

UNIVERSITY OF COCHIN

**Minutes of the 161st meeting of the Syndicate held
on 6-2-1982**

Place of meeting : Hill Palace
Tripunithura

Time : 11 a. m.

Members of Present:

1. Shri. M. Mohankumar
(Spl. Secretary, Higher Education acting
as Vice-Chancellor) in the chair
2. Shri. V. Aravindakshan Nair
3. Dr. P. N. Krishnan Nambisan
4. Dr. M. P. Parameswaran
5. Dr. N. Parameswaran Nair
6. Dr. Paul A. Vatakencherry
7. Dr. K. Sathianandan
8. Dr. S. Vasudev
9. Prof. P. S. Velayudhan

Item No. 161.01. Confirmation of the Minutes of the
160th meeting of the Syndicate held
14.1-1982

Resolved that the Minutes of the 160th meeting of the Syndicate be confirmed subject to the following emendations/additions.

(i) Item No. 160.03 : add as last paragraph the following resolution. "Resolved further that the measures of economy proposed by the State Committee on fixation of grants to universities be adopted in this University".

(ii) The following be added as Item No. 160.24.

Item No. 160.24. Advertisement of the post of University Engineer-reg.

The Syndicate considered the statement of applications received for the post of University Engineer in response to the advertisement already issued.

Resolved that the post of University Engineer be re-advertised with the additional proviso that 'age will be relaxed in deserving cases'.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.02. Report of the Vice-Chancellor on important developments in the University since the last meeting of the Syndicate.

(a) As authorised by the Syndicate at its last meeting legal advice was taken as to whether the Deputy Registrar against whom a criminal case was pending could be permitted to retire on superannuation, and in the light of legal advice, the retention of Shri. V. Chellappa Panicker in service was ordered on public grounds under rule 60 (a) KSR.

Legal advice should now be taken on the question whether disciplinary proceedings might be initiated by the University against Shri. V. Chellappa Panicker simultaneously with the criminal proceedings.

Arising out of the report, the Syndicate resolved:

(i) The action of the Vice-Chancellor reported be ratified.

(ii) Legal advice be taken on the proposal for taking departmental disciplinary action against Shri. V. Chellappa Panicker during the pendency of criminal proceedings.

(Ad.)

(b) The Cochin University Employees Union was staging a hunger strike since morning expressing dissatisfaction at the measures taken in connection with the assault on a University employee by some outsiders and in support of certain demands submitted.

The University took a serious view of the assault on university employees by outsiders and he and the Registrar had with the utmost expedition taken up the issue with the police authorities including the City Police Commissioner and the I. G. P. They had accordingly taken action and informed that the offenders would be dealt with according to procedures established by law.

The problem of campus security was complicated by the absence of fencing and the presence of large number of workers from outside on the work sites. The present security staff apparently was inadequate and incapable of dealing with the problem.

Arising out of the report, the Syndicate resolved:

(i) One post of Asst. Security Officer of the rank of S.I. of police be created for one year and that the post be filled on deputation from the State police force. In view of the urgency of the matter the post will be created and thereafter the matter placed before the Statutory Finance Committee. Action to fill the post will be taken expeditiously.

(Ad.)

(ii) Four posts of security guards be created, and filled by ex-servicemen in accordance with the procedures already laid down. Correspondingly, four vacant posts of Chowkidars shall stand abolished.

(Ad.)

(iii) The two sergeants of the University be posted in rotation at the Trikkakara Campus.

(Ad.)

(iv) The Kalamassery police be requested to undertake routine patrolling of the campus after dusk.

(Gl. Adm.)

(v) The Security Officer should make more frequent visits to the campus.

(Gl. Adm.)

(vi) The construction of the compound wall be speeded up. The Works Committee of the Syndicate might examine how best this could be done. The Works Committee might examine the question of fencing or putting up a compound wall for the campus as a whole as a part of the development of the campus. A rough cost estimate may be prepared in this regard.

(Pl.)

