#### COCHIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



### MINUTES OF THE 537th MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 30.12.2008 AT 10.30 A.M IN THE SYNDICATE HALL OF THE UNIVERSITY.

#### Members present:

- 1. Dr. Gangan Prathap, Vice-Chancellor
- (in the Chair)
- 2. Prof. V.P.N. Nampoori
- 3. Dr. K.N. Chandrasekharan Pillai
- 4. Prof. P.O.J. Lebba
- 5. Dr.I.S.Bright Singh
- 6. Adv. K. Mohanachandran
- 7. Sri. N.K. Vasudevan
- 8. Sri. B. Chakrapani
- 9. Dr. S. Salim
- 10. Dr. Joy Job Kulavelil
- 11. Shri. V. Prasenan, Addl. Secretary (Finance)
- 12. Shri. K.A. Antony, Joint Secretary (Hr. Edn.)

#### Also present:

Dr.N.Chandramohanakumar Registrar

#### Special Items reported by the Vice-Chancellor:

- 1. The Syndicate recorded its appreciation and congratulations to Dr. K. Mohankumar, Professor, Department of Atmospheric Sciences, CUSAT for the Award 'Atmospheric Science Librarians International (ALSI) Award 2008' for his book 'Stratosphere Troposphere interactions and Introduction'
- 2. The Vice Chancellor informed the Syndicate that the Government of Kerala has approved the proposal for construction of the following under the one time Additional Central Assistance of 2 crores for the Cochin University of Science and Technology
- a). Student Amenity Centre consisting of Canteen, Health Centre, Youth Centre and Gymnasium, University Union Meeting Hall, Women's Room, Faculty Club, Bank and Post Office.

b). Public Information Centre

Total

- c). Multidisciplinary Centre for Nanomaterials and devices.
- 3. The Vice Chancellor brought to the notice of the Syndicate that on the basis of the direction of the Government of Kerala, CUSAT has submitted proposals to the tune of Rs.121 crores to the XIII Finance Commission Awards. The proposals are:

#### A. Maintenance and Strengthening of Infrastructure

	<u>Item</u>	Amount in Crore	s (Rs)
1.	Removal of Obsolescence and Modernisation of Labs	:	20.00
2.	Automation of Administrative and Examination Comple	x :	15.00
3.	Seminar complex and Amenities	:	15.00
4.	Networking and Modernisation of Class rooms	:	5.00
5.	Hostel Renovation	:	3.00
6.	Enhancement of capabilities of C-SiS	:	5.00
	B. New Ventures to enhance the activities of CUSAT		
1.	Infra structure for Centre for Nano Materials and		
	Devices – Building and furnishing	:	9.00
2.	Centre for Alternate Energy Sources	:	5.00
3.	Solar Power Generators for all the Buildings in CUSAT	:	10.00
4.	Establishing Centre for Simulation Modelling and Desig	n	
	by acquiring a high performance Computing facility	:	5. <b>0</b> 0
5.	Centre for Environmental Fingerprinting	:	9.00
6.	Infrastructure for IPR Chair	:	5.00
7.	University Industry Incubation Centre	:	10.00
8.	Centre for Heritage Studies	:	5.00

#### (Rs. One Hundred and Twenty One Crores only)

:Rs. 121.00 Crores

- 4. As a continuation of the discussions with the Hon'ble Minister for Industries, Govt of Kerala during the free software seminar, a team comprising Prof Joy Job Kulavelil, Sri.N.K.Vasudevan, Dr.M.Bhasi, Dr.C.S.Paulose and the Registrar had a meeting with the Minister at the Aluva Guest House on 23-12-2008. From the University side a proposal consisting of biotechnology Parks at Munnar and Wyanadu and an University Industry Incubation Centre in free software and Biotechnology has been submitted to the Minister. The Minister has agreed to support the proposal and has agreed to release a seed money to this.
- 5. Though the Budget Speech of 2007-08 contained a proposal for the starting of a Centre to study on the alternate Energy possibilities but no serious effort was done so far in this regard. A core group of experts in this field has met on 26-12-2008 at the School of Marine Sciences of CUSAT to identify the possible programmes in this. It is

proposed to invite project proposals from those who are interested in this field and to conduct a one day workshop during February to vet the proposals. The Workshop will consolidate the proposals and will submit them to the different funding agencies under a common umbrella of the Centre for Alternate Energy Sources.

