

COCHIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**MINUTES OF THE 472nd MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 15.6.2004**

Place of meeting : Administrative Buildings
Kochi - 682 022

Time : 10.30 a.m.

Members present:

1. Dr. Cyriac Thomas (in the Chair)
Vice-Chancellor
2. Dr. K.C. Joseph, MLA
3. Dr. K.G. Balakrishnan
4. Sri Zakkariya K.A.
5. Dr. K.N. Chandrasekharan Pillai
6. Dr. A. Aravindakshan
7. Dr. K.T. Damodaran
8. Sri Ezhukone Narayanan, MLA
9. Prof. B. Suseelan
10. Sri K. Mohammed Ali, MLA
11. Sri Lopus Mathew

Immediately after calling the meeting to order, the Chairman made a reference to the demise of Sri E.K. Nayanar, former Chief Minister of Kerala. The Syndicate then observed two minutes silence as a mark of respect to the departed soul, and adopted the following resolution:

"The Syndicate of Cochin University of Science and Technology expresses its profound grief on the demise of Sri E.K. Nayanar, former Chief Minister of Kerala, who held the position for a period spanning about eleven years. The contributions of Sri Nayanar to the State of Kerala will ever be remembered".

The Syndicate then adopted the following resolution presented by the Chairman congratulating the new Union Government:

"The Syndicate of CUSAT conveys its congratulations to the newly formed Union Government under the leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh."

The Chairman then made a reference to Dr. N. Unnikrishnan Nair who relinquished the office of the Vice-Chancellor on 31.5.2004. The Syndicate adopted the following resolution presented by the Chairman:

"The Syndicate of the Cochin University of Science and Technology places on record its sense of gratitude and deep appreciation for the exemplary leadership of Dr. N. Unnikrishnan Nair, Vice-Chancellor in the academic and administrative functioning of the University. Dr. N. Unnikrishnan Nair has served in the University in several responsible capacities as Academician and Administrator – as Professor and Head of the Department of Statistics, Director, IRAA Unit, Registrar, Pro-Vice-Chancellor and as Vice-Chancellor. His services and contributions are very unique and exemplary and beneficial in the growth of the University. The Syndicate wish him all the best in the years ahead."

Item No.472.01 Confirmation of the minutes of the 471st meeting of the Syndicate held on 30.04.2004 – Regarding.

The minutes of the 471st meeting of the Syndicate held 30.4.2004 was confirmed subject to the following emendations:

1. In item No.471.01 in the confirmation of the minutes of the 469th meeting held on 20.2.2004, under the heading 469th meeting held on 20.2.2004 the following be added as Sl. No. 6:

"After the resolution under item No. 469.33 the words *Item Nos. 469.29 to 469.37 were deferred for consideration* be deleted and substituted with *Item Nos. 469.34 to 469.37 were deferred for consideration*."

2. In item No. 471.02 "Physical Oceanography" appearing in the heading as well as in the opening paragraph be removed.

3. In item No.471.07 in the resolution the "Dean, Faculty of Technology" be removed and substitute with "Prof. B. Suseelan".

4. In item No. 471.80 the resolution No. 3 be deleted and replaced with the following:

"3. One retired University Administrative personnel be appointed as the Administrative Officer for the office of the Director for a period of one year."

5. In item No. 471.81 the words "along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees on Academic Matters and Finance and Purchase" appearing in the opening paragraph be deleted.

6. The following be added as Item No. 471.91:

"The Syndicate considered the proposal for the purchase of electrical machines/lab equipments for the electrical laboratory of the Cochin University College of Engineering Kuttanad, Pulinkunnu.

