

COCHIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Minutes of the 366th (Special) meeting of the Syndicate
held on December 30, 1995

Place of the meeting : Administrative Buildings
Cochin - 682 022.

Time : 10.30 a. m.

Members present:

1. Dr K. G. Adiyodi,
Vice-Chancellor (in the Chair)
2. Shri V. J Pappoo
Pro - Vice - Chancellor
3. Shri. K. K. Gopalakrishnan
4. Dr. P. Leelakrishnan
5. Shri. P. N Prasannakumar
6. Prof. P. Ramachandra Poduval
7. Ramachandra Memon
8. Dr. M. Shahul Hameed
9. Dr. N. Unnikrishnan Nair

Also present: Registrar

Item No. 366.01: Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting
of the Syndicate held on 21-12-1995
(365th).

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting of the
Syndicate held on 21-12-1995 (365th) be confirmed subject to
the following emendations.

1. The following be added as the second resolution under item 365 11.

"Resolved further that in view of the huge expenditure involved it is proposed that the total number of staff be reduced substantially and the views of the Syndicate be conveyed to the Government through a D O letter."

2. The following words be added at the end of the resolution under item 365.26.

"Provided no redeployment is possible from amongst the staff in the School of Marine Sciences."

3. The word 'because' occurring in the third line of the resolution under item No. 365 29 be replaced with the word 'became'.

4. The Appendix III to item No 365 35 be modified as in Appendix I.

7. The word 'research' be prefixed to the word 'students' in the fourth resolution under item No. 365.36 and the following be recorded as the fifth resolution in the above item.

"Resolved also that five seats be allotted for the LL B. students."

(Conf.)

Item No.366 02: The matters relating to the conduct of new B.Tech. courses proposed to be organised on self-financing basis-Reg.

The Syndicate discussed in detail the various aspects relating to starting of the B Tech. degree programmes on self-financing basis in the context of the observation in the report submitted by the AICTE and the eventual judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in this regard. The Syndicate also took stock of the situation calling for urgent and immediate action for protecting the academic career of the large number of students who have been admitted to the

various B.Tech. degree programmes. Concluding the discussions, the Syndicate resolved as under:

- (i) A Sub - Committee of the Syndicate consisting of Shri V J. Pappoo, Pro-Vice Chancellor; Shri Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan and Shri P. N. Prasannakumar be deputed to New Delhi for the conduct of the B.Tech. degree programmes to apprise the AICTE of the facilities acquired after the visit of the AICTE team.
- (ii) An appeal petition challenging the judgement of the single judge lifting the stay partially be filed before the Division Bench of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala.
- (iii) The date of commencement of the classes for the B Tech degree programmes in Electronics and Communication Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering be decided based on the outcome of the appeal proposed to be filed before the Division Bench against the partial lifting of the stay order by the Single Bench of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, or based on a judgement of the situation from time to time by the Syndicate.
- (iv) Action for acquiring additional physical facilities for for start in the B Tech degree programmes be taken up on top priority and the Vice Chancellor be authorised to take appropriate decision in the matter.
- [v] The Vice - Chancellor be delegated with powers for the following:-
 - a] Acquiring of equipments and other facilities for the conduct of the course.
 - b] Appointment of teaching/technical/security staff on contract/ad hoc or on deputation basis.
 - c] Augmenting library facilities including purchase of books.
 - d] Entrusting of construction work of laboratories and workshops and any other physical facilities to KEL or any other Government agencies.

- e] Purchase of furniture for the class rooms and laboratories.
- f] To fix up rent of the private buildings to be acquired for the conduct of classes.
- [vi] The Vice-Chancellor be also authorised to exercise such other powers as are necessary and expedient for the conduct of the courses.
- [vii] The Committee of the Syndicate meeting the officials of the AICTE be requested to apprise the AICTE of the necessity of admitting 450 students selected from the rank list based on the Combined Entrance Test conducted by the Government of Kerala.
- [viii] The students admitted to the B.Tech degree programme under self-financing scheme be required to remit a caution deposit of Rs. 1,00,000/ each in the light of the verdict of the Supreme Court upholding the decision of the Government of Kerala in the matter.
- [ix] The AICTE be requested to review its decision regarding the number of seats allotted for each course.
- [x] The Board of Studies in Engineering [U G] and the Faculty of Engineering be enlarged by inducting the member as shown below:

Additional members nominated to the Board of Studies in Engineering [U G]

- 1 Dr Paulose Jacob
- 2 Dr. E. M. Somasekharan Nair
- 3 Dr. S. Sasikumaran
- 4 Dr. C S Sridhar

Additional members nominated to the Faculty of Engineering

- 1 Dr. B. Narayanan Nair
- 2 Dr. K. B. M. Namboodiripad
- 3 Mr. David Peter S

Arising out of discussion, the Syndicate resolved to express its feeling that the AICTE Committee has treated the University as a private Institution and majority of the points raised by the Committee are applicable to private technical institutions and not to a University.

