prof. R. K. Kale, Member, Executive council on the anomalies in the experience of Dr. S. S. Suthar, Associate Professor, SENR

Prof. R. K. Kale presented the report on the anomalies in the experience of shown by Dr. S. S. Suthar, Associate Professor, SENR in his application for the post of Associate Professor and appreciated the methodical, detailed analysis of the facts and information based on examination of the records. Considering the report presented by Prof. R. K. Kale, the Executive Council was of the view that it is clearly apparent from the report that Dr S.S. Suthar misrepresented facts in his application for the post of Associate Professor in Doon University. The Executive Council resolved that Dr Suthar should be issued a charge sheet to explain his stand in this regard within a time frame. Explanation received from Dr S. S. Suthar should be put up for the consideration of the next Executive Council.

Item 2016:24:07

To consider representation of students with regard to repealing of certain provisions of Doon University Students' Discipline and Conduct Rules

The Vice Chancellor explained the context of formulation of the Doon University Students' Discipline and Conduct Rules which were approved by the Executive Council in its previous meeting. These rules were published in the admission Prospectus 2016-17 to which a group of students objected on certain provisions of the rules and protested to repeal them. Accordingly the Proctorial Board reviewed them and has submitted the revised rules.

The Executive Council having considered the agenda approved the revised Doon University Students' Discipline and Conduct Rules.

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#### Item 2016:24:08

# To report progress on the establishment of Tribal Research Institute at Doon University

The Registrar informed the members that the Department of Tribal Affair has approved a sum of Rs 1.66 crores to the constructions agency. The tender process for the construction has been completed and construction is likely to start in near future. He has also submitted the By-laws for the establishment of TRI under the Society Registration Act 1860 and also a proposal for the creation of posts to the Department/Government.

The Executive Council expressed its satisfaction over the progress and developments in the establishment of Tribal Research Institute at Doon University.

#### Item 2016:24:09

To consider request of Mr Madhurendra Kumar Jha, Assistant Professor, Department of Chinese for the grant of permission and third year of study leave to avail the ICS-HYI Fellowship 2016.

Having considered the agenda the Executive Council was of view that Mr M.K. Jha did not obtain prior permission from Doon University before applying for the fellowship. Since the period of his ICS-HYI fellowship corresponds with the second year of his study leave for pursuing Ph.D. in JNU, New Delhi, he may be granted permission to avail first part of the fellowship.

In view of some other previous cases the Executive Council did not approve extending study leave for the third year to Mr Jha. However, it was resolved that Mr M.K. Jha may be granted leave without pay for availing the second part of fellowship at Harvard Yenching Institute, Massachusetts, USA but he will be required to apply for leave without pay in this regard.

The Executive Council also directed that before the decision of the Executive Council is communicated to Mr Jha, he should be asked to explain his position as to why did he not obtain prior permission from Doon University before applying for the fellowship?

#### Item 2016:24:10

To consider the report of three members committee constituted to examine Ms Mala Sikha's request for considering her Erasmus Mundus Masters Degree equivalent to M.Phil. Degree and four increments in the salary.

The Executive Council having considered the agenda resolved that Ms Mala Sikha should obtain equivalence of her Erasmus Mundus Masters Degree from Association of Indian Universities (AIU) and submit the equivalence report to the University. The Executive Council also resolved that in any such matters of equivalence concerned faculty should apply to the AIU first and then put up his/her application.



#### Item 2016:24:11

To report further developments on compliance of the resolution of the Executive Council on cancellation and vacating of the allotted house to Dr. Gajendra Singh and his removal from the responsibility of the I/c HoD, SoM and take appropriate decision

The Vice Chancellor presented an update on the issue of cancellation of allotted house to Dr Gajendra Singh as well as removing him from the responsibility from I/c HoD, SoM. He also informed that Dr Gajendra Singh filed a writ petition in the High Court of Uttarakhand but failed to submit counter affidavit and did not proceed further to contest the petition. The Vice Chancellor also informed that Dr Gajendra Singh has not yet submitted the documents for his application/claim to get promotion under the CAS despite the reminder given to him by the University. Prof. R. D. Anand, EC member suggested that the University can always use the affidavit and facts filed by him and take appropriate action in his case. The University may consider giving a final reminder/notice to Dr Gajendra Singh to submit the required documents within a time frame and accordingly take a decision.

#### Item 2016:24:12

To consider and approve engaging Dr Ashish Agnihotri as Visiting Professor in the Department of French, SoL for a period of two years.

The Executive Council having considered the agenda item approved to engage Dr Ashish Agnihotri as Visiting Professor in the Department of French and Francophone Studies, SoL for a period of two years.

- Item 2016:24:13
- To consider the case of late registration in academic programme and non payment of fees by Ms Rashi Mishra, Ph.D. Student, SENR
- Item 2016:24:14
- To consider the request of Ms Nazia Qureshi, Ph.D. Student, SoM for continuation of her Ph.D. research work- a case of late registration in academic programme and non payment of fees.
- Item 2016:24:15
- To consider the request of late submission of fee of Mr Vineet Singh, Ph.D. research student, SENR
- Item 2016:24:16

To consider the request of Mr Ashish Soni, Ph.D. student SENR for exemption from payment of late fee.

The Vice Chancellor presented the background and details of four cases of late registration, non payment of fee and for granting exemption from payment of late fee with regard to Ms Rashi Mishra, Ph.D. student, SENR, Ms Nazia Qureshi, Ph.D. student SoM, Mr Vineet Singh, Ph.D. student. SENR and Mr Ashish Soni, Ph.D. student SENR listed in item no. 2016:24:13 to 16 above.