(c) There is a demand that along with the administrative office from Hill Palace to Trikkakara, adequate number of quarters should be constructed at the Trikkakara campus for accommodating the employees now living with family or as bachelors at the Hill Palace campus. Arising out of the report resolved, that the requirements in this regard be ascertained and steps taken to have plan and estimates prepared for constructing quarters at the Trikkakara campus for the employees now residing at the Hill Palace.

(Pl.)

(d) A demand has also been put forward for purchasing an additional bus for easing the overloading in the existing vehicles.

Arising out of the report, the Syndicate resolved that the representation in this regard might be examined. The practice of allowing dependents of the employees to travel in the buses of the University may be reviewed.

(Gl. Adm.)

Item No. 161.03. Leave without allowances to take up job outside the University - extension of - request of Shri A. B. George - reg.

The Syndicate considered the request of Shri A. B. George, University Librarian, on leave without allowances since 3-1-1980 for taking up employment elsewhere, for extension of leave for a further period of six months w. e. f. 4-1-1982, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff & Establishment.

Resolved that Shri A. B. George be granted further extension of leave of the kind for the same purpose for a period of six months w. e. f. 4-1-1982.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.04. Department of Marine Sciences - Appointment of Aquarium Assistants - reg.

The Syndicate considered the proposal of the Head of the Department of Marine Sciences for the appointment of Aquarium Assistants and a curator for the Aquarium on Lakeside campus, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff and establishment.

Resolved that details of qualifications, scale of pay and duties of the Aquarium assistants and Curator of the Kerala University Aquarium and similar government establishments be collected and placed before the Syndicate for consideration.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.05. Fieldman - promotion to the post of Asst. Grade II on a par with Clerical Assistants, Lab, Lib. Assistants - reg.

Deferred for consideration at the next Syndicate along with details regarding the avenues of promotion available to fieldman under the Kerala University.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.06. Request of Dr. V. N. Sivasankara Pillai for protection of previous pay - reg.

The Syndicate considered the request of Dr. V. N. Sivasankara Pillai, Reader, Department of Applied Chemistry for protection of his pay in previous employment and consequent refixation of pay, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff and Establishment.

Resolved that the request be declined, as the decision of the Syndicate dated 2-5-1981 vide Item No. 151.27 cannot be given retrospective effect.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.07. Application from Shri K. J. Vincent for leave without allowances for taking up employment abroad - reg.

The Syndicate considered the request of Shri K. J. Vincent, Reader, School of Management Studies, for leave

without allowances for 5 years for taking up employment abroad, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff & Establishment.

Resolved that Shri K. J. Vincent be granted leave without allowances for a period of 5 years from the date of avail, subject to the condition that the period of leave will not count for pension and other service benefits.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.08. University canteen at Trikkakara - Running of - acceptance of tenders - reg.

The Syndicate considered the tenders for running the University Canteen at Trikkakara submitted by the four persons who responded to the University notification, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff & Establishment, and Works.

Resolved that the tender submitted by Shri K. B. Mohanan Nair be accepted subject to negotiated reduction of the rate for poori masala and he be entrusted with the running of the University canteen at Trikkakara for one year.

Resolved further that the contractor be required to keep the canteen open on holidays and Sundays.

(Gl. Adm.)

Item No. 161.09. Norms promotion - upgradation of the Post of Lecturer held by Shri M. G. Seshagiri Rao to that of Reader for giving him norms promotion - reg.

The Syndicate considered the proposal for the upgradation of the post of Lecturer in the Department of Marine Sciences, held by Shri. M. G. Seshagiri Rao to that of Reader for giving him promotion under Clause 1 of the norms for the upgradation of teaching posts in the University Teaching Departments, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff & Establishment.

Resolved that his suitability for the post of Reader be assessed by a Committee similar in composition to that of a Board of Appointment consisting of the following external experts from the panel of Experts:

Sl. No. 1

Sl. No. 2

Sl. No. 3 (reserve)

(P. S. to V. C.)

