COCHIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



MINUTES OF THE 553rd MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 20.02.2010 AT 10.30 A M IN THE SYNDICATE HALL OF THE UNIVERSITY

Members	present:
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1. Dr. Ramachandran Thekkedath, Vice Chancellor

- (in the Chair)

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- 2. Dr. Godfrey Louis, Pro-Vice-Chancellor
- 3. Dr. K.N. Chandrasekharan Pillai
- 4. Dr. V.P.N. Nampoori
- 5. Prof. P.O.J. Lebba
- 6. Dr. I.S. Bright Singh
- 7. Sri. C.M. Dinesh Mani M.L.A
- 8. Dr. Joy Job Kulavelil
- 9. Adv. K. Mohanachandran
- 10. Shri. Baby Chakrapani
- 11. Shri. N.K. Vasudevan
- 12. Dr. S. Salim
- 13. Dr. Sindhu Joy
- 14. Dr. V. Ajayakumar
- 15. Dr. Kuncheria P. Issac, Director of Technical Education
- 16. Shri. M.Mohammed Basheer, Joint Secretary (Higher Education)
- 17. Shri. V. Prasenan, Additional Secretary (Finance)
- 18. Sri. Narendran T, Chairman, Cochin University Union.

'Also present:

Dr. N. Chandramohanakumar Registrar

Special Items Reported by the Vice-Chancellor:

 The Vice-Chancellor informed the demise of Prof. (Dr.) R. Prathap, Former Member of Senate, Syndicate of CUSAT and Visiting Professor in the Department of Physics.

The Syndicate expressed its deep felt condolence over the demise of Dr. R. Prathap and observed one minute silence, as a mark of respect to the departed.

2. The Vice-Chancellor reported that he visited New Delhi to attend a Conference convened by the Human Resource Development Minister Shri. Kapil Sibal on 27.01.2010.

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On this occasion he visited various Central Ministers, Officials and sought their co-operation and assistance for various programmes of Cochin University of Science and Technology. The Central Ministers include Shri. A.K. Antony, Shri. Kapil Sibal, Shri. Farooq Abdullah and Sri. E. Ahammed. The Ministers expressed their willingness to provide any sort of assistance to the University.

3. Prof. V.P.N. Nampoori reported to the Syndicate that during his visit to Delhi, he had discussions with the U.G.C on the allocation of XI Plan grants to the University. The U.G.C. has issued directions for filling up of posts sanctioned in the XI Plan through contract appointment if there is any difficulty in getting the concurrence of the State Government for permanent appointment.

The Syndicate resolved to take appropriate steps for identification of the posts and making the contract appointments.

- 4. The Vice-Chancellor informed that the Hon'ble Minister for Education Shri. M.A. Baby convened a meeting of Vice-Chancellors at Thiruvananthapuram on 16th February 2010 at 9.00 A.M. Among the agenda of the meeting, the status regarding 'Erudite' was discussed and CUSAT received a good appreciation in the mode of conduct of the Scheme. Among other things, Aspire, New Scholarships and Inter-University Centres were discussed.
- 5. Vice-Chancellor also informed that another meeting was also held on the same day to discuss the matters regarding the transition of Affiliation of new Colleges for the Academic year 2010-2011 to the newly formed Kerala University of Health & Allied Sciences under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Minister for Health.
- 6. At 2.00 P M on the same day a meeting convened by the Kerala State Higher Education Council was held in the same venue to discuss 'Draft Legislation on the Constitution of National Commission for Higher Education and Research'.

The Vice-Chancellor and Prof. Joy Job Kulavelil reported the details of the discussions.

- 7. An interdisciplinary Seminar on Climate Change was conducted by Cochin University Union on 21.01.2010 at Thrikkakara Campus.
- 8. An Indo-European Workshop on Waste Management in Aquaculture and Fisheries organized by School of Industrial Fisheries, CUSAT was held on 10-11, February 2010.
- 9. Prof. Sathianandan Endowment Lecture on 'Fifty Years in Spectroscopy with Lasers' by Dr. V.B. Kartha, FNA, FNA Sc was conducted by Department of Physics, CUSAT on 17.02.2010.
- 10. The Marine Biology Division of School of Marine Sciences conducted a National Symposium on Impact of Climate Change at Lakeside Campus, CUSAT on 18-19, February 2010.

