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COCHIN UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

MINUTES OF THE 378TH MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE  
HELD ON 1-2-1997

CONFIRMED

Place of meeting : Administrative Buildings,  
Kochi - 682 022.

Time : 10.30 A.M.

Members present:

1. Dr. N. Babu  
Vice Chancellor. (in the Chair)
2. Sri. V.J. Pappoo,  
Pro-Vice-Chancellor.
3. Dr. M.P. Chandrasekharan
4. Dr. A. Mohandas
5. Dr. K. Sivaraman
6. Dr. M. Shahul Hameed
7. Dr. P. Leelakrishnan
8. Sri. K.K. Gopalakrishnan
9. Sri. M.A. Thomas, M.L.A.
10. Dr. K.C. Joseph, M.L.A.
11. Sri. P.N. Prasanna Kumar
12. Sri. T.A. Ahmad Kabir
13. Sri. P. Radhakrishnan

Also present : Dr. K.G. Balakrishnan, Registrar.

Item No.378.01 : Confirmation of the minutes of the meetings  
of the Syndicate held on 13-1-1997 (376th)  
and 17-1-1997 (377th).

The minutes of the meetings of the Syndicate held  
on 13-1-1997 (376th) and 17-1-1997 (377th) were confirmed  
subject to the following emendations:

376th meeting of the Syndicate held on 13-1-1997

i) In item No.376.01 - Confirmation of Minutes of the  
meeting of the Syndicate held on 21-12-1996 (375th) - in the  
emendation suggested under Sl. No.3 (decision under item  
No.375.50) last paragraph of the resolution be replaced with  
the following:

"Resolved further that the construction of other  
two buildings for International School of Photonics and  
International School of Rural Development Appropriate Tech-  
nology will be taken up after getting the report of the  
sub committee constituted to evaluate the working of the  
International Schools".

ii) In item No.376.03 first paragraph of the resolution be modified as follows:

"Resolved that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor be ratified. Resolved further that modifications, if any, suggested by a Sub Committee of the Syndicate consisting of the following members:

1. Dr. M. Shahul Hameed
2. Dr. A. Mohandas
3. Dr. K.G. Nair
4. Dr. P. Leelakrishnan
5. Dr. K.C. Joseph, M.L.A.
6. Sri. P.N. Prasannakumar
7. Sri. M.A. Thomas, M.L.A.

Dr. P. Leelakrishnan be the Convener of the Committee."

iii) The last resolution on page 22 be replaced as follows:

"The Syndicate then considered the report of the meeting of the evaluation committee constituted to assess the suitability of Sri. K. Gopi Menon, Technician V of USIC for promotion as Technical Officer I".

Resolved that the report of the Committee be accepted.

After confirmation of the minutes, Sri. M.A. Thomas, MLA raised the issue of a representation submitted by the Students of the Diploma Course in Export Management requesting that the present Diploma Course be converted to a Master's Programme, and the present diploma students be given opportunity to continue the course. The Syndicate considered the above matter and resolved that the matter be placed in the meeting of the Board of Studies in Management for its recommendation.

"After the above discussion, Dr. P. Leelakrishnan, Member, Syndicate raised the matter of continuing the Library facilities of the Departmental Libraries for the Teachers of this University who have retired from service of the University.

The Syndicate resolved that the Library facilities of the Departmental Libraries be extended to the retired teachers of this University on the same conditions for which the memberships of the University Central Library are given to outsiders".

Item No.378.02 : Report of the Vice Chancellor on important developments in the University since the last meeting.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 17-1-1997 had resolved to confer the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) on Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.M. Ahmadi, Chief Justice of India. All arrangements have been made for the conduct of the special convocation to be held in the afternoon of 1st February 1997. His Excellency Mr. Justice Sukhdev Singh Kang (Retd.), the Chancellor of the University has agreed to award the degree to Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.M. Ahmadi and deliver the convocation address. Sri. P.J. Joseph, Hon'ble Minister for Education and Works and Pro-Chancellor of the University will deliver a special address on that occasion.

The Fourth Asian Fisheries Forum was conducted in Kochi by the School of Marine Sciences with the assistance of the School of Industrial Fisheries and School of Environmental Studies during the last week of November 1996.

The Pro-Vice-Chancellor said that during the discussions he had with the State Planning Board Officers, it was agreed upon that a sum of Rs.4 crores towards annual plan grant and Rs.100 lakhs towards special assistance for MHO programme will be provided to the University.

Item No.378.03: Senate meeting to be held on 12-2-1997 - Questions asked by the members of the Senate and answers thereto by the Syndicate - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered the draft answers to the question to be answered on the floor of the Senate scheduled for 12-2-1997 and the proposal for assigning questions among the members of the Syndicate for answering supplementaries.