6. The Sub committee of the Syndicate to study the report of Justice Khalid Commission has submitted their Recommendations. The Committee recommends major punishment to Dr. S.Babu Sundar, Professor (under suspension), Former Controller of Examinations of the University and have suggested removal from the University as the punishment (Appendix I)

The Syndicate resolved to accept the recommendations of the Committee and to serve a show cause notice to Dr. S. Babu Sundar, Professor (under suspension) and Former Controller of Examinations seeking his explanation on the proposed punishment.

- 7. Dr.Philip Kurian, Reader, Department of Polymer Science and Rubber Technology, CUSAT have been nominated as the Controller of Examinations and Dr. Philip Kurien took charge on 10.12.2008.
- 8. The Vice Chancellor brought to the notice of the Syndicate that there is a proposal from different quarters that CUSAT shall make a claim for conducting the 2010 or 2011 Indian Science Congress.

The Syndicate resolved to consider the proposal and make a consultation with the Government of Kerala to decide on this matter.

9. The Vice-Chancellor placed the recommendations of the Selection Committee held on 29.12.2008 for the appointment to the post of Category 'C' Lecturer in the School of Legal Studies.

The Syndicate considered the recommendations of the Selection Committee and resolved to approve the rank list prepared by the Selection Committee containing the following names:

1. Ms. Vani Kesari A I Rank 2. Dr. Sonia K. Das II Rank 3. Ms. Mini S III Rank

The Syndicate further resolved to appoint Ms. Vani Kesari A. (Rank No.I) as Category 'C' Lecturer in the scale of pay of Rs. 8000-13500 in the School of Legal Studies, CUSAT.

10. The Vice Chancellor informed that, considering the expansion requirements of the C-SiS, a special meeting with the members of the Syndicate and Heads of various Departments was convened on 05.12.2008 and minutes of the meeting has been submitted to the Vice Chancellor for further action.

The Syndicate resolved to consider this along with the report of the Sub Committee of the Syndicate which has been constituted to evaluate the functions of the Centres.

- 11. The Syndicate considered the request of the Students to withdraw the fees charged for the internal evaluation of lab courses. The Syndicate resolved to withdraw the lab, exam fee in cases where External Lab Exams are not part of the scheme. It is also resolved to extend the date of payment fees upto 15.1.2009.
- 12. The report of the Sub Committee of the Syndicate which was formed to review the CAT process submitted its report to the Syndicate.

The Syndicate resolved to accept the report and decided to implement the recommendations in 2009 CAT admissions itself subject to legal scrutiny of the reservation scheme. It is decided to omit the Centre at Dubai. (Appendix II)

It is also resolved to enhance the tuition fee from Rs.18000/- to Rs.20000/- in free seats and from Rs.36000/- to Rs.40000/- for payment seats.

Further resolved to enhance admission fee for N.R.I seats from \$ 3000/- to \$ 5000/-.

## Item No.537.01 Confirmation of the minutes of the 536<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2008.

The Syndicate considered the draft minutes of 536<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Syndicate held on 21.11.2008 and approved the same with the following emendations:-

In the Special Items reported by the Vice Chancellor in Item No. 8, the resolution of the Syndicate is modified as given below:

The Syndicate resolved to institute both the directorates and to appoint Dr.C.S. Paulose, Professor, Department of Biotechnology, CUSAT as Honorary Director of the Directorate for Sponsored Research and Industrial Consultancy and Dr. M.Bhasi, Professor, School of Management Studies, CUSAT as Honorary Director of the Directorate for Management of Resources and Budget as additional charge.