- 11. The Vice Chancellor informed that the Confederation of India Industry conducted a seminar on 'Skills Conference 2010' on 19.02.2010 in which the Vice Chancellor was an invitee.
- 12. The Vice Chancellor reported that our students got 1st Prize in Mimicry and second prize in MIME at National Inter University Youth Festival held on 2.2.2010 to 6.2.2010 at M.D.University, Rothtak, Hariyana.

Item No.553.01 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 552nd Meeting of the Syndicate held on 23.01.2010.

The Syndicate considered the draft minutes of the 552nd Meeting of the Syndicate held on 23.01.2010 and approved the same with the following emendations.

In special items reported by the Vice Chancellor, the sentence "The Syndicate recorded its appreciation on the remarkable achievements" be added after item No. 4, vi b and vii b.

In Item No. 552.16, the resolution is modified as follows:

The Syndicate resolved to approve the draft master plan for (a) Centre for IPR Studies (b) Inter University Centre for Nano Materials and Devices and (c) Inter-University Centre for Development of Marine Biotechnology.

The Syndicate further resolved that there shall be regular monitoring of the functioning of the centers.

Item No.553.02 Setting up a Mechanical Lab in Cochin University College of Engineering, Kuttanad.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Works and Finance and Purchase, the request of the Principal, CUCEK for setting up a Mechanical Lab in CUCEK and the report of the Committee constituted to examine the feasibility of establishing a Mechanical Lab at CUCEK in the existing building considering the soil structure of the campus.

The Syndicate resolved to examine the possibility of setting up of the Mechanical Lab at CUCEK by a Committee consisting of external experts, Director of Technical Education and the Principal of the College.

PL (UGC)

Item No.553.03 Review of the Memorandum of Understanding between STEC & CUSAT on STIC.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase and Academic, the matter of review of funding arrangements between CUSAT and STIC and MoU signed between CUSAT and STEC in this regard.

The Syndicate resolved to constitute a Committee with Dr. Joy Job Kulavelil, Dr. V.P. N. Nampoori and Director of Technical Education to study the issue and submit recommendations.

PL(UGC)

Item No.553.04 Private Institutions - Request for Recognition - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the following

- 1. Whether the University need grant Recognition to more institutions
- 2. Whether the University treat Government sponsored Institutions and Private Institutions at par.
- 3. Whether Legal opinion be sought in the matter in case the University chooses to distinguish between Government Institutions and Private Institutions.
- 4. Whether application form for seeking recognition to new Institutions (costing Rs.7500/-) be issued sparingly/selectively. If so what should be the norms.

The Syndicate resolved that in view of the limited resources and infrastructure available at present, the University cannot afford to give further recognition to any other Colleges as of now.

(Ac.C)

Item No.553.05 Nursing College under Co-operative Academy of Professional Education – Request for recognition – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the following:

- 1. Whether the CMC College of Nursing be granted Provisional Recognition for the year 2009-10.
- 2. Whether any concession need be granted to the college for the payment of Annual Recognition fee.

The Syndicate resolved to grant provisional recognition for the year 2009-10 to the Co-operative Medical College, College of Nursing.

The Syndicate further resolved to consider the request of the Director, Co-operative Medical College for concession in the annual recognition fee only after the Committee constituted to examine the annual recognition fee of the self-financing colleges, finalizes its report.

(Ac.C)

Item No.553.06 Revision of rate of remuneration of those included in the reserve panel of Driver/Conductor - Consideration of -

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase and Staff & Establishment, the recommendation of the Staff Council on revision of rate of remuneration of those included in the reserve panel of Drivers/Conductors.

The Syndicate resolved to enhance the rate of Daily Allowance for the reserve panel Drivers/Conductors from Rs.75/- to Rs.100/- per day w.e.f. the date of the Syndicate meeting (20.02.2010), based on the admissibility of the same for Class III &IV employees as per the latest pay revision orders.