Resolved that the electrical machines/lab equipments as detailed below be purchased from The Scientific Enterprises, PB No. 27, Eroor Road, Tripunithura, Kochi 682 301 at a total cost of Rs.14,54,422/-

No.	Qty.	Items with specification	Rate (Rs.)	Make	Total (Rs.)
1	1	Self excited DC shunt generator driven by DC motor 220V, 5Kw	83,538	Kirloskar	83,538
2	1	Self excited DC compound wound generator driven by DC motor 220V, 5Kw	83,538	Kirloskar	83,538
3	1	Self excited DC compound wound generator driven by IM motor 220V, 5Kw	62,790	Kirloskar	62,790
4	1	Separately excited DC shunt generator driven by DC motor 220V, 5Kw	83,538	Kirloskar	83,538
5	1	DC shunt motor with test rig 220V, 5HP	47,502	Kirloskar	47,502
6	1	DC compound motor with test rig 220V, 5HP	47,502	Kirloskar	47,502
7	1	DC series motor with test rig 220V, 5HP	47,502	Kirloskar	47,502
8	2	Single phase capacitor start Run IM with test rig and starter 230V, 2HP	16,926	CG	33,852
9	1	Single phase fan motor 230V, 25	4,914	CG	4,914
10	2	Three phase squirrel cage IM with test rig 400V, 5HP	22,500	Kirloskar	45,000
11	2	Three phase slip ring IM with test rig 400V, 5HP	58,968	Kirloskar	1,17,936
12	1	Three phase double cage IM with test rig 400V, 5HP	58,968	Kirloskar	58,968
Alternators					
13	1	Salient pole, driven by DC motor 400V, 5KVA	68,250	Kirloskar	68,250
14	1	Cylindrical rotor, driven by DC motor 400V, 5KVA	72,250	Kirloskar	72,250
15	1	Synchronous induction motor 400V, 5KVA	44,772	Kirloskar	44,772
Transformers					
16	4	Single phase 110/220V, 5KVA	95	Scientific	43,980
17	4	Single phase 110/220V, 2.5KV	5,930	Scientific	23,720
18	2	Three phase 400V, 5A	10,695	Scientific	21,390
19	2	Auto transformer (Single phase) 0-270V, 10A	3,020	Volt Amp	6,040
20	2	Auto transformer (Single phase) 0-270V, 10A	8,750	Volt Amp	17,500

20	2	Auto transformer (Three phase)	10A, (0-440)V	8,770	Volt Amp	17,540
21	2	Auto transformer (Three phase)	10A, (0-3000)V		Volt Amp	
22	2	Current transformer	110/5A	265	Volt Amp	530
23	2	Potential transformer	11KV/ 400V	22,500	Volt Amp	
24	2	3 Phase resistive load	10KW	22,750	Scientific	45,500
25	1	Three phase rectifiers with factor safety 2.5 to 3 and with distortion < 5%	150A, 220V	2,02,500	Kirloskar	2,02,500
26	5	Tachometer, Analog		8,750	FUJI	43,750
27	3	Tachometer, Digital		9,975	Lutron	29,925
Meters						
28	20	Voltmeter	0-500V AC	970	MECO	19,400
	15		0-300V AC/DC	970	MECO	14,550
	15		0-50V AC/DC	970	MECO	14,550
	5	Ammeters	0-50A AC/DC	1,049	MECO	5,245
	15		0-30A AC/DC	970	MECO	14,550
	10		0-10A AC	970	MECO	9,700
	10		0-10A DC	970	MECO	9,700
	10		0-2A DC	970	MECO	9,700
	10		0-2A AC	970	MECO	9,700
	10		0-500MA	1,060	MECO	10,600
Total						14,54,422

Further resolved that the expenditure in this connection be met from "2-94-2-Q-2-104.Purchase of computers and equipments".

7. In items outside the agenda after the resolution under Sl. No. 1 as a separate paragraph the following be added:

"Mr. K.A. Zakkariya expressed his dissent on the above decision and his dissenting note is appended herewith."

8. In items outside the agenda Sl. No. 3 the word "resolved" appearing in the last paragraph be replaced with "noted".
9. In items outside the agenda Sl. No. 4 the word "external" appearing in the opening paragraph and in the resolution be deleted.
10. In items outside the agenda the following be added as Serial No. 6

"It was pointed out to the syndicate that there seems to be some irregularity in the nomination of Dr. P.R. Wilson as the Director of School of Management Studies.

The Chairman agreed to get the legal opinion from the Standing Counsel in the matter."

Item No.472.02 Action taken report of the minutes of the meeting of the 462nd meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.6.2003.