Item No. 161.10. Norms promotion - upgradation of the Post of Lecturer held by Dr. M. Easwari, Dept. of Hindi to that of Reader - consideration of -

The Syndicate considered the proposal for the upgradation of the post of Lecturer held by Dr. M. Easwari, Department of Hindi, to that of Reader in accordance with clause 3 of the norms for the upgradation of Teaching posts in University Departments, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff and Establishment.

Resolved that the proposal be approved and that the Senate be requested to institute a post of Reader in the Department of Hindi for giving Dr. Easwari promotion according to norms.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.11. Leave without allowances and maternity leave - request of Smt. Bina S. Prabhu, Lecturer, School of Management Studies - Reg.

The Syndicate considered the question of granting Smt. Bina S. Prabhu, Lecturer, School of Management Studies, leave without allowances for 86 days w. e. f. 21-8-81, in continuation of 81 days' of such leave already granted to her w. e. f. 1-6-81, with maternity leave for 3 months in succession, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff & Establishment.

Resolved that the leave be not granted as the leave, asked for is in excess of what is permissible as per Rule 88 (ii) Part I K. S. R.

Resolved further that the term of her appointment in the University be deemed as terminated w. e. f. 20-8-81 A. N

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.12. Recognition as supervising guide - application of Dr. M. J. Sebastian - reg.

The Syndicate considered the question of recognising Dr. M. J. Sebastian, Dean, College of Fisheries, Panangad, as a supervising guide along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff & Establishment.

Resolved that the matter be deferred pending consideration of the request of the Kerala Agricultural University for recognition of the College of Fisheries, Panangad, as a Centre for research.

(Ac.)

Item No. 161.13. Ph. D. Thesis submitted by Shri C. P. Gopinathan - adjudication - Reg.

The Syndicate considered the question of appointing examiners for adjudicating the Ph. D. thesis entitled: "Studies on Phytoplankton in Estuarine and Marine Environments," submitted by Shri C. P. Gopinathan, Part-time scholar under the supervision of Dr. P. V. Ramachandran Nair, CMFRI, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that the following members from the panel of experts be appointed external examiners for adjudicating the thesis.

Sl. No. 1 (Chairman)

Sl. No. 6

Sl. No. 5 (reserve)

(Exam.)

Item No. 161.14. Starting of a Central University in South India.

The Syndicate considered formulating its views on the starting of a central university in Kerala, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that a reasoned note justifying the establishment of a Central University in Kerala be sent to the Government of Kerala.

(Ac.)

Item No. 161.15. Exceptions to the correctness of the Minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 28-11-1981 taken by Dr. Paul A. Vatakencherry and Shri P. K. Kamarudeen - reg.

The Syndicate considered the exceptions to the correctness of the Minutes of the meeting of the Senate held on 28-11-1981 taken by Dr. Paul A. Vatakencherry and Shri P. K. Kamarudeen, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that the exceptions to the correctness of the Minutes taken by the two senators be placed before the senate for confirmation/correction.

(Conf.)

Item No. 161.16. Adjudication of the Ph. D. thesis submitted by Shri K. K. Velukutty - appointment of examiners - Reg.

The Syndicate considered the question of appointing examiners for adjudicating the Ph. D. Thesis: "Some problems of Discrete Function Theory," submitted by Shri K. K. Velukutty, under the supervision of Dr. Wazier Hassan Abdi, Head of the Department of Mathematics, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that the following external examiners from the panel of experts be appointed for adjudication of the thesis.

Sl. No. 1 (Chairman)

Sl. No. 5

Sl. No. 4 (reserve)

(Exam.)

Item No. 161.17. Adjudication of Ph. D. thesis submitted by Shri C. Thankappan Pillai - appointment of Examiners - Reg.

The Syndicate considered the question of appointing examiners for adjudicating the Ph. D. thesis : " Studies on finfish and shell fish Diseases," submitted by Shri C. Thankappan Pillai, under the supervision of Dr. E. G. Silas, Director, CMFRI, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that the following external examiners from the panel of experts be appointed for adjudicating the thesis

Sl. No. 4 (Chairman)

Sl. No. 3

Sl. No. 1 (reserve)

(Exam.)