The Syndicate also resolved to call the details of employee-wise payment of Daily Allowance (total) made to reserve panel Drivers/Conductors and to the Drivers/Conductors on daily wages for the years 2008-09 and 2009-10 upto January 2010 be placed before the next Syndicate meeting.

(Ad.G)

Item No.553.07 Prof. K.A. Simon, Director (on contract basis), Kunjali Marakkar School of Marine Engineering – Extension of contract – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment, the matter of ratifying the action taken by the Vice Chancellor in according sanction extending the period of contract of Prof. K.A. Simon, Director (on contract basis), Kunjali Marakkar School of Marine Engineering for a further period w.e.f. 13.12.2009 to 13.9.2010.

The Syndicate resolved to ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in extending the period of contract of Prof. K.A. Simon, Director (on contract basis) KMSME from 13.12.2009 to 13.09.2010.

The Syndicate further resolved to advertise the vacancy immediately. (Ad.F)

Item No.553.08 Sabbatical leave to Sri. James K.J, Reader, Department of Ship Technology with effect from 31.12.2009 – Ratification by the Syndicate –Reg.

The Syndicate considered the matter of ratifying the action taken by the Vice Chancellor permitting Sri. James K.J, Reader, Department of Ship Technology to avail sabbatical leave for a period of one year with effect from 31.12.2009.

The Syndicate resolved to ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor permitting Sri. K.J. James to avail sabbatical leave.

(Ad.D)

Item No.553.09 Including Leave Without Allowances in the leave rules of Contract Teachers - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance & Purchase, Academic and Staff & Establishment, the matter of including Leave Without Allowances in the leave rules of Contract Teachers.

The Syndicate resolved to grant L.W.A upto 3 months to contract staff in exceptional circumstances.

(Ad.F)

Item No.553.10 WP (C) No.35686 of 2005 filed by Sri. V.M. Peter & Sri. K.J. Gilbert - Filing of appeal - Reg.

The Syndicate considered the judgment of the Hon'ble High Court in W.P (C) No. 35686 of 2005 filed by Sri.V.M. Peter and Sri. K.J. Gilbert and whether to file an appeal in view of the wide implication in the Judgment.

The Syndicate resolved to implement the Court order and to grant the higher grades to Sri. V.M. Peter and Sri. K.J. Gilbert as a special case.

The Syndicate further resolved to take steps to avoid occurrence of delay in filing appeal in future.

(Legal Affairs)

Item No.553.11 Revision of rates for conduct of test by outside agencies/Universities – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the revision of rates for conduct of tests by outside agencies/Universities.

The Syndicate resolved the following:

- (I) All tests/examinations conducted in CUSAT by outside agencies/sister universities will be coordinated by IRAA and the Director, IRAA will be the Coordinator of such tests/examinations.
- (II) No department of the University is authorized to directly grant permission to any outside agency/sister university for conduct of such tests/examinations. If requests for conduct of such tests/examinations are received directly by the departments, they shall forward the request to the Director, IRAA, with their recommendations. Based on this, the Director, IRAA shall accord sanction or otherwise for conduct of the test/examination. In such cases the concerned person from the department will be the Chief Superintendent.

- (III) The outside agency/sister university will be charged as follows:
- (a) <u>Rent:</u> Rs. 2000/- per day. [Of the amount so collected, 60% should be remitted to the CUF and the balance 40% to the DDF of the concerned department]
- (b) Overhead Charges: Rs. 10/- per candidate per day, subject to a minimum of Rs. 200/- per day. [This amount is to be remitted in full to the CUF].
- (c) Remuneration to Staff:
- (a) Coordinator/Chief Superintendent

: A minimum of Rs. 1000/-on the day of the test and on the previous day of the test.

(b) Invigilators

: Rs.350/- per 2 hour session Rs.450/- per 3 hour session (for every 20 candidates there should be one Invigilator)

(c) Control Room Assistant

: Rs.450/- per day or part there of on the

days of the test.