The Syndicate noted the action taken report of the minutes of the 462nd meeting of the Syndicate held on 28.6.2003, and approved the same.

Arising out of the confirmation of the action taken report it was resolved that a sub committee of the Syndicate consisting of the following be constituted to monitor the funds of funding agencies like UGC, etc.

1. Dr. K.G. Balakrishnan, Convener.
2. Prof. B. Suseelan
3. Dr. K.T. Damodaran

Item Nos.472.03 to 472.07 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.08 Dr. P. Venkitanarayanan, Senior Lecturer, Department of Ship Technology – Relief from University service – Action taken by the Vice-Chancellor – Reporting of.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in relieving Dr. P. Venkitanarayanan, 39/4378, 'Sreenivas', Old Thevara Road, Kochi from his service as Senior Lecturer in the Department of Ship Technology w.e.f. 11.12.2000 A.N. cancelling the leave without allowances granted to him from 12.12.2000, considering his request.

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

(Ad.D)

Item Nos.472.09 to 472.13 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.14 Appointment of a single clearing agent for the University – Reporting to Syndicate – Regarding.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in appointing The National Trades and Agencies, NTA Chambers, HINA House, P.B. No. 649, Kochi-682 003 as University's customs clearing agent for a period of two years w.e.f. 13.8.2003 as per the terms and conditions stated in the Appendix.

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

(Pl.A)

Item Nos.472.15 to 472.18 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.19 Setting up of a phonetic laboratory at Department of Culture and Heritage.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning to direct a sum of Rs.15,00,000/- (Rupees fifteen lakhs only) from LSP (Plan) to the head of account "1-37-0-Q-2-104.Equipments", for setting up of a phonetic laboratory with a minimum of 10 student positions in the Department of Culture and Heritage.

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

(Finance)

Item No.472.20 was deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.21 National Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (NIALS) – Increase in annual intake – Sanctioned – Regarding.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning for increase of the intake of the 5 year Integrated BA, LL.B. (Hons.) course of the National Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (NIALS) from 50 to 55 students from the academic year 2003-04 onwards.

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

(Ac.C)

Item No.472.22 CUSAT – First Ordinance in respect of rules regarding the conduct of various University examinations amendment to Clauses relating to revaluation – Recommendation of the Academic Council approved by the Vice-Chancellor – Action of the Vice-Chancellor – Reporting to the Syndicate for ratification.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in exercise of Section 11(11) of the Cochin University of Science and Technology Act 1986, approving the minutes item No. 40 of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 17.9.2003 regarding certain amendments to clauses 10(2)(a), (b) and (c) of the Cochin University of Science and Technology First Ordinance 2001 on examination matters for implementation w.e.f. 17.9.2003.

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

(Exam.)

Item Nos.472.23 to 472.34 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.35 Deputation of Dr. S. Humayoon Kabir, Assistant Librarian as Project Officer in the Social Welfare Department, Government of Kerala – Action of the Vice-Chancellor – Reporting of.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in granting deputation to Dr. Humayoon Kabir S., Assistant Librarian, University Library to take up employment as Project Officer in the Kerala Women's Commission under the Social Welfare Department, Government of Kerala for a period of one year w.e.f. 27.11.2003 on usual terms and conditions of deputation.

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

(Ad.A)

Item Nos.472.36 to 472.38 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.39 Inter collegiate transfer of B.Tech. students of recognised colleges – Sanctioned – Ratification of action – Regarding.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning to the inter collegiate transfer of B.Tech. students as mentioned below:

Sl. No.	Name	Branch	From	To
1	Saikrishnan	Computer Science IV Sem.	CE, Adoor	MBC, Thrikkakara
2	Priya S. Prabhu	Information Technology III Sem.	CE, Thalassery	CE, Perumon
3	Binu Jacob	Information Technology III Sem.	CE, Thrikkaripur	CE, Perumon
4	Teresa Xavier	Computer Science III Sem.	CE, Thalassery	CE, Perumon
5	B. Parvathy	Computer Science IV Sem.	CE, Kallooppa	CUCEK, Pulinkunnu

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

(Ac.A)

Item Nos.472.40 to 472.43 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.44 Purchase of 2000 bags of cement to Engineering Department – Regarding.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning the purchase of 2000 bags of cement to the Engineering Department store from The Malabar Cements Ltd. and advancing an amount of Rs.3,40,000/- as requested by the University Engineer.