In the Special Items reported by the Vice Chancellor in Item No. 13 in the second paragraph as last sentence 'against the vacant post of Director, Physical Education Department' be added.

In Item No. 536.09 in the first line of the resolution 'request the Government to' be added between 'to' and 'make'.

In the Minutes of the Meeting of the 537<sup>th</sup> Syndicate the following be added as Item outside the Agenda.

'The Syndicate considered the poor progress of the works taken up by the C.P.W.D at the Trikkakkara Campus and the Cochin University College of Engineering, Kuttanad along with the demand of the C.P.W.D for sanction and disbursement of funds.

The Syndicate resolved to nominate a Committee consisting with the following members to look into the issue.

Dr. Joy Job Kulavelil

Shri. N.K. Vasudevan

Prof. P.O.J. Lebba

- (Convener)

Adv. K.Mohanachandran

Shri. K.A. Antony, Joint Secretary, Higher Education Department.

# Item No.537.02 Dr. P. Krishnankutty, Professor (Voluntarily Retired), Department of Ship Technology, request for waiving of liabilities – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment the request for waiving of liabilities in respect of Dr.P.Krishnankutty, Professor (Voluntarily Retired), Department of Ship Technology.

The Syndicate resolved to explore the possibility of transferring the bond liability of Dr. P. Krishnankutty, Professor (Voluntarily Retired, Department of Ship Technology) from CUSAT to IIT, Chennai and relieve him from the liabilities of the bonds.

Ad.D

## Item No.537.03 Agitation of staff on 11.04.2008 – Disrupting the proceedings of the Syndicate – Disciplinary action – called for – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment the matter of agitation of staff disrupting the proceedings of the Syndicate meeting held on 11.4.2008.

The Syndicate resolved to take a lenient view and decided to drop the matter. Ad.A

Item No.537.04 Recognised Institutions – Academic Year 2009-10 – Approval for new colleges, courses/increase in intake of existing courses – Norms – Fixing of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the draft rules for approval for new

colleges, courses and increase in intake of existing courses in the Academic year 2009-10 in the Recognized Institutions under the University.

The Syndicate resolved to accept the Draft Rules.

The Syndicate further resolved that all the Fees be enhanced as given below:

Annual Recognition fee

Rs.10,00,000/-

Inspection Fee

Rs.10000/-

New Course Fee

Rs.15000/-

Ac.C

Item No.537.05

Relaxation in "Good Academic Record' upto the Graduation level for SC/ST candidates for appointment as Lectures & Display of Roster on website – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, Academic Matters and Staff and Establishment, the matter of relaxation in "Good Academic Record" upto the Graduation level for SC/ST candidates for appointment as Lecturers and Display of Roster on website.

The Syndicate resolved to defer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters to study the item in detail.

Ad.D

Item No.537.06 Fees -Students applying through ICCR - Revision - Consideration of -Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchases and Academic Matters, the matter of revision of fees payable by the ICCR Scholars and specific proposal regarding the course fees to be fixed for ICCR Scholars submitted from the IRAA wing.

The Syndicate resolved to accept the revision of fee payable by the ICCR Scholars and specific proposal regarding the course fees to be fixed for ICCR Scholars submitted from the IRAA Wing.

Ac.A

## Item No.537.07 Application for recognition as Research Guide in respect of Dr.K.V. Jayalakshmy, Scientist F, NIO, Kochi – 18 – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the application forwarded by the Scientist in charge, National Institute of Oceanography, Kochi for recognition as Research Guide in respect of Dr. K.V. Jayalakshmy, Scientist F, National Institute of Oceanography, Kochi under the Faculty of Marine Sciences.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the request of the Dr. K.V.Jayalakshmy, Scientist F, National Institute of Oceanography, Kochi under the Faculty of Marine Sciences for recognition as Research Guide.