(d) Class IV staff

: Rs.300/- per day of the test

- (d) Miscellaneous Expenses:
- (a) Preliminary arrangement

: Rs.2/- per candidate depending upon the number of seats arranged to be divided among the staff engaged (The rates are at par with the University Examinations rates)

(b) Refreshment charges

At the actuals

(c) Stationery & supplies

: Towards cost of stationery or any other item if any, purchased for the conduct of the test.

(IRAA)

Item No.553.12 Inquiry into the regularization of services of Smt.Prameela.P.V. as per Judgment of the Hon'ble High Court in O.P. No.16858/98 - Placing of Inquiry Report - Reg.

The Syndicate considered the report of the inquiry into the regularization of services of Smt. Prameela P.V as per Judgement of the Hon'ble High Court in OP No.16858/98 submitted by the Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff & Establishment.

The Syndicate resolved to consider this case as an isolated one and special care will have to be taken not to repeat such instance in future. The University should in future discontinue with the practice of long and continuous engagement of persons on daily wages or on provisional appointment. The Head of Departments should ensure a strict vigil on the engagement of staff on daily wages and experience certificate should be issued only by the Registrar on recommendation from the Head.

The Syndicate also resolved that a reply be furnished to the Local Fund Audit in the above lines and that office be requested to drop the audit objections in this regards.

(Legal Affairs)

Item No.553.13 Light roofing works to Open Air Auditorium – Award of work to the lowest bidder M/s. Jyothi Mechanical Movement – Consideration of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Works and Finance and Purchase, the matter of awarding the work to M/s. Jyothi Mechanical Movement at their quoted amount of Rs.39,58,918/- + taxes as per prevailing Government rules with their revised quantities of items on condition that (1) the increase in quantity on execution shall be limited to 5%, (2) The design approval from Government Agency shall be produced before making payment to them.

The Syndicate resolved to award the work to M/s. Jyothi Mechanical Movement at their quoted amount of Rs.39,58,918/- + taxes as per prevailing Govt. rules with their revised quantities of items on condition that (1) the increase in quantity if any on execution shall be limited to 5% and (2) the design approval from Government agency shall be produced before starting the construction.

The Syndicate also resolved to direct M/s. Jyothi Mechanical Movement to submit a sample of the roofing sheet proposed to be used prior to the execution of agreement to check the quality, strength and corrugation.

(UEU)

Item No.553.14 Renovation and maintenance to the Savanna Teacher's Hostel in Thrikkakara Campus – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Works and Finance and Purchase, the matter of award of the work of renovation and maintenance of the Savanna Teachers' Hostel at Thrikkakara campus to Forest Industries (Travancore) Ltd, Thaikkattukara, Aluva at the quoted rate of Rs.28% above P.A.C with A.P.A.C of Rs.20,50,423/-.

The Syndicate resolved to award the work to the lowest bidder M/s. Forest Industries (Travancore)Ltd, Thaikkattukara, Aluva at their quoted rate of 28% above PAC with an APAC of Rs. 20.50.423/- (Rupees twenty lakhs fifty thousand four hundred and twenty three only) (UEU)

Item No.553.15 Light roofing works to the Computer Centre in Thrikkakara – Approval of Estimate – Award of work – Consideration – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Works and Finance and Purchase, the 1. The estimate amounting to Rs.21,40,000/- based on the local rates and 2. The awarding of works to the lowest tenderer Sri. V. Pradeep at his quoted amount of Rs.23,99,500/- in respect of the light roofing works to the Computer Centre building in Thirkkkara.

The Syndicate resolved to award the work to the lowest bidder Sri.V. Pradeep at his quoted rate of Rs.23,99,500/- (Rupees twenty three lakhs ninety nine thousand and five hundred only).

(UEU)

Item No.553.16 Approval of layout plan for Students Amenity Centre – Construction of new building for Health Centre – Demolishing of old building for Health Centre for constructing Students Amenity Centre – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Works, the matter of

1. Modified Plan of Students Amenity Centre

2. The demolishing of old Health Centre

3. The proposal for construction of new building for Health centre in front of the Faculty club

4. Entrusting the Head of the Department of Civil Engineering, School of Engineering, CUSAT the matter of examining and reporting the bearing capacity of the soil at the proposed site of Students Amenity Centre.

