



MINUTES
OF
110th MEETING (SPECIAL)
OF THE
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON
23rd FEBRUARY 2017 AT 02.00 P.M.
AT HEMANGA BISWAS COMMITTEE ROOM OF
THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S SECRETARIAT

ASSAM UNIVERSITY
(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT
OF PARLIAMENT)
SILCHAR



Assam University, Silchar

**Minutes of the 110th Meeting (Special) of the Executive Council
held on the 23rd February, 2017 at 02.00 p.m. in the Conference Room
of the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat, Assam University, Silchar**

Members present :

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| 1. Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath, Vice-Chancellor | : Chairman |
| 2. Prof. Ramesh C. Deka, Visitor's Nominee | : Member |
| 3. Prof. Indira Nath, Visitor's Nominee | : Member |
| 4. Prof. Sanjib Das, Dean, School of Medical & Pharmaceutical Sc. | : Member |
| 5. Prof. Sudipto Roy, Dean, School of Technology | : Member |
| 6. Prof. Nagendra Pandey, Dean, School of Earth Sciences | : Member |
| 7. Prof. A. Mazumder, Dean, School of Management | : Member |
| 8. Prof. N. N. Pandey, Professor, Dept. of Education | : Member |
| 9. Dr. Mortuja Hussain, Principal, N. C. College, Badarpur | : Member |
| 10. Prof. Sumanash Dutta, Finance Officer i/c | : Permanent Invitee |
| 11. Mr. Debasish Chakraborty, President, AUNTEA | : Special Invitee |
| 12. Prof. Samira Behera, Representative of SC/ST | : Special Invitee |
| 13. Dr. Shahin Ara Begum, President, AUTA | : Special Invitee |
| 14. Dr. Sanjib Bhattacharjee, Registrar | : Ex-officio Secretary |

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the Members. The Chairman expressed thanks to Prof. Indira Nath, Visitor's Nominee for attending the meeting at Silchar for the first time. The Chairman also expressed thanks to Prof. Anil Kumar Goswami, Visitor's Nominee and the new member Prof. Sudipto Roy. Thereafter, the meeting formally started.

Item No. 1 : Convocation for the year 2015 and 2016 :

EC:110:02-17:1 : The Controller of Examinations has proposed to hold the 15th Convocation of the University for the years 2015 and 2016 on 15th March 2017.

The degrees that will be conferred in the 15th Convocation are as follows:

1. MPhil and PhD degrees awarded after 16.11.2014 and on or before 24.01.2017
2. Post Graduate, Integrated, Diploma, B Ed, LLB and Three Year Degree Courses (BA, BSc, BCom, BBA, BCA) completed in any of the four exams:
 - a. Odd Semester Examination 2014
 - b. Even Semester Examination 2015
 - c. Odd Semester Examination 2015
 - d. Even Semester Examination 2016
 - e. Annual Examination 2014 & 2015
3. MBBS Course completed (including Rotatory Internship Programme) in 2014 & 2015.

Numbers of applications received for 15th Convocation :

Bachelor of Arts	557
BBA	05
B. Com.	357
B. Sc.	282
BCA	02
B. Ed.	145
B. Pharma	26
Bachelor of Science {Computer Science (Integrated)}	38
Master of Science - Computer Science (Integrated)	43
Bachelor of Science - (Honours) - B. Ed.	03
Bachelor of Social Work (Integrated)	54
Master of Social Work (Integrated)	53
Bachelor of Technology	66
Master of Technology	16
Bachelor of Visual Arts (Integrated)	43
Master of Visual Arts (Integrated)	31
LL. B. (College)	33
Bachelor of Arts (Honours)- LLB	43
M. Phil	38
Master of Arts	533
Master of Business Administration	69
Master of Commerce	108

Master of Education	16
Master of Law	28
Master of Library & Info. Science	05
Master of Mass communication	32
Master of Science	310
MBBS	57
PGDBI (Dept. of Life Sc. & Bio-informatics)	01
PGDMM (Dept. of Commerce)	08
PGDTM (Dept. of Ecology & Env. Sc)	04
Ph. D	397
MEPM (Dept. of Education)	01
Total	3404

The proposal was accepted by the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council vide No. AC:77:02-17.01 and the issue is placed before the Executive Council for formal approval.

Resolution : The recommendation of the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council for conferring the degrees in 15th Convocation was approved by the Executive Council.