Ac.B

## Item No.537.08 Recognition of Dr. Jagathy Raj V.P. as Research Guide in the Faculty of Technology.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the application of Dr. Jagathy Raj V.P, Reader, School of Management Studies for recognition as Research Guide in the Faculty of Technology.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the request of Dr.Jagathy Raj V P, Reader, School of Management Studies for recognition as Research Guide in the Faculty of Technology.

Ac.B

## Reconstitution of the Board of Studies in Medical Science and Technology – Consideration of –Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the Panel of Experts forwarded by the Medical Director, Co-operative Medical College, Kochi for reconstitution of Board of Studies in Medical Science.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the Panel of Experts with modification (Appendix III)

Conf.

Item No.537.10 Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.03.2008 - Resolutions made - Consideration and approval by the Syndicate - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.03.2008 and the resolutions made.

The Syndicate considered the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters and resolved to accept the following:

- 1. 100% internal evaluation for all M.Phil Degree courses including setting up of question papers. The M.Phil thesis be evaluated by an External Expert and Internal Expert.
- 2. Introduction of the course and teacher evaluation.
- 3. For conducting Communicative English as compulsory course for UG Programmes and an audit course for other Programmes 2010 onwards.
- 4. Preparation of a Master Time Table in each campus. Taking up to 25% Elective courses from outside Departments.

The Syndicate further resolved to constitute a Committee consisting of Sri Baby Chakrapani, Dr.V.P.N. Nampoori and Dr. I.S. Bright Singh to prepare students evaluation format.

Conf.

Item No.537.11 Centre of Excellence in Lasers & Optoelectronics Sciences (CELOS) – Purchase of Optical Components and spares for Subpico second laser systems – Advance requested – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchases and Academic Matters, the advance amount requested by the Director, CELOS for Rs. 11,00,000/- for the purchase of Optical Components and spares for Subpico second laser system as the System got damaged during the fire in the Lab have to be replaced.

The Syndicate considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters and resolved to accept the recommendation that the expenditure on this account may be met from 1.24.0.Q.2.104 Purchase of Computers/Equipments in the CELOS fund.

PL.UGC

### Item No.537.12 B.Tech Marine Engineering Course – Course-in-charge – Term of appointment – Consideration of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, Staff and Establishment and Academic Matters, the matter of further extension of term of appointment of Sri. N. Gangadharan Nair, the Course in Charge of Marine Engineering Degree Course, for a further period of 3 years with effect from 24.12.2008 with increment in pay every year.

The Syndicate resolved to accept the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchases regarding the further extension w.e.f. 24.12.2008 with increment in pay every year, an extension of term of appointment for one year with the present salary is recommended.

Further, it is also resolved to submit before the next Standing Committee a detailed report of the receipts, and expenditure including the salary structure of all Faculty Members, Non-teaching staff, Director and other staff on contract basis, showing the initial rate of consolidated pay and subsequent enhancements made and the date of such enhancement.

Ac.A

Item No.537.13 Sri. K.P.Venu – Mechanic – School of Ocean Science & Technology – Rectification of anomaly in the Scale of Pay resolution of the Syndicate – Correction – Reg.

The Syndicate considered the action taken by the Vice Chancellor in the matter of rectification of anomaly in the scale of pay.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the action taken by the Vice Chancellor.

Ad.A

Item No.537.14 European Commission Project FP.7-IRSES - Partnership for Sustainable Shrimp Aquaculture - Signing of Consortium Agreement - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, that in continuation of the European Commission Project on Aquagris sanctioned under FP.6 and implemented at Cochin University of Science and Technology, the Vice Chancellor had permitted the signing of the Consortium Agreement subject to reporting to Syndicate. As per the orders, the Consortium Agreement was signed by the Registrar and the relevant copies of agreement

page pertaining to Cochin University of Science and Technology handed over to the Principal Investigator for onward transmission to the European Commission.

The Syndicate resolved to take legal opinion on this matter.

**IRAA** 

### Item No.537.15 Widening and re-tarring of University Main Road from AD block junction to south end near Guest House – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase and Works the matter of an estimate for Widening and re-tarring of University Main road from AD block Junction to south end near Guest House and approach road to Applied Economics Department.