Item No. 161.18. Ph. D. Thesis submitted by Shri P. R. Wilson- reports of examiners - consideration of.

The Syndicate considered the reports of the examiners and the consolidated report of the Chairman, Board of Examiners, on Shri P. R. Wilson's Ph. D. thesis : " Financial planning and control in public sector undertakings in Kerala," prepared under the supervision of Dr. K. Nanukuttan Nair, Reader, School of Management Studies, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that Shri P. R. Wilson be awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy under the faculty of Social Sciences (Exam.)

Item No. 161.19. Ph. D. Thesis submitted by Shri E. J. Zacharia - Reports of Examiners - consideration of.

The Syndicate considered the report of the examiners and the consolidated report of the Chairman, Board of Examiners, on Shri E. J. Zacharia's Ph. D. thesis : " Corrugated flange Technique for Beam shaping of Sectoral Electromagnetic Horn Antennas," prepared under the supervision of Dr. K. Gopalakrishnan Nair, Head of the Department of Electronics, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that Shri E. J. Zacharia be awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy under the faculty of Science.

(Exam.)

Item No. 161.20. Faculty of Humanities - request for change of supervising guide - reg.

The Syndicate considered the proposal for change of Shri A. R. Chandragadan's present supervising guide Dr. N. E. Viswanatha Iyer and have instead Dr. N. Raman Nair, Head of the Department of Hindi, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that Shri A. R. Chandragadan, Part-time research scholar, Department of Hindi, be permitted to have Dr. N. Raman Nair as his new supervising guide.

(Ac.)

Item No. 161.21. Recognition of supervising guides - applications - consideration of.

The Syndicate considered the several applications for recognition as supervising guides under the University, along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved :

- (i) Dr. Paul Raj, Scientist S-2, CMFRI, and Dr. P. Vedavyasa Rao, Scientist, S-3, CMFRI be recognized as supervising guides under the Faculty of Marine Sciences.
- (ii) Dr. P. J. George, Principal, College of Engineering Trivandrum, be requested to apply for recognition through proper channel.

(Ac.)

Item No. 161.22. Board of Studies in Polymer Science and Rubber Technology - Nomination of additional member - reg.

The Syndicate considered the proposal to have Prof. N. Subramanian, Polymer Engineering Division, Chemical Engineering Department, I. I. T., Madras, appointed as member of the Board of Studies in Polymer Science and Rubber Technology along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that Prof. N. Subramanian I. I. T., Madras, be appointed member of the Board of Studies in Polymer Science and Rubber Technology for the rest of the term of the present board.

(Ac.)

Item No. 161.23. Registration for research - applications - consideration of.

The Syndicate considered the several applications for registration for research along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters.

Resolved that the following candidates be granted registration for research.

| Name of the candidate | Supervisor | Topic | Recommendation of the committee |
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| 1. Sajan K. (full-time) | Dr. R. Damodaran Dept. of Marine Sciences | " Studies on the clays and associated sediments including carbonates in some selected Estuaries and backwaters of Kerala " | The candidate may be called in six months to review the programme of work. |
| 2. Venugopalan, P. (Full-time) | Dr. G. S. Sharma (Dept. of Marine Sciences) | " Studies on Sound Propagation in the Sea " | The candidate may be called in six months to review the programme of work |
| 3. Kuriakose P. I. (Full-time) | Dr. Joy George (Dept. of Physics) | " Growth and characterisation of certain crystals " | Nil |

(Ac.)

Item No. 161.24. Arrangement of Guest lectures for the 1st and 3rd semester LL. M. Students - reg.

The Syndicate considered the proposal of the Head of the Department of Law for engaging guest lecturers for LL. M. first and 3rd semester students, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academic matters.