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

(Pl.A)

Item Nos.472.45 to 472.47 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.48 Establishment – Adoption of Government order for implementation in the University – Reporting of.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in adopting for implementation in the University the G.O. No. (P) 669/2003/Fin. dated 20.12.2003 relating to revision of Dearness Allowance/Dearness Relief to State Government employees/pensioners w.e.f. 1.7.2001 and 1.1.2002.

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

(Ad.A)

Item Nos.472.49 to 472.67 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.68 Early disbursement of salary to the employees in connection with Bakrid – Reporting to the Syndicate – Regarding.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning for advance disbursement of salary for January 2004 on 31.1.2004 to all employees of the University in connection with Bakrid considering the representations from service organisations.

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

(Ad.A)

Item Nos.472.69 was deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.70 Smt. Sheeba Singh G.J., Senior Grade Assistant on deputation – Further extension of deputation to KSBCDC, Thiruvananthapuram for a period of one year with effect from 06.02.2004 – Request – Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Staff and Establishment, the matter of granting extension of deputation to Smt. Sheeba Singh

G.J., Senior Grade Assistant to continue to work in the Kerala State Backward Classes Development Corporation Ltd., Thiruvananthapuram for a further period of one year w.e.f. 6.2.2004.

Resolved that Smt. Sheeba Singh G.J., Senior Grade Assistant be granted extension of deputation for a further period of one year w.e.f. 6.2.2004 to work in the Kerala State Backward Classes Development Corporation Ltd., Thiruvananthapuram.

(Ad.A)

Item No.472.71 Recognised institutions – NIALS – Extension of provisional recognition for the 2003-04 academic year – Inspection committee – Report – Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters, the matter of granting extension of provisional recognition to the National Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (NIALS) for the academic year 2003-04 in the light of report of the inspection committee constituted for to submit report on the evaluation of the facilities available in the institute.

Resolved that extension of provisional recognition be granted to the National Institute for Advanced Legal Studies (NIALS) for the academic year 2003-04.

(Ac.C)

Item Nos.472.72 to 472.74 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.75 Purchase of 2000 bags of cement to Engineering Department store – Reporting of.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning the purchase of 2000 bags of cement to the Engineering Department store from The Malabar Cements Ltd. and advancing an amount of Rs.3,50,000/- as requested by the University Engineer.

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

(Pl.A)

Item Nos.472.76 to 472.94 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.95 School of Engineering – Expenses relating to the demise of Sri Ankur Chowdhary – Sanctioned – Action taken by the Vice-Chancellor – Ratification of.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning to the Principal, School of Engineering and permitting to draw an advance of a sum of Rs.50,000/- to meet the expenditure incurred towards the hospital charges, flight charges and other related expenses for transporting the body of Sri Ankur Chowdhary, First year student of School of

Engineering, who expired on 22.3.2004 from Kochi to his native place at Rajasthan as a special case.

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

(Ac.A)

Item Nos.472.96 and 472.97 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.93 Construction of main block (Phase I) for CUCEK – Modified estimate – Regarding.

The Syndicate considered, along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees on Finance and Purchase, and Works, the request of University Engineer to accept the modified estimate amounting to Rs.4,12,00,000/- and to sanction to floating of tenders adopting pre-qualification system prevailing in the PWD for the work of construction of main block (Phase I) for Cochin University College of Engineering Kuttanad, Pulinkunnu along with the report from the Finance Officer relating to the financial position of Cochin University College of Engineering Kuttanad, Pulinkunnu.

Resolved that a Syndicate committee consisting of the following may visit the Cochin University College of Engineering Kuttanad, Pulinkunnu and make an on the spot study in the matter and submit a report:

Sri K. Mohammed Ali, MLA
Sri Ezhukone Narayanan, MLA
Dr. K.G. Balakrishnan
Dr. K.N. Chandrasekharan Pillai
Sri B. Suseelan
Sri Lopus Mathew
Dr. A. Aravindakshan

The Vice-Chancellor expressed his willingness to accompany the visiting committee to Kuttanad.