**UEU** 

## Item No.537.16 Additional facilities at 8 mts. Level area of Ship-in-Campus – Approval of the course can be affected – Director's request for Speedy execution etc. – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchases and Works the request of the Director, School of Marine Engineering to urgently execute certain civil and mechanical works by October 2008 for additional facilities at 8 mtr level area of Ship-in-Campus Building for Marine Engineering Department so that the approval for course is guaranteed.

The Syndicate resolved to accept the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchases and resolved that the University Engineer is authorised to enquire into the report particularly on the issue that why the Director General Shipping is not issuing comprehensive and clear cut guidelines at one stretch and report to the Committee at the next meeting. The report is appended.

The Syndicate also resolved to call for the details of source of fund from Finance Section.

**UEU** 

### Item No.537.17 Providing chipping carpet to the road leads to VC's quarters from Main Entrance of Administrative Building – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchases and Works the matter of an estimate for the work 'Providing chipping carpet to the road that lead to the Vice-Chancellor's quarters' from the main entrance of the Administrative building.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the estimate for the work 'Providing chipping carpet to the road that leads to the Vice Chancellor's quarters' from the main entrance of the Administrative Building.

**UEU** 

#### Item No.537.18 Construction of Administrative Block – Second Floor – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase and Works the matter of the construction of the second floor east wing of the Administrative Block building is now incomplete in construction.

The Syndicate considered the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Works and resolved that the first and second stage together with cost of Rs.126lakh (1<sup>st</sup> Phase 60 plus second phase 66 lakhs) subject to availability of funds and the work shall be completed within three months for each phase, totaling to six months.

**UEU** 

### Item No.537.19 Sponsored Research Projects – Admissibility of room rent – Taxi fare – Air Fare – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, Academic and Staff and Establishment the issues regarding TA/DA claim have been raised by Audit Section while processing the bill submitted by Project Investigators of the externally funded schemes/projects and the recommendations of the Finance Officer on the admissibility of room rent, taxi fare and air fare, with a request to place the same before the Syndicate by Planning Division for consideration in this matter.

The Syndicate resolved to refer the matter to the Directorate of Sponsored Research and Industrial Consultancy to submit a report in consultation with the Finance Officer and place it before the next meeting of Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance Matters.

PL.B

Item No.537.20 International Seminar on Democratic and Secular Education at Thiruvananthapuram during 4-6 December, 2008 - Financial Assistance from the University - Sanctioned by the Vice Chancellor - Reporting of - Reg.

The Syndicate considered the matter of International Seminar on "Democratic and Secular Education" at Kerala University Campus, Kariavattom during 4-6 December 2008 organized by the Higher Education Department, Govt. of Kerala and the

Government of Kerala have also given direction to the University to contribute a sum of Rs.5 laks for the organization of the programme. The Vice Chancellor has sanctioned an amount of Rs. 5 lakhs (Rupees five lakhs only) to the Registrar, University of Kerala subject to reporting to Syndicate.

The Syndicate resolved to ratify the action taken by the Vice Chancellor.

#### Item No.537.21 Dr. A. Vamana Shenoy, Honorary Medical Officer (Part-Time) Reckoning of service for pension – Consideration of – reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchases and Staff and Establishment, the request of Dr. A. Vamana Shenoy, Honorry Medical Officer (Part time) for reckoning of service for pension on the basis of the direction of the Hon'ble High Court in the judgment directed the competent authority of the University to take up Ext P5 and pass orders thereon expeditiously as possible and at any rate within 6 weeks from the date of production of copy of the judgment.

The Syndicate resolved to give a personal hearing to Dr. Vamana Shenoy before the Staff and Establishment Committee before the next hearing of the Hon'ble High Court and place the report in the next Syndicate meeting.