Item No. 2 : Adoption of University Grants Commission (minimum qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic staff in universities and colleges and measures for the maintenance of standards in higher education) 4th amendment, Regulations, 2016.

EC:110:02-17:2 : The Committee constituted by the Vice Chancellor vide notification No 104/19//2012-ESTT/Part-IV/1111-15 dated 2.11.2016 for examining UGC's Regulations 2016 relating to "Minimum Qualification for Appointment of Teachers and Other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education (4th Amendment)" held on 7th December, 2016 has recommend the following:

1. The University to follow the provisions of the 4th amendment as per which the claims for promotion under the scheme may be considered from the date of promulgation of the 4th amendment of UGC Regulations, 2016 i.e., 11th July, 2016.
2. "Tables-I,II(A),II(B),III,IV,V(A),V(B),VI,VII,VIII(A), VIII(B) and IX of Appendix-III of the University Grants Commission (Minimum qualifications for appointment of Teachers and other academic staff in Universities and Colleges and other measures for the maintenance of standards in higher education) (3rdAmendment) Regulations, 2016 shall be substituted with

Appendix-III : Tables-I,II(A),II(B),III,IV,V(A),V(B),VI,VII,VIII(A), VIII(B) and IX appended to the 4th Amendment Regulations 2016."

3. While considering the cases the University shall stick to the provision regarding publications in the journal notified by the UGC/identified by the university, subject wise through subject experts committee and approved by the UGC's standing committee on the matter.

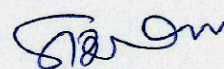
The proposal was reported to the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council vide No. AC:77:02-17.02 and after the discussion it was resolved that amended Regulations would be applied in the case of direct recruitment whereas in case of CAS current practice would continue till UGC approves the list of Journals proposed by the Assam University. For calculation of API in the cases where eligibility have been achieved procedure on the line of Para 6.3.0 of 2010 Regulations may be evolved. After the adoption of the Regulations, necessary amendment would be made in corresponding Ordinances under the Assam University Act.

The Academic Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The recommendation of the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council was perused by the members of the Executive Council and it was advised that the 5th line i.e, "For calculation of API in the cases where eligibility have been achieved procedure on the line of Para 6.3.0 of 2010 Regulations may be evolved" to be deleted. Further, the Chairman and the Vice Chancellor was authorised to correct the issue and to take necessary steps for doing the needful as per related Ordinance in existence.

Item No. 3 : Revised format of application for employment & PBAS Proforma :

EC:110:02-17:3 : The Committee constituted by the Vice Chancellor, vide notification No 104/01/2016-Rect dated 29/12/2016 has submitted its recommendation for changes in the Format of Application for Employment & PBAS Proforma in the light of 4th amendment of UGC Regulations, 2016, which has the approval of the competent authority. Further, the matter was placed before the 109th meeting of the Executive Council and the Council deferred the issue for time being and advised the University administration for placement before the Academic Council. A copy of the relevant papers is placed with the Chairman of the Academic Council for perusal.



The proposal was reported to the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council vide No. AC:77:02-17.03 and the Council resolved that the proforma developed by the IQAC as modified in consultation with faculty members may be adopted.

The Academic Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The recommendation of the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council was considered by the members and the suggestions of the members as accepted by the Council authorizing the Vice Chancellor and the Chairman to take necessary action on the basis of documents/records to be provided by the Director, IQAC and the Recruitment Cell.

Item No. 4 : Minutes of BOG of School of Technology :

EC:110:02-17:4 : The 109th meeting of the Executive Council constituted a Committee to submit a report relating to the contents of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th meeting of the BOG under TSSOT and the issues required to be discussed in the Academic Council as per the report are placed for consideration. These are regarding :

Agenda - 1 : Academic Calendar and syllabus and examinations under new CBCS.

Agenda - 2 : Ph.D. related matters.

Agenda - 3 : Admission Criteria &

Agenda - 4 : Composition of Board of Research & Studies in TSSOT.

The proposal was reported to the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council vide No. AC:77:02-17.04 and the Council resolved that point 1.1 (Academic calendar for TSSOT), 1.2 (proposed CBCS), 1.3 (Examination patterns under new CBCS for TSSOT), 2.1 (Panel of Examiners for Ph.D), 2.2 (Extension of time for submission of Ph.D thesis), 2.3 (Ph.D. Re-Registration cases and 2.4 (Ph.D. Provisional Registration were ratified considering that these are the two years old cases.