The Syndicate resolved the following with regard to the construction of the Student Amenity Centre.

- To approve the modified layout plan with a suggestion to provide a common verandah for public access to rooms like DTP, barber shop, laundry and snack bar in lower floor.
- 2. To approve the demolishing of existing Health Centre.
- 3. To approve the proposal for construction of new building for Health Centre in front of Faculty club,.
- 4. To entrust the work to CPWD based on the following reasons.
 - a. The project is being funded from the Additional Central Assistance of Rs.2 crores and sanctioned and released.
 - b. Utilization certificate is to be submitted to the State Government urgently.

(UEU)

Item No.553.17 Procurement of Title deeds of University property in Thrikkakara Campus - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Works, the matter of procurement of Title deeds of University Property in Thrikkakara Campus.

The Syndicate resolved to direct the Registrar to send a reminder to the Survey Superintendent with a copy to the Revenue Minister and to take up the matter with the District Collector if a reply is not received with in a reasonable time.

(UEU)

Item No.553.18 Minutes of Monitoring Committee held on 20.01.2010, 29.01.2010 & 09.02.2010.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Works, the minutes of the monitoring Committee on Works held on 20.01.2010, 29.01.2010 and 9.2.2010.

The Syndicate noted the action taken by the Monitoring Committee in connection with various works.

(UEU)

Item No.553.19 Additional facilities at 8 mtr. Level areas of Ship-in-campus building for Marine Engineering Department – Releasing of sanctioned amount to C.P.W.D. – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Works and Finance and Purchase, the matter of additional facilities at 8 mtr level areas of Ship-in-campus building for Marine Engineering Division and releasing of payment of Rs.26,58,400/- (work outlay only) to Executive Engineer, C.P.W.D Kochi, Central Division.

The Syndicate resolved to release an amount of Rs.26,58,400/- (work outlay only) to the Executive Engineer, CPWD, Kochi Central Division, Kochi towards the additional facilities at 8 mtr. Level areas in Ship in Campus building in KMSME.

(UEU)

Item No.553.20 Ship-in-campus for Marine Engineering — Development work — Estimate submitted by C.P.W.D. for approval – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Works and Finance and Purchase, the matter relating to the developmental work associated with the Ship in Campus and the estimate amounting to Rs.44,95,000/- (W.O) +Rs.5,39,400/- (D.C) totaling to Rs.50,34,400/- and releasing of the amount to E.E., C.P.W.D, Kochi Central Division, Kochi as per the clause in MoU being executed by C.P.W.D.

The Syndicate resolved to award the work to CPWD on the estimated amount ie.Rs. 50,34,400/- (Rs. 44,95,000/- (W.O) + Rs. 5,39,400/- (D.C.) The Syndicate also recommended to consider use of interlocking blocks.

(UEU)

Item No.553.21 Digital survey of Thrikkakara Campus - Award of work - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Works, the matter of Digital survey of Thirkkkara Campus and the award of the work of the same to the lowest quoted bidder M/s. Locus at their quoted rate of Rs.690/- acre with total amount of Rs.1,26,270/- + tax etc. based on the existing boundary line.

The Syndicate resolved to award the work to the first lowest bidder M/s. Locus at his quoted rate of Rs.690/acre, plus taxes and to conduct the survey based on the existing boundaries.

(UEU)

Item No.553.22 Construction of Steel Stern Structure of Ship-in-campus of KMSME – Award of work to M/s.HMIL – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Works, the proposal for awarding the work of construction of the Steel Stern Structure of Ship-in-Campus of KMSME to M/s. Hoosami Metal Industries Ltd. at a cost of Rs.46,50,000/-.

The Syndicate resolved to award the work to M/s. Hoosami Metal Industries Ltd. During the discussion the Syndicate noted that there is no sufficient infrastructure at the School of Engineering and resolved to request School of Engineering to bring in a Master Plan within two months.