Ad.A

#### Item No.537.22 Smt. K. Girija, Lecturer, School of Management Studies – Resignation from University service – Reporting of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered the resignation of Smt. K. Girija, Lecturer, School of Management Studies from University service vide letter dated 02.08.2008 and the Vice Chancellor accepted her resignation from the post of Lecturer, School of Management Studies.

The Syndicate resolved to ratify the action taken by the Vice Chancellor.

Ad.D

### Item No.537.23 Recognition of Dr. K.K. Vijayan as Research Guide in the Faculty of Marine Sciences.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the application for recognizing Dr. K.K. Vijayan, Senior Scientist and Head, Marine Biotechnology Division of CMFRI as Research Guide in the Faculty of Marine Sciences.

Syndicate resolved to approve the request of Dr. K.K. Vijayan, Senior Scientist and Head, Marine Biotechnology Division of C.M.F.R.I as Research Guide in the Faculty of Marine Sciences.

Ac.B

## Item No.537.24 MCA Degree Course - Amendment to the scheme of Lab Examination and Viva-voce - Consideration and Approval of - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters the amendment to the scheme of Lab Examination and Viva-voce of M.C.A. degree course made by the Academic Council held on 28.8.2008 vide Item No. I(b).

The Syndicate resolved to approve the amendment to the scheme of Lab Examination and Viva-Voce of M.C.A Degree course made by the Academic Council held on 28.8.2008 vide Item No. I(b).

Conf.

### Item No.537.25 Request of Dr. Junaid Bushiri M for recognition as Research Guide - Consideration of - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the application of Dr. Junaid Bushiri M, Reader, Department of Physics for recognition as Research Guide under the Faculty of Science.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the request of Dr Junaid Bushiri. M, Reader, Department of Physics for recognition as Research Guide under the Faculty of Science.

Ac.B

# Item No.537.26 Universities in Kerala – Mutual Recognition of Degrees – Advisory from the Kerala State Higher Education Council – Resolution adopted by Academic Council held on 26.03.2008 – Approval by Syndicate – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the matter of Mutual Recognition of Degrees in the Universities in Kerala, the Kerala State Higher Education Council has accordingly requested to take further follow up action in this regard. Pursuant to the request, the matter was placed before the Academic Council. The matter was placed before the Academic Council held on 26.03.2008 which resolved that the "Resolution of the Kerala State Higher Education Council be adopted for implementation in the University and the Vice Chancellor be authorised to set up Statutory Equivalence Committee and to frame suitable guidelines for the receipt and disposal of applications for the scrutiny recommendation of the Equivalence certificate within a specified time frame".

The Syndicate resolved that the Vice Chancellor may be authorised to constitute Statutory Equivalence Committees and to frame detailed procedures for according equivalency of courses within a time frame.

Ac.C

#### Item No.537.27 Application of Dr. D. Mavoothu for recognition as Research Guide

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the application of Dr. D. Mavoothu, Senior Lecturer, School of Management Studies for recognition as Research Guide under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

The Syndicate approved the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters and resolved to approve the request of Dr. D. Mavoothu, Senior Lecturer, School of Management Studies for recognition as Research Guide under the Faculty of Social Sciences.

Ac.B

## Item No.537.28 Recognized Institutions - Co-operative Medical College, Kochi - Request for Permanent Recognition - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters the request to grant permanent recognition to the Co-operative Medical College, Kochi from the next Academic Year onwards based on the points/problems mentioned therein.

The Syndicate considered the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters and resolved to continue the existing pattern.

Ac.C

Item No.537.29 Recognized Institutions – Model Engineering College, Thrikkakara – Starting of new course –M.Tech (VLSI & Embedded System) and increasing the intake of two B.Tech courses – Action taken by the Vice Chancellor – Ratification of Inspection Report for the Academic Year 2008-09 – Consideration of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered the action taken by the Vice Chancellor on the Inspection Committee report for the extension of Provisional Recognition for the Academic year 2008-09 in respect of Model Engineering College, Thrikkakara for starting of new course (M.Tech. in VLSI Design & Embedded Systems) and increasing the intake of two B.Tech courses.