Further resolved that tender for the work be notified only after the consideration of the above committee report by the Syndicate.

(Pl.A)

Item Nos.472.99 to 472.108 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.109 Regulations/Amendment to Regulations of various courses – Approval of and fixing of date of effect – Regarding.

The Syndicate considered the matter of approving the regulations/amendment to regulations and course structure of various courses approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 17.9.2003 and the matter of fixing of dates of effect.

The item be referred to the Standing Committee on Academic Matters for detailed scrutiny and recommendations.

(Conf.)

Item No.472.110 Scheme and curriculum – Approval for and fixing of date of effect – Regarding.

The Syndicate considered the matter of approving the following items regarding scheme and curriculum of M.Sc. Environmental Technology course approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 28.11.2003 and the matter of fixing the date of effect of the same.

1. The scheme and curriculum of M.Sc. Environmental Technology for the year 2003 onwards.
2. To follow the curriculum of 2002 admissions for 2003 academic year admission also. The same syllabi are to be followed for future admissions also until further revisions are effected.
3. The course ENV 2108 chemometrics and good laboratory practices will be offered in the I semester as elective carrying 2 credits.
4. The course codes for stream 2 Environmental Biotechnology will be prefixed as ENB there by ratifying the Academic Bulletin and the existing course code ENV will stand for stream I Environmental Engineering.
5. To correct the following errors that have appeared in the Academic Bulletin 2003.
 - I. Sem. II (stream I) – ENV 2212 to be read as ENV 2209.
 - II. Sem.III (stream I) – ENV 2304 and ENV 2307 to be read as Electives.
6. To correct the following errors in the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 16.2.2002 with regards to curriculum 2002 admissions.
 - (i) To place the courses ENV 2105 Environmental Chemistry Lab and ENV 2106 Environmental Microbiology Lab under core course instead of as electives.

Item No. 4 – Ser No. 3c – instead of ENV 2315/2108 It should be ENV 2315/ENV 2208

To add as Ser. 3rd ENVA 2316/ENV 2209 – Flow Mechanics and Sedimentation.

Resolved that the above scheme and curriculum of M.Sc. Environmental Technology course approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 28.11.2003 be approved and dates of effect be given as mentioned as decided by the Academic Council.

(Conf.)

Item Nos.472.111 to 472.115 were deferred for consideration.

- Item No.472.116** Ph.D. thesis entitled "NIR Spectroscopic and Laser Induced Fluorescence Studies of Some Organic Molecules" submitted by Sri Sunny Kuriakose - Evaluation reports and minutes of viva voce examination - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, the individual reports of the Examiners, recommendations of the viva board, and the minutes of the viva-voce examination in respect of the Ph.D. thesis submitted by Sri Sunny Kuriakose, Part Time Research Student, Department of Physics, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 022 who worked under the guidance of Dr. T.M. Abdul Rasheed, Department of Physics, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 022.

Resolved that Sri Sunny Kuriakose be declared eligible for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy under the Faculty of Science for his thesis entitled "NIR Spectroscopic and Laser Induced Fluorescence Studies of Some Organic Molecules".

(Exam.A)

- Item No.472.117** Ph.D. thesis entitled "Investigations on Vibrational Overtones in the NIR Region and Laser Induced Fluorescence in some Selected Compounds" submitted by Sri Vijayan K.K. - Evaluation reports and minutes of viva voce examination - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, the individual reports of the Examiners, recommendations of the viva board, and the minutes of the viva-voce examination in respect of the Ph.D. thesis submitted by Sri Vijayan K.K., Part Time Research Student, Department of Physics, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 022 who worked under the guidance of Dr. T.M. Abdul Rasheed, Department of Physics, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 022.

Resolved that Sri Vijayan K.K. be declared eligible for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy under the Faculty of Science for his thesis entitled "Investigations on Vibrational Overtones in the NIR Region and Laser Induced Fluorescence in some Selected Compounds".

