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COCHIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

MINUTES OF THE 470th MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON
30.03.2004

Place of meeting : Administrative Buildings
Kochi - 682 022

Time : 11.00 a.m.

Members present:

1. Dr.Cyriac Thomas (in the Chair)
Vice-Chancellor
2. Sri.K.Mohammed Ali, MLA
3. Dr.K.C.Joseph, MLA
4. Sri.V.K.Ebrahimkunju, MLA
5. Prof.B.Suseelan
6. Sri.Lopus Mathew
7. Sri.Zakkariya K A
8. Dr.K.N.Chandrasekharan Pillai
9. Dr.P.A.Shemim Aliyar
10. Dr.K.T.Damodaran
11. Sri.E.M.Najeeb

Also present:

Dr.K.V.Kunhikrishnan
Registrar

Item No.470.01: Presentation of Budget Estimates -
BE 2004-05.

The Syndicate considered the budget proposals for the year 2004-05 and resolved to approve the same, with the following:

(i) For all the seven new Schools/Centres proposed to be established, token provision be made in the budget from the State Plan funds, towards seed money for its initial activities, pending receipt of approval and funds from the concerned external agencies.

(ii) However, for the purpose of providing a regular budget allocation, close follow up action be taken to obtain approval of the concerned funding agencies, and it may also be ensured that the financial viability of running these new Schools/Centres are properly established beforehand.

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(iii) Other related and relevant aspects like - Academic Regulations, Course Content, the Faculty under which these Schools/Centres could function, identification of the person to initially head these Schools/Centres, etc., may be separately considered, and necessary action initiated,

(iv) As regards the proposal for construction of a University auditorium, the same be taken up only after ensuring availability of external funding assistance in a substantial manner, as State plan funds are not sufficient to meet even the ongoing commitments.

Items outside the agenda:

1. The Syndicate considered, the matter pending with the Director of General of Shipping, Mumbai for recognition of the B.Tech, course in Marine Engineering run by the School of Engineering.

It was resolved that a committee consisting of the following be authorised to liaise with the Director General of Shipping, Mumbai to obtain recognition for the B.Tech course in Marine Engineering.

1. Sri.K.Mohammed Ali, MLA
2. Prof.Lopus Mathew
3. The Registrar

2. The Syndicate considered the advise given by the Standing Counsel in the matter of the direction given by the High Court of Kerala in the interim judgement dated 29th January 2003 in CMP 38722/2002 in OP No.22622/2002 filed by some provisional Security Guards.

Resolved that-

- 1) Two candidates from the rank list of the Security Guards which expired on 30.01.2003 who are eligible for appointment according to their turn be appointed provisionally.
 - ii) The above two incumbents need be permitted to join duty only after getting further orders from court or after getting sanction from the Government whichever is earlier.
 - iii) Steps be taken to get the above OP finally disposed off.
3. The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in deciding to proceed with the present service conditions relating to retirement age in respect of security guards in the University Service, after considering the report

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of the personal hearing on the grievances of Sri.P.K.Narayanan, conducted as per direction given by the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala dated 27th February 2004 in WP (C) 6999 of 2004 (G) filed by Sri.P.K.Narayanan, Security Guard.

Resolved that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor be ratified.

4. The Syndicate considered the matter of filing Special Leave Petition in the Supreme Court of India, challenging the judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in Writ Appeal No.1018/2000 filed by some retired teachers of the University which entitled them salary for the period they continued in the University service beyond the age of sixty under an interim order of the court.

Resolved that no Special Leave Petition be moved in the Supreme Court of India challenging the decision of the High Court of Kerala in the matter.

5. The Syndicate considered the matter of extension of the tenure of certain temporary posts created in the University to meet the immediate requirements of various sections/offices beyond the period of 31.3.2004.

Resolved that -

- i) the 12 posts of Assistant Grade II created to meet immediate requirements of various sections of the University vide U.O.No.Ad.A1/153/2644/90 dated 31.12.2001 be continued for a further period of one year with effect from 1.4.2004.
- ii) the two posts of Professional Assistant Grade II created vide item No.457.14 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 21.3.2003 to meet the immediate requirements of the School of Engineering Library of the University be continued for a further period of one year w.e.f. 1.4.2004.
- iii) the posts of the Professional Assistant Grade II and one post of Peon created vide item No.464.75 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 29.9.2003 to meet the immediate requirements of the School of Engineering Library of the University, be continued for a further period of one year w.e.f 1.4.2004.

The meeting came to an end at 12.30 p.m.


REGISTRAR