The Syndicate approved the action taken by the Vice Chancellor.

The Syndicate also resolved to accept the report of the high level Inspection Committee constituted by the Vice Chancellor for the extension of Provisional Recognition to Model Engineering College, Thrikkakara for the Academic Year 2008-09. Ac.C

### Item No.537.30 B.Tech Courses – Students admitted under staff quota – 50% Fee Concession – Reconsideration of earlier decision – Reg.

The Syndicate considered the matter for reconsideration of the earlier Syndicate decision, that the student data of the current batches be collected along with the name, designation and income of their parents, to consider the matter of granting 50% fee concession to the students admitted under the 'Staff quota'.

The Syndicate resolved to continue the existing practice.

### Item No.537.31 Application of Dr. Kajal Chakraborty for recognition as Research Guide – Reg.

The Syndicate considered the application forwarded by the Director, Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) for recognition as Research Guide in respect Dr. Kajal Chakraborty, Scientist, CMFRI under the Faculty of Marine Sciences.

The Syndicate approved the request of Dr. Kajal Chakraborty, Scientist, C.M.F.R.I for recognition as Research Guide under the Faculty of Marine Sciences, Cochin University of Science and Technology.

Ac.B

#### Items outside the Agenda

1. It is brought to the notice that there is an inordinate delay as well as wrong interpretation of rules in fixing the pension of the retired staff including teachers.

The Syndicate resolved to form a Committee consisting Dr. K.N.Chandrasekharan Pillai, Member, Syndicate, Advocate K. Mohanachandran, Member, Syndicate and Registrar as members to look into the issues.

- 2. The Syndicate observed that the University has no mechanism to assess the quality of Publications and Research and resolved to constitute a Committee consisting of Prof. Bright Singh, Prof. V.P.N. Nampoori and Prof. D. Rajasenan as members to suggest measures to ensure quality of research.
- 3. The Syndicate reviewed the construction of the building at Pulinkunnu Campus and the road widening works at Thrikkakara and decide to conduct a detailed study of the additional requirements.

REGISTRAR



# RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SUB COMMITTER OF THE SYNDICATE CONSTITUTED TO STUDY JUSTICE KHALID COMMISSION REPORT

The Committee examined in detail the explanations furnished by Dr.S. Babusunder on the findings of Sri Khalid, Retd. District Judge and inquiry officer. The Committee also considered the legal opinion received from the CUSAT Standing Council. The contentions raised by the delinquent teacher are not based on the evidence adduced in the inquiry. He has failed to prove that the findings of the inquiry Commission are devoid of any bonafides. The Committee noted that no valid cogent acceptable grounds have been raised by the petitioner so as to reject the findings of the inquiry officer

In view of this the Syndicate may accept the report of Justice Khalid Commission on the charges 1 to 3 against the officer under enquiry and impose the major penalty "Removal from the University service, which shall not be disqualification for future employment". A show cause notice be served to Dr. Babusunder seeking his explanation on the proposed punishment to be meted out to the teacher.

Committee also recommends to forward copies of the report to the Government of Kerala and to the University of Kerala for appropriate action on the findings on point no 3 of the report

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C.M. Dinesh Mani MLA

Dr. S. Salim

Dr. Gangan Pratap

#### INTERIM REPORT OF CAT REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Syndicate meeting of Couldin University of Metance and Lechnology, held on 20.09.2008 observed that the representation of students of Kernia is fimited to the seats reserved for scheduled caste, scheduled tribe and Backward classes. As the matter requires serious revamping, the Syndicate resolved to review the whole process of Admission by a Committee comprising Dr. Joy Job Kulavelil as Convenor, Sri. Baby Chakrapani and Dr. V.P.N. Nampoori as Members.