The Syndicate also noted with satisfaction the steps taken by the University to make the class rooms in the rented building sound proof and to make use of additional class rooms and laboratories available in the different technology departments.

Item No. 366 03 : Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the University
Reg.

The Syndicate considered the proposal for taking up various activities as part of celebration of Silver Jubilee of the University.

The Syndicate also took note of the report of the Vice-Chancellor that Shri Karunakaran Union Minister for Industries has agreed to inaugurate the ISRDAT in January, 1996

The Syndicate also noted the report of the Vice-Chancellor for that Shri Karunakaran will lay the foundation stone for the building of ISRDAT and the International School of Photonics, and that the Minister for Education and the local MLA, and the Member of Parliament will also participate in the function.

The Syndicate again noted the report of the Vice-Chancellor that the Chief Minister and the Minister of Education, Government of Kerala have agreed to meet the members of the Dutch Delegation on 27-1-1996 at 8 30 a m

The meeting came to an end at 2 40 p m.

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January 3, 1996.

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Appendix to Item No. 366.01 (4)

Report of the Committee

The Committee considered the minutes of the meeting of Academic Council and the answers to the questionnaire circulated among the teachers.

Of the 91 teachers who have expressed the opinions, 72 favoured restructuring, 15 were against and 4 had no opinion on the issue. The Department-wise views on the type of structure each desired to have and the UGC guidelines were examined. On the academic interests of the University and with a view to ensuring spontaneous growth and diversification of disciplines academic restructuring on the following lines are suggested:

- a) Schools with Departments
- b) Schools with different areas of study
- c) Independent Departments

The suggestions for merging Departments into a School and branching out Schools into Departments with different areas need only be considered at later stage. All existing divisions/those disciplines which had early the status of a Division are to be unorganised as Departments. The two existing Departments of Hindi and Foreign Languages are to be restructured into a School as the development and comparative study of different languages under a single structure would be more useful and be a catalyst for development.

Accordingly, the structure recommended is

Faculty	School/Department	Courses
Engineering	School of Engineering	M.Tech. Civil, Mechanical, Electrical, Chemical, PG Diploma in Construction Engg.

Dept. of Civil Engg.	B. Tech. in Civil Engineering.
Dept. of Mech. Engg	B. Tech. in Mech. Engineering.
Environmental School of Environmental Studies	M.Sc. Environmental Studies; Ph.D.
Humanities: School of Languages	
a) Dept. of Foreign Languages	Certificate courses in German, Russian, French; Diploma courses in German, Russian
b) Department of Hindi	M.S. Hindi, M.Phil, PG Dip. in Translation, Functional Hindi
Law School of Legal Studies	LL.B, LL. M, Ph.D and DLL.
Marine Sciences	1. School of Marine Sciences
a) Dept. of Chemical Oceanography	M.Phil. Chemical Oceanography
b) Dept. of Marine Biology, Microbiology & Biochemistry	M.Sc. Marine Biology, Ph.D
c) Dept. of Marine Geology and Geophysics	M.Sc. Marine Geology, M. Tech. (M.G. Phy), Ph.D
d) Dept. of Meteorology and Atmospheric Science	M. Sc. meteorology, M.Tech. (At.Sc.), Ph.D.

- e) Dept of Physical Oceanography M.Sc. Oceanography
2 School of Industrial Fisheries M.Sc Ind Fisheries, Ph.D.
Fisheries
- Science a) Dept. of Applied Chemistry M.Sc. Appl. Chemistry, M. Phil. Chemistry, M.Tech. (Ind Catalysis) Ph.D.
- b) Dept. of Biotechnology M.Sc., Ph.D.
- c) Dept. of Mathematics M. Sc. Maths, M.Sc. OR & CA, M. Phil., Ph.D.
- d) Dept. of Physics M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D.
- e) Dept. of Statistics M.Sc. M.Phil., Ph.D.
- Social Science 1. School of Management Studies MBA [FT&PT] Diploma in Export Management, Ph.D.
- Sciences 2. School of Social Sciences
a) Dept. of Applied Eco. M.Phil., Ph.D.
b) Dept. of Commerce M. Phil., Ph.D.
- Technology a) Dept. of Electronics M.Sc., M.Tech., Ph.D., B.Tech. Electronics & Communication Engg. [interdisciplinary under Faculty of Engg.] Ph.D.
- b) Dept. of Instrumentation PG Diploma
- c) Dept. of Polymer Science and Rubber Technology B.Tech [FT & PT], M.Tech, Ph.D.

- d) Dept of Ship Technology B. Tech, [NA & SB]; Computer Aided Design and Manufacture. M. Tech.
1. International School of Photonics M.Tech [Opto. Electronics], Ph.D.
2. School of Computer Science Studies
a) Dept of Computer Applications MCA
b) Dept. of Computer Technology B.Tech. Computer Science
c) Dept. of Information Technology B.Tech. Information Technology [interdisciplinary under Faculty of Engg.]

Sd/-

[Dr. N. Unnikrishnan Nair]

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