Resolved:

- (i) The Vice-Chancellor / Pro-Vice-Chancellor may examine the proposal in the light of the actual requirements of the Department and the existing distribution of work among the staff and take appropriate action.
- (ii) Heads of Departments be requested not to introduce any new courses / specializations without the prior sanction of the Syndicate.
- (iii) Efforts be resumed on an urgent basis for fixing the work norms of teachers of the University.

Item No. 161.25. Conducting experiments in the University Laboratories - request of M/s. Cochin Pharmaceutical Chemicals reg

Deferred, pending the framing of detailed rules on the subject.

(Ac)

Item No. 161.26. University Hostels - enhancement of ad hoc grant - consideration of.

Deferred.

(Gl. Admn.)

Item No. 161.27. Announcement of courses for 1981-82 - advertisement charges - payment - reg.

The Syndicate considered sanctioning payment of a sum of Rs. 35,155.25 to M/s. Advertising & Sales Promotion Company Ltd., towards advertisement charges in respect of the announcement of courses for 1981-82, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Finance and Purchase.

Resolved that payment be sanctioned.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.28. Advertisement of posts of Asst. Grade II and L. D. Typist - Payment of charges - reg.

The Syndicate considered sanctioning payment of a sum of Rs. 10,825.23 to M/s. Advertising & Sales Promotion Company towards advertisement charges in respect of the notification of the posts of Asst. Grade II and Typist, Steno, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Finance.

Resolved that payment be sanctioned.

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.29. Construction of Administrative Office - Block - Assistance from Government - requirement of additional grant - in aid - reg.

The Syndicate noted that action has already been taken on the basis of the resolution adopted as per Item No. 160.03 dated 14-1-1982.

(Pl.)

Item No. 161.30. Works - Procurement of Steel from open market - advance sanctioned by the Vice-Chancellor - reporting of.

The Syndicate considered the action of the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the purchase of 37 tonnes of steel from the open market at a cost of Rs. 1,92,400/- for the Administrative Block, along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Works.

Resolved that the action of the Vice-Chancellor be ratified.

(Pl.)

Item No. 161.31. Administrative arrangements consequent on suspension until further orders of Shri V. Chellappa Panicker, Dy. Registrar (Audit, Finance & Accounts) - consideration of.

The Syndicate considered the question of making suitable administrative arrangements for discharging the administrative financial and statutory functions and duties of the Office of Dy. Registrar (Audit, Finance & Accounts) now vacant owing to the suspension pending criminal proceedings of Shri V. Chellappa Panicker, in the context of the decision of the Syndicate dated 1-10-1981, vide Item No. 156.03 creating a supernumerary post of Dy. Registrar for special recruitment for SC/ST communities to be adjusted against the next regular vacancy.

Resolved:

- i. The supernumerary post of Dy Registrar created for special recruitment be abolished in view of the occurrence of a regular vacancy of Dy. Registrar and the regular vacancy of Dy. Registrar be earmarked for special recruitment for SC/ST communities, and the post advertised as such and filled early,
- ii. Pending the filling of the post of Dy. Registrar through special recruitment, the senior most eligible

Assistant Registrar be put in full additional charge of the office of Dy. Registrar (Audit, Finance & Accounts).

(Ad.)

Item No. 161.32. Dept. of Ship Technology - extension of the term of appointment of temporary lecturers - reg.

The Syndicate considered the proposal of the Head of the Department of Ship Technology for extension of the term of appointment of the eight temporary lecturers of the Department.

Resolved that the following temporary lecturers of the Department of Ship Technology be given reappointment for a period of six months (w. e. f the date of expiry of their present term of appointment), or till the posts are regularly filled up, whichever is earlier.

1. Shri N. Krishnakumar
2. .. S. K. Pyarilal
3. .. V. Ananthasubramaniam
4. .. K. P. Narayanan
5. .. M. Nasar
6. .. V. Madan
7. .. Ajith Gangadharan
8. .. P. Krishnankutty

(Ad.)

The meeting came to an end at 6.30 p. m.

Sd/-

REGISTRAR

Tripunithura
10-2-1982.