The Committee met five times during this tenure and made deliberations with the representatives of the organizations of students, teachers and staff. The committee also examined the various Educational Social economic aspects related with this. The committee observed that number of students of Kerala admitted in various academic programmes especially in B.Tech. is decreasing year by year. The table given various states, who were admitted in B.Tech. Programme during 2007 – 08 and 2008 – 09.

STATE	ACADEMIC YEAR		
	2007 - 08	2008 - 09	
Foreign	2 .		
Kerala	416	392	
Bihar	418	474	
Delhi	4	3	
Jharkhand	67	60	
Madhyapradesh	$-\frac{1}{3}$	1	
Orissa	1	1	
Rajasthan	8	5	
Uttarpradesh	25	23	
Uttaranchai	2	2	
West Bengal	2	2	
Tamil Nadu	1		
Assam	1 .		
Punjab	1		
Haryana	2		
Maharashtra	2		
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As more studies, discussions are needed as it is necessary urgent for fixing the date of conduct of CAT 2009, the CAT Review Committee proposes the following recommendations.

- 1. Courses in the UG sector for which Govt. funds are received ie, courses like Naval Architecture & Ship Building, Instrumentation Polymer Science & Rubber Technology, 10% of the seats are earmarked for students on All India basis (All India quota) and the remaining seats for the Keralites.
- 2. For self financing/Cost sharing courses 'free seats' will be only for Keralites (ie.50%) the other 10% for NRIs and the remaining 40% open to all.
- 3. For all regular PG programmes including subsidised PG programmes like MCA, MIB Integrated Photonics & MIBA (T & T), 10% of seats may be set apart for students on All India basis and the remaining for Keralites.
- 4. For PG programmes under self financing sector 50% of the seats may be given to for Keralities, 10% for NRIs and the remaining 40% open to all.
- 5. For M.Tech, M.Phil & Ph.D, Diploma and Certificate Courses the present practice may be followed.
- 6. Tuition Fees of the B.Tech programmes may be revised as follows:

Free seat

: Rs.20,000/- per year.

Payment

: Rs.40,000/- per year

For NRI

: 5000/- dollars at the time of admission + fee

applicable for the payment category.

All other fees components collected during the Academic Year 2008-09 remains the same.

- Cost of online application will remain the same as in previous years, where as additional Rs.50/- may be charged from the students using manual application forms towards postage and handling charges.
- Registration may be permitted both on online and manual. For candidates in Kerala, the applications will be issued through selected SBT branches. Candidates from outside Kerala shall apply online.
- 9. Test will be conducted on All India basis with test centres across the country & in Dubai as in previous year.

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## REPORT TO THE WORKS COMMITTEE ON THE MATTER OF ADDL. FACILITIES AT 8 MTS. LEVEL AREA OF SHIP IN CAMPUS VIDE ITEM NO. 537,17

I have inspected the work and verified the relevant files. The explanations of the Department Head and Faculties were also heard in person.

The Ship in Campus is a new concept being implemented in the country. Therefore it was difficult to perceive and envisage that entire constructional details of the Ship in Campus in advance. Besides decision has been taken in a reasonably short time with a view that modifications and variations can be considered subsequently.

The University had to give consultancy for the installation of Ship in Campus project to IIT Kharagpur urgently as they are the approved consultants. Upon the recommendations of IIT, Kharagpur the consultancy job preparing structural design was given to M/s. Hyydrodine, Culcutta for the whole ship. We received structural design for complete ship and considering the heavy cost we had to modify the designs to single curving of the Hull and half of the length. The Hull of the ship is in concrete and the internal arrangements are to be made in steel for installing the machinery. At the beginning of the construction of the Ship in Campus items, like class room, toilets and changing room were not included in the design. Later, the modification was made in the design by including these items as it was required as per detailed project report submitted by IIT Kharagpur, which was received from the Registrar. Hence this proposal.

Based on the above two points the matter may be considered in the Syndicate.

The estimate is for Rs.29,77,400/- (WO 2658400/- DC Rs.3,19,000/-) is work is executing by CPWD and this is an additional proposal by CPWD.

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