Having considered the facts and details presented by the Vice Chancellor, the Executive Council resolved that all the four students should be charged the late payment fee and therefore, should be directed to deposit the pending unpaid fees along with the late payment as per rules and register in their





respective Ph.D. programmes. If they fail to do so their registration from the programme should be cancelled. The Executive Council also resolved that the administration should assign clear cut responsibility to the HoDs and the Finance/Accounts Section and give them instructions to keep a track of the fee paid by the students and accordingly inform the administration of the defaulter students immediately.

## Item 2016:24:17 To consider and approve guidelines for the constitution of the Students' Council of Doon University.

The Vice Chancellor presented the background for the formulation of the guidelines of the Students' Council of Doon University and presented the draft of the guidelines prepared by the committee constituted for this purpose. He informed that the committee has prepared the guidelines keeping in view the Doon University's Statutes and recommendations of the Lyngdoh Committee as well as the guidelines/rules of other universities such as Central University of Himachal Pradesh University.

Prof. R. D. Anand offered to examine the draft and give the advise. The Executive Council having discussed the matter approved the guidelines for constitution of the Students' Council of Doon University in principle and authorized the Vice Chancellor to take a decision in this regard.

# Item 2016:24:18 To adopt the amended guidelines of UGC for direct recruitment/ CAS of Faculty and Ph.D. Regulations.

The Executive Council having considered the agenda approved to adopt Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in the Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education 2016 (3<sup>rd</sup> amendment) Regulations 2016 notified by UGC on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

The Executive Council also approved to adopt amended UGC Regulation N. 2781 notified by the UGC on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2016 titled *UGC* (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil/Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations 2016.

## Item 2016:24:19 To re-engage contractual and guest faculty for teaching in respective Schools for the session 2016-17.

The Executive Council having considered the agenda approved to re-engage following persons as contractual and guest faculty for the academic session 2016-17:

S.N.	Name of faculty	Department	Nature
1	Sh. Shiv Kumar Dadar	SOM	Contractual Faculty
2	Ms Ramanpreet Kaur	SOSS	Contractual Faculty
3	Dr. Madhu Bisht	SOSS	Contractual Faculty



4	Dr. R.N. Sharma	Chinese	Contractual Faculty
5	Ms Sutanuka Preetam	Chinese	Contractual Faculty
6	Ms Jaspreet Kaur Layal	German	Contractual Faculty
7	Ms Yogita Arya	German	Guest Faculty
8	Mr Alok Prasad Naithani	German	Contractual Faculty
9	Sh Varun Dev Sharma	French	Contractual Faculty
10	Ms Prashali Khanduri	German	Guest Faculty
11	Ms Somaia Biswas	Chinese	Guest Faculty
12	Arundhati Bhattacharya	Spanish	Guest Faculty
13	Mr. Shekhar Maithani	Spanish	Guest Faculty
14	Ms Andhruti Shah	English	Contractual Faculty
15	Mr. Vishwas Kumar	Japanese	Contractual Faculty
16	Mr. Devashish Pundir	Comp. Sc.	Contractual Faculty
17	Dr. Hirdesh Kumar Pharasi	Physics	Contractual Faculty
18	Mr Krishna Nand Rastogi	SOT	Contractual Faculty
19	Mr. M.C. Devrari	SOC	Contractual Faculty
20	Ms. Dhiriti Dhaundiyal	SOD	Contractual Faculty
21	Ms. Ishani Ghoshal	e William III	Guest Faculty
22	Ms. Jaskrin Chopra	SOC	Guest Faculty
23	Ms. Neha Rawat	Spanish	Guest Faculty
24	Sh. Swami Kundan Kishor	Chinese	Contractual Faculty

Item 2016:24:20 Any other item/ issue with permission of the Chair.

Item 2016:24:20:01 To permit conversion of teaching posts in the School of Social Sciences

Item 2016:24:20:02 To consider appointing one Assistant Professor in French against the post of Associate Professor in Japanese.

The Vice Chancellor informed the members that the University has been sincerely making efforts to get the new/additional faculty positions sanctioned from the State Government in the past two years. However, despite all assurances from the Chief Secretary, Secretary/Secretary Higher Education the required positions of teachers in various Schools/Subjects have not been sanctioned. The University is finding it extremely difficult to provide for the required teachers to teach various courses in some programmes such as Economics, Languages. Besides, the Government has not sanctioned senior positions of Professors and Associate Professors in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Computer Science. For obtaining a good grade under the NAAC evaluation each School/Department should be complete in terms of the positions of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors as per the UGC standards. Accordingly the University submitted a fresh proposal again this year to the Secretary Higher Education who assured to sanction these positions. However, the University has not received any communication in this regard.



It is in this context, keeping in view the challenges of teaching courses in Economics and Languages we are proposing for conversion of teaching posts in the School of Social Sciences and Languages. The Executive Council members agreed with the facts presented by the Vice Chancellor in this regard and said that this issue was also discussed in the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Court of Doon University last year and it was resolved that the University should have autonomy and flexibility for transferring positions in the Schools and also from some schools to other schools with the approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor. The University should accordingly act on the above two additional items 2016:24:20:01 and 20:02.

### Item 2016:24:20:03 To consider and approve draft of Annual Report 2014-15

The Vice Chancellor presented the draft of the Annual Report of the University for the year 2014-15 for the observations, comments and suggestions of the members. The members observed that the achievements-progress of the students should be highlighted in the report prominently. The members also expressed their concern over the number of few research publications by the faculty in some Schools and suggested that the faculty need to be motivated continuously in this regard.

Having considered the draft the Executive Council approved the draft of the Annual Report 2014-15.

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

Copy to all members of the Executive Council for reference and observations.

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