(Strategic Planning)

Item No.553.23 IUCNMD - Post of Deputy Director - Request received from Dr.Joseph M.J. - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, Academic and Staff & Establishment, the request received from Dr. Joseph M.J who is Project Scientist of IUCNMD to consider him for the post of Scientist-in-Charge/Deputy Director of IUCNMD.

The Syndicate resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to take an appropriate decision giving due consideration to the recommendations of the Standing Committees and the deliberations in the Syndicate on this item.

(PL. (UGC)

Item No.553.24 The Kerala State Higher Education Council – Draft Policy on Higher Education – Request for discussion – Minutes of the Committee – Consideration of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered the proposals submitted by the Committee constituted in the University with Pro-Vice-Chancellor as Chairman and Dr.K.P. Narayanan, Reader, Department of Ship Technology as Convenor for suggesting the modalities of Discussions proposed by Keralal State Higher Education Council.

The Syndicate resolved to accept the following proposals of the Committee:

- 1. To call a Special meeting of the Senate to discuss the draft policy.
- 2. A two days workshop be conducted in the University and Dr. U.R. Ananthamoorthy will be invited to inaugurate the workshop by delivering a talk on the Draft Policy.
- The conduct two day workshop in following manner:

First day – Parallel work shop of Employees, Students and Teachers Second day – consolidating workshop

Participants in each workshop be limited to 30.

4. Two representatives of Service/Students Organizations be invited for Preliminary discussion.

(Strategic Planning)

Item No.553.25 Purchase of Keltron PC and Acer Notebook.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the request of the Head, Department of Electronics to purchase 16 numbers of Keltron PCs at Rs.68,800.00/- per computer and one number of Acer note book at a cost of Rs.16890.00/- amounting to a total of Rs.11,17,690.00/- (Rupees eleven lakks seventeen thousand six hundred and ninety only) and to draw this amount as advance.

The Syndicate resoled to sanction the purchase of 16 Keltron PCs at Rs.68800, per Computer and one Acer notebook at Rs.16890/- at a total cost of Rs.1117690/- and to draw the amount as advance.

(PL (UGC)

Item No.553.26 Recognition of Dr.Asha Elizabeth Daniel, Reader, Schoolof Engineering as Research Guide of CUSAT – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the request of Dr. Asha Elizabeth Daniel, Reader, School of Engineering, CUSAT for recognizing her as a Research Guide under the Faculty of Engineering.

The Syndicate resolved to grant recognition as Research Guide to Dr. Asha Elizabeth Daniel, Reader, School of Engineering under the faculty of Engineering.

(Ac.B)

Item No.553.27 Recognition of Dr.Glory Joseph, Reader, School of Engineering as Research Guide of CUSAT – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the request of Dr. Glory Joseph, Reader, School of Engineering CUSAT for recognizing her as a Research Guide under the Faculty of Engineering.

The Syndicate resolved to grant recognition as Research Guide to Dr. Glory Joseph, Reader, School of Engineering under the Faculty of Engineering.

(Ac.B)

Item No.553.28 Ph.D. Regulations 2004 – Amendment to Clause 3 (iv) and 6 (ii) – Resolution of the Academic Council – Approval – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the matter of amendment to Clause 3(iv) and 6 (ii) of the Ph.D Regulation 2004 as approved by the Academic Council held on 26.08.2009 and also the fixing the date of effect of the said amendment.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the Amendment to Clause 3 (iv) and 6(ii) of the Ph.D. Regulations 2004 and the date of effect fixed as from 2009 admission onwards.

(Ac.B)

Item No.553.29 Smt.Kochuthresia C.J., Senior Grade Typist/Stenographer - Request for extension of Leave Without Allowances - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment, the request of Smt. Kochuthressia C.J, Senior Grade Typist/Stenographer for extension of Leave Without Allowances for a further period of five years retrospectively w.e.f. 4.9.2009 to join spouse abroad as per provisions in the Appendix XIIC of K.S.R Part I.