In the matter of awarding Ph.D. degree (Point 2.5) members expressed serious concern about the status of BOG according to Assam University Act, Statute & Ordinances. However, after threadbare discussion the matter is deferred for time being and the members were in the opinion that the entire issue concerning TSSOT needs further enquiry for which a high level Committee will be constituted by the Vice Chancellor and the report shall be placed in subsequent AC and EC.

Agenda No 3 : Admission Criteria for M.Tech. in Agricultural Engineering was approved.

Agenda No. 4 : Composition of Board of Research & Studies in TSSOT : The matter was discussed at length and the members were in the opinion that the entire matter needs to be routed through BRS and then to Academic Council and Executive Council.

The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for consideration.

Resolution : The matter related to BOG as referred by the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council was approved by the Executive Council with the observation that word “enquiry” needs to be replaced by “examination”.

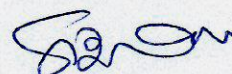
Item No. 5 : M.Phil. & Ph.D. Course Work :

EC:110:02-17:5 : The proposal was placed to the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council vide No. AC:77:02-17:08.1 and the Council resolved that (i) The matter of Structure of M.Phil & Ph.D course work were placed by the Chairman and the Council discussed in details and resolved that the M.Phil & Ph.D course work would comprise four papers (including term paper) of 4 credit each. The distribution of course will be (i) School level (Research Methodology - cover areas such as quantitative methods, computer applications, research ethics etc.) (ii) & (iii) Department level, and (iv) Term paper. Further M.Phil. dissertation would be of 16 credits. The contents of the syllabus would be placed in the BRS.

(ii) It was resolved that the students who were admitted under IPP system and have not registered so far, have to register themselves on or before May 2017. The arrear paper(s) examination will be held in the first week of April 2017 and the result will be published in the last week of April 2017. On receipt of the number of the students yet to be admitted in the course, the Council decided that on the super numeral numbers of scholar(s), if any, will be allowed subject to the approval by the competent authority. The respective supervisors will be allowed to take fresh students till they have regular vacancy in the prescribed number as per the new Regulations (UGC - 4th amendment) would be governed according to the provisions of Regulation 2009.

The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The recommendation of the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council was accepted by the Executive Council.



Item No. 6 : Draft Regulations for M.Phil and Ph.D. degree :

EC:110:02-17:6 : The proposal was placed to the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council vide No. **AC:77:02-17:08.2** and the Council resolved that the Draft Regulations for M. Phil. and Ph.D. prepared by the Committee constituted by the Vice Chancellor for the purpose. The members discussed the matter at length and it was resolved that the matters concerning award of degree and qualification for that can be governed through the Ordinances as provided under Section 28 of the A.U. Act. A Committee shall be constituted by the Vice Chancellor for formulating the Ordinance for M.Phil. and Ph.D. degrees.

It was resolved that Research Advisory Committee (RAC) as per draft AU Regulation formulated for M. Phil/ Ph. D 2017 would consist of Supervisor, an Expert and Head of the Department to perform functions as prescribed by the UGC Regulations.

Further it was also resolved that faculty members may submit their suggestions on line and necessary changes would be considered while finalizing the draft.

The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The recommendation of the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council was considered by the members and the Vice Chancellor was authorized to take necessary action for the same as per related Ordinance in existence.

Item No. 7 : Potential MoU between Assam University and the University of Malaya :

EC:110:02-17:7 : The proposal was placed to the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council vide No. **AC:77:02-17:08.3** and the Council resolved that the proposal for signing of MoU between Assam University and the University of Malaya as placed by the Chairman was agreed in principle and it was decided that the Vice Chancellor shall take necessary follow up action on the same.

The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The recommendation of the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council was approved by the Executive Council.



Item No. 8 : : Cooperation agreement between Heinrich Heine University Dusseldorf (Germany) and Assam University, Silchar (India) :

EC:110:02-17:8 : The proposal was placed to the 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council vide No. AC:77:02-17:08.4 and the Council resolved that the matter for Cooperation Agreement between Heinrich Heine University Dusseldorf (Germany) and Assam University, Silchar (India) to strengthen academic links and productive cooperation between the institutions/faculties/institutes and since all formalities