(Exam.A)

- Item No.472.118** Ph.D. thesis entitled "White Sport Syndrome Virus in Penaeids: Histopathology, Development of Polyclonal Antisera and a Cocktail Vaccine" submitted by Smt. Manjusha M. - Evaluation reports and minutes of viva voce examination - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, the individual reports of the Examiners, recommendations of the viva board, and the minutes of the viva-voce examination in respect of the Ph.D. thesis submitted by Smt. Manjusha M., Full Time Research Student, School of Environmental Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 016 who worked under the guidance of Dr. I.S. Bright Singh, School of Environmental Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 016.

Resolved that Smt. Manjusha M. be declared eligible for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy under the Faculty of Marine Sciences for her thesis entitled "White Sport

Syndrome Virus in Penaeids: Histopathology, Development of Polyclonal Antisera and a Cocktail Vaccine".

(Exam.A)

- Item No.472.119** Ph.D. thesis entitled "Studies on the Utilisations of Quarry Dust to Improve the Properties of Subgrade Soils" submitted by Smt. Soosan George T. - Evaluation reports and minutes of viva voce examination - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, the individual reports of the Examiners, recommendations of the viva board, and the minutes of the viva-voce examination in respect of the Ph.D. thesis submitted by Smt. Soosan George T., Part Time Research Student, School of Engineering, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 022 who worked under the guidance of Dr. Babu T. Jose.

Resolved that Smt. Soosan George T. be declared eligible for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy under the Faculty of Engineering for her thesis entitled "Studies on the Utilisations of Quarry Dust to Improve the Properties of Subgrade Soils".

(Exam.A)

Item No.472.120 was deferred for consideration.

- Item No.472.121** AICTE scheme - Career advancement promotion - Lecturer to Reader - Sri Sivaprasad K., Senior Lecturer, Department of Ship Technology - Reporting of.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning promotion of Sri Sivaprasad K., Senior Lecturer, Department of Ship Technology as Reader w.e.f. 1.1.2001 under the career advancement of AICTE scheme subject to the condition that the teacher should obtain Ph.D. degree within a period of 7 years from the date of promotion.

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

(Ad.D)

Item Nos.472.122 to 472.134 were deferred for consideration.

- Item No.472.135** Investment of University funds - Action of the Vice-Chancellor - Ratification - Regarding.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning for the following investments at State Bank of Travancore/State Bank of India.

SL No.	A/c. Name	Principal Amount (Rs.)	Period of investment	Interest	Maturity value (Rs.)	Nature of deposit
1.	CELOS	42,18,840	27.1.2004 to 29.4.2004 (92 days)	5%	--	Term Deposit
2.	PF A/c.	1,25,00,000	29.10.2003 to 29.10.2013 (10 years)	6%	2,26,75,230	Spl. Term Deposit
3.	PF A/c.	13,44,889	31.12.2003 to 31.12.2013 (10 years)	5.75%	23,80,279	"
4.	"	1,00,00,000	16.3.2004 to 16.3.2014 (10 years)	5.75%	1,76,98,705	"
5.	"	2,00,00,000	31.3.2004 to 31.3.2014 (10 years)	5.75%	3,53,97,410	"
6.	"	5,13,80,000	"	"	9,09,35,946	"
7.	CES	1,00,00,000	"	"	1,76,98,705	"
8.	"	1,50,00,000	27.3.2003 to 27.3.2006 (3 years)	6.25%	1,80,67,242	"
9.	"	"	2.4.2003 to 2.4.2006 (3 years)	6.5%	1,82,01,114	"

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

(Cash)

Item Nos.472.136 to 472.140 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.141 Ph.D. thesis entitled "Photothermal Investigations on Plasma Polymerised Thin Films and Laser Induced Fluorescence Studies on Iodine Molecule" submitted by Smt. Syamalakumari B. - Evaluation reports and minutes of viva voce examination - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, the individual reports of the Examiners, recommendations of the viva board, and the minutes of the viva-voce examination in respect of the Ph.D. thesis submitted by Smt. Syamalakumari B., Full Time Research Student, Department of Physics, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 022 who worked under the guidance of Dr. K.P. Rajappan Nair.