The Syndicate resolved to decline the request of extension of L.W.A for a period of 5 years from Smt. Kochuthressia C.J, Senior Grade Typist/Stenographer and to inform Smt. Kochithressia that she can be sanctioned a maximum of one year L.W.A. if she give a fresh application for the same.

(Ad.G)

Item No.553.30 Internal recruitment to the post of Photocopier Operator/Duplicator Operator – Discrepancy in the resolutions of the Syndicate – Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase and Staff and Establishment, the matter of filling up of the post of Photocopier Operator/Duplicator Operator and the discrepancy in this matter in the resolution of 548th and 549th meetings of the Syndicate pointed out by Cochin University Employees Association.

The Syndicate resolved not to give effect to the decision of the Syndicate on item 549.22 to notify the vacancy of Photocopier/Duplicator Operator.

(Ad.G)

Item No.553.31 Extension of tenure of six posts in Audit Wing - Consideration of - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase and Staff & Establishment, the matter of extension of term of four posts of Assistants, one Typist and one Peon created in the Audit Wing meeting its expenditure from Self financing funds w.e.f. 21.2.2010.

The Syndicate resolved to give extension of tenure of six posts in Audit Wing for one year with effect from 21.02.2010.

(Ad.A)

Item No.553.32 NCAAH – Qualifications for the two Lecturer posts – Prescribed by the Academic Council – Framing of regulations – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic Matters, the matter of notifying the Regulation in respect of qualification for the two posts of Lecturers in the National Centre for Aquatic Animal Health sanctioned by the University Grants Commission for starting M.Tech Course in Marine Biotechnology.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the qualifications prescribed by the Academic Council for the two lecturer posts in NCAAH and the date of effect of the regulation is fixed as 26.03.2008, the date of meeting of the Academic Council.

(Ad.D)

Item No.553.33 Establishment – University Teachers – Sri. Thomas T., Senior Lecturer, Division of Mechanical Engineering, Cochin University College of Engineering Kuttanadu – Request for Pursuing Ph.D. Degree Programme under QIP and also for transfer to School of Engineering/Kunjali Marakkar School of Engineering – Consideration of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees of the Syndicate on Academic Matters and Staff & Establishment, the request of Sri. Thomas T, Senior Lecturer, Division of Mechanical Engineering, Cochin University College of Engineering, Kuttanad to permit him to join Ph.D Programme as Part-Time Scholar in any of the concerned division of School of Engineering/Kunjali Marakkar School of Marine Engineering and to facilitate this to grant him transfer to SOE/KMSME.

The Syndicate resolved to decline the request of Sri. Thomas T, Senior Lecturer, Division of Mechanical Engineering, Cochin University College of Engineering, Kuttanad.

Item No.553.34 Resolution of the Syndicate on qualification for the post of Wardencum-Physical Trainer – Scale of pay included while communicating the resolution – Reporting of.

The Syndicate considered the matter of ratification of the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in including the scale of pay of Rs.9190-15510 for the post of Warden-cum-Physical Trainer, which was silent in the resolution of the Syndicate held on 22.08.2009 which considered the report of the Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment regarding qualification, scale of pay etc. of the said post.

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

(Ad.G)

Item No.553.35 Deputation of University employees – Framing a Policy – Extension of deputation of Smt.Sheeba Singh G.J., Assistant (Selection grade) – Recommendations of the Standing Committee, Staff and Establishment – Consideration of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment held on 21.01.2010 to permit Smt. Sheeba Singh G.J, Assistant (Selection Grade) to continue on deputation upto 18.12.2010 and to take a policy decision on granting deputation to University Staff to other institutions.

The Syndicate resolved to decline the request of Smt. Sheeba Singh G.J, Assistant (Selection Grade) for extension of the period of deputation.

(Ad.A)

Item No.553.36 Review of the Policy on Registration of firms under Rate Contract - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the matter of review of the policy on registration of firms under rate contract.

The Syndicate resolved to continue the present practice. (Ad.C)

Item No.553.37 Appointment by transfer from among low paid employees to the post of Assistant – Recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff & Establishment – Consideration of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the matter of appointment by transfer from among low paid employees to the post of Assistant and the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment in the matter of granting promotions to Sri.Joseph Guiltion K.B, Peon and Kum.Sreejaya J, Clerical Assistant.