Resolved that the answers to the questions asked by the members of the Senate be answered on the floor.

(Conf.)

Item No.378.04: Repairs and maintenance to the Teachers' Hostel "Savannah" in the Thrikkakara Campus.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Works, the proposal of the University Engineer for complete repair and maintenance of the teachers' hostel Savannah at an estimated cost of Rs.2,10,000/-.

Resolved that the estimate be approved meeting the expenditure from the head of account "2. Non-Plan-97. Works-T-4. Others-999. Minor Works".

Arising out of the discussions on the above item some members expressed anguish on the high cost of tendering in the University. It has been observed that the contractors who are offering the tenders are limited to one or two. The members opined that the panel of contractors for offering quotation for works more than estimated cost of Rs.1 lakh may be revised every year. The Syndicate resolved that a separate note in this regard be brought in the next meeting of the Syndicate as an agenda item.

(Pl.A)

Item No.378.05: University teachers - Interim relief sanctioned in tune with the Government order sanctioning I.R. to State Government employees - Objection from Government Auditor and State Government - Consideration of.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees on Staff and Establishment, and Finance and Purchase, the matter of payment of interim relief sanctioned by the Government to the teachers, non-teaching staff who are drawing UGC/AICTE scales of pay in the light of the objections raised by the Government Auditor/State Government.

Resolved that the interim relief sanctioned by the State Government be sanctioned also to the teachers/non-teaching staff who are drawing UGC/AICTE scales of pay.

It was further resolved that all correspondence to State Government should go through the Registrar, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor.

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Item No.378.06 : CAT 1995 - Adjustment of advance drawn - Report to Syndicate.

The Syndicate noted the details of amount of advance drawn for the conduct of the CAT 1995 and spent for the purpose.

(IRAA Unit)

Item No.378.07 : Department of Physics - Purchase of laser measurement kit - Advance sanction - Reg.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Finance and Purchase, the request of the Head of the Department of Physics to sanction purchase of one advanced laser measurement kit.

Resolved that the request of the Head of the Department of Physics for purchase of one number advanced laser measurement kit (kit for 15 advanced experiments with 29 items and one He-Ne Laser (Red)-5 mw (polarised) with power supply at a total cost of Rs.52,400/- (Rupees fifty two thousand four hundred only) which includes taxes, delivery and demonstrative charges, from M/s. Optochem International, 19/15-1, West Moti Bagh, Opp: Police Station, Sarai Rohilla (Fly-over), Delhi-110 035 be sanctioned, and he may be permitted to draw the amount as advance debiting the amount to "1-59-0-Q-2-104-Purchase of Other Equipments - Plan" provided in the budget. It was further resolved that the payment be released to the supplier only after proper installation, testing and commissioning of the equipment, to the satisfaction of the Head of the Department of Physics.

(P.L.A)

Item No. 378.08 : University teachers - Norms promotion as Professor by upgradation - Request of Dr. K. George Varghese, Reader, School of Management Studies for consideration of.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committees on Academic Matters, Staff and Establishment, and Finance and Purchase, the proposal for granting promotion to Dr. K. George Varghese, Reader, School of Management Studies as Professor under norms promotion scheme.

Resolved that Dr. K. George Varghese, Reader, School of Management Studies be granted promotion as Professor, in the scale of pay of Rs.4500-5700 by upgrading the post held by him w.e.f. 12-3-1994 and the proposal be placed before the Academic Council for instituting the post.

Item No. 378.09 : M.Sc. Degree Second Semester Examination in Physics, November 1996. (Ad.D)

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Academic Matters, the request of Sri. Ravikumar, C.D., Second Semester M.Sc. student of Department of Physics, CUSAT, for condonation of shortage of attendance due to sickness.

Resolved that the shortage of attendance in respect of Sri. Ravikumar, C.D. second semester student of the Department of Physics be condoned.

Item No. 378.10 : Change of designation - Request from Sri. O.S. Mohammed Hashim, Assistant Registrar and P.A. to Pro-Vice-Chancellor - Consideration of. (Exam.)

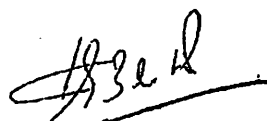
The Syndicate considered along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Staff and Establishment, the request of Shri. O.S. Mohammed Hashim, Assistant Registrar and P.A. to Pro-Vice-Chancellor to redesignate him as P.S. to Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

Resolved that the P.A. to Pro-Vice-Chancellor be redesignated as P.S. to Pro-Vice-Chancellor w.e.f. 1-2-1997.

(Ad.A)

Items 378.11 to 378.18 were deferred for consideration in the next meeting.

The meeting terminated at 12.00 noon.



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