Resolved that Smt. Syamalakumari B. be declared eligible for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy under the Faculty of Science for her thesis entitled "Photothermal Investigations on Plasma Polymerised Thin Films and Laser Induced Fluorescence Studies on Iodine Molecule".

(Exam.A)

Item No.472.142 Investment of PF funds in higher interest yielding schemes - Ratification of action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in sanctioning for diverting an amount of Rs.10 crores from State Bank of Travancore and to invest in the RBI bond scheme so as to fetch higher interest for the PF funds of University employees.

Resolved that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor be ratified subject to the condition that the above investment be routed only through the State Bank of Travancore.

(Cash)

Item No.472.143 Extension to Hindi Department (I & II floors) over DRS block in the Thrikkakara campus.

The Syndicate considered the proposal of the University Engineer to entrust the work of construction of the extension to Hindi Department (I and II floors) over DRS block, in the Thrikkakara campus to Sri K. Nooh, Chithirathoppil House, Marampilly P.O., Aluva, at 27% above the estimate rate, the agreed PAC of the work (including tender excess) being Rs.4,91,262/-.

Resolved that the work of construction of the extension to Hindi Department (I and II floors) over DRS block, in the Thrikkakara campus be awarded to Sri K. Nooh, Chithirathoppil House, Marampilly P.O., Aluva, at 27% above the estimate rate, the agreed PAC of the work (including tender excess) being Rs.4,91,262/-.

Further resolved that the expenditure in this connection be met from the head of account "1-97-0-T-1-004. Department of Hindi-Modification works".

(Pl.A)

Item Nos.472.144 and 472.145 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.146 Ph.D. thesis entitled "Impact of Trawling on Sea Bottom and its Living Communities Along the Inshore Waters of Southwest Coast of India" submitted by Sri Joice V. Thomas - Evaluation reports and minutes of viva voce examination - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, the individual reports of the Examiners, recommendations of the viva board, and the minutes of the viva-voce examination in respect of the Ph.D. thesis submitted by Sri Joice V. Thomas, Full Time Research Student, School of Industrial Fisheries, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 016 who worked under the guidance of Dr. B. Madhusoodana Kurup, School of Industrial Fisheries, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 016.

Resolved that Sri Joice V. Thomas be declared eligible for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy under the Faculty of Marine Sciences for his thesis entitled "Impact of Trawling on Sea Bottom and its Living Communities Along the Inshore Waters of Southwest Coast of India".

(Exam.A)

Item No.472.147 Ph.D. thesis entitled "Chemical and Biochemical Studies on Natural Antioxidants from Seasmum Species" submitted by Smt. Suja K.P. – Evaluation reports and minutes of viva voce examination – Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, the individual reports of the Examiners, recommendations of the viva board, and the minutes of the viva-voce examination in respect of the Ph.D. thesis submitted by Smt. Suja K.P., Full Time Research Student, Regional Research Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram who worked under the guidance of Dr. C. Arumughan, Regional Research Laboratory, Thiruvananthapuram.

Resolved that Smt. Suja K.P. be declared eligible for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy under the Faculty of Science for her thesis entitled "Chemical and Biochemical Studies on Natural Antioxidants from Seasmum Species".

(Exam.A)

Item No.472.148 Ph.D. thesis entitled "Women Industrial Co-operatives-An Analysis of its Structure, Performance and Growth in Kannur District" submitted by Smt. Padmini C. – Evaluation reports and minutes of viva voce examination – Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered, the individual reports of the Examiners, recommendations of the viva board, and the minutes of the viva-voce examination in respect of the Ph.D. thesis submitted by Smt. Padmini C., Part Time Research Student, Department of Applied Economics, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 022 who worked under the guidance of Dr. M.K. Sukumaran Nair, Department of Applied Economics, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi - 682 022.

Resolved that Smt. Padmini C. be declared eligible for the award of the degree of the Doctor of Philosophy under the Faculty of Social Sciences for her thesis entitled "Women Industrial Co-operatives-An Analysis of its Structure, Performance and Growth in Kannur District".