The Syndicate resolved to accept the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment in the matter of granting promotions to Sri. Joseph Guiltion K.B, Peon, Ad. B. Section and Kum. Sreejaya J, Clerical Assistant (currently on LWA for study purpose).

(Ad.A)

Item No.553.38 Smt.Oormila T.R., Assistant (Selection Grade) – Deputation to Kerala State Pollution Control Board, Thiruvananthapuram – Consideration of – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the matter of granting deputation to Smt. Oormila T.R, Assistant (Selection Grade), Planning (UGC) Section to the Kerala State Pollution Control Board, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Syndicate resolved to decline the request for deputation of Smt. Oormila T.R, Assistant (Selection Grade), Planning (UGC) Section to the Kerala State Pollution Control Board, Thiruvananthapuram.

(Ad.A)

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Item No.553.39 Enhancement of Permanent Advance - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the matter of enhancing the Permanent Advance of Rs.7000/- under the General Service Section to Rs.15000/-(Rupees fifteen thousand only).

The Syndicate resolved to enhance the Permanent Advance of the General Services Section to Rs. 15000/-.

(General Service)

Item No.553.40 Appointment of Lecturer on contract basis in CELOS - Reporting of - Reg.

The Syndicate considered the matter of the appointment of Lecturer on contract basis in CELOS from the general category against the roster turn reserved for SC in the absence of candidates belonging to SC in the rank list as per the conditions in the University Order No.Ad.D3/104/Con/06 (II) dated 8.8.2009.

The Syndicate ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

(Ad.D)

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Item No.553.41 Payment of Advocate Fees to Adv.M.M.Mathew for Writ petition Nos.27692/07 filed by Dr.A.Ramachandran and W.P.(C).27768 of 2007 filed by Dr.K.Sajan – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the matter of payment of Advocate fees amounting to Rs.2,02,000/- to Advocate Sri. M.M. Mathew for his appearance for the writ petition No. W.P.(C) No. 27692/07 filed by Dr. A. Ramachandran and W.P (C) No. 27768 of 2007 filed by Dr. K. Sajan.

The Syndicate authorized the Registrar to settle the issue after discussions with the Advocate.

(Legal Affairs)

Item No.553.42 Issue of admissibility of interest on PF balance in A/c.No.664 in respect of Dr.K.L.Sebastian, former Professor, Department of Applied Chemistry – Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance and Purchase, the matter of granting Dr. K.L. Sebastian, former Professor, Department of Applied Chemistry interest on his P.F. balance upto the date of its transfer to IISc. Bangalore ie, upto November 2004 by providing a relaxation under Rule 35 of GPF (K) Rule.

The Syndicate resolved to approve the claim of Dr. K.L. Sebastian and to sanction interest on his P.F. Balance upto the date of its transfer to IISc. Bangalore.

(Accounts)

Item No.553.43 National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NMEICT) -1Gbps connectivity and 400 nodes of LAN

The Syndicate considered the action taken by the Vice Chancellor in according sanction to implement the Scheme "National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NMEICT) and (1) to Subscribe 1 Gpbs connectivity from B.S.N.L. at the cost of Rs.5.00 lakhs (Rupees five laksh only) per year for a period of 10 years and (2) to Establish/upgrade 400 nodes of LAN network at the cost of Rs.10.00 lakhs (Rupees Ten lakhs).

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

(CIRM)

Items Outside the Agenda:

1. The Syndicate considered the matter of purchasing a new vehicle for the use of Vice-Chancellor.

The Syndicate resolved to purchase a new vehicle for the use of Vice Chancellor by replacing one staff car which is too old for operations.

 The Syndicate considered the report submitted by the Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment on the issue of granting higher grade to Assistant Registrars of the University.

The Syndicate resolved to accept and implement the report submitted by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Staff and Establishment and resolved to sanction higher grade to Assistant Registrar in the Cochin University of Science and Technology.

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