(Exam.A)

Item Nos.472.149 to 472.151 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.152 KVM College of Engineering and Information Technology – MCA degree course – Provisional recognition by CUSAT – Application submitted – Regarding.

The Syndicate considered the request of the Secretary, KVM Trust, Cherthala seeking recognition for the KVM College of Engineering and Information Technology, Cherthala which proposes to offer an MCA programme.

Resolved that the applications for recognition from institutions be considered based on the merit of the individual institutions, and that the Vice-Chancellor be authorised to constitute a

committee to visit the KVM College, Cherthala to assess the merit of the institution, and to report to the Syndicate.

(Ac.C)

Item Nos.472.153 to 472.158 were deferred for consideration.

Item No.472.159 Minutes of the meeting of the sub committee of the Syndicate which was authorised to negotiate with the vendors who had quoted for the supply of networking components under the MHO-INFOCUS project.

The Syndicate considered the request of the Co-ordinator, INFOCUS project for the purchase of networking components for upgradation of campus wide network in the light of the recommendations made by the sub committee authorised by the Syndicate as per decision vide minutes item No. 471.76 to negotiate with the vendors who had quoted for the supply of networking components.

Resolved that –

1. The minutes of the meeting of the subcommittee of the Syndicate authorised to negotiate with the vendors who had quoted for the supply of networking components under the MHO-INFOCUS project held on 15.5.2004 (as in appendix) be approved.

2. M/s. CMC Limited be selected for supply and installation of the networking components at a total consolidated price of Rs.31,98,635/- (Rupees Thirtyone lakhs ninetyeight thousand six hundred and thirty five only).

3. The Director, CEMCOP be permitted to initiate purchase action immediately without waiting for confirmation of the Syndicate minutes, so as to ensure that the MHO fund is utilised before the stipulated dead line.

(MHO)

Items outside the agenda:

1. A request from the Director, Institute for Human Resource Development, Thiruvananthapuram seeking recognition for 4 engineering colleges proposed to be started by IHRD during the academic year 2004-05 at Kallappara, Cherthala, Attingal and Kottarakka was considered by the Syndicate.

It was resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be authorised to constitute inspection committees to visit the above colleges and submit its report regarding the facilities available in these colleges.

After the regular business was over, the Chairman informed the House that, Dr. K.C. Joseph, MLA will cease to be a member of the Syndicate w.e.f. 16.6.2004 and hence this is his last meeting. It is therefore proposed to give a formal send off to him as well as to Dr. Babu T. Jose, Dr. A. Mohandas and Dr. C.P. Girijavallabhan, whose term in the Syndicate were over recently. It was also proposed to give a formal send off to Dr. K.V. Kunhikrishnan, former

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Registrar, who retired on 30.4.2004 from University service. Accordingly, all of them were formally invited, and welcomed by the Syndicate to the meeting.

The Syndicate placed on record its appreciation to Dr. K.C. Joseph MLA, Dr. Babu T. Jose, Dr. A. Mohandas and Dr. C.P. Girijavallabhan for their services as members of the Syndicate during their tenure, and to Dr. K.V. Kunhikrishnan, who held the office of the Registrar for about 4 years.

Dr. K.C. Joseph, MLA and Dr. K.V. Kunhikrishnan expressed their gratitude to the Syndicate.

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



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DISSENT NOTE SUBMITTED BY SRI ZAKKARIYA K.A., MEMBER, SYNDICATE

Sri Zakkariya K.A. expresses dissent on the decision of the Syndicate held on 30.4.2004 to ratify the Vice-Chancellor's decision to give full additional charge of the Registrar to Dr. A. Aravindakshan, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and member of the Syndicate with effect from 30.04.2004 A.N. on the following grounds:

Vice-Chancellor made the appointment by using the powers conferred on him under Section 11(11) of CUSAT Act 1986. This section of CUSAT Act permits the Vice-Chancellor to exercise any power vested in the Syndicate only when such an emergency situation occurs and Syndicate is not supposed to be in session.

In the present case provisions of emergency does not exists as the post of Registrar is not vacant till 30.4.2004 A.N. and Syndicate is in session on 30.4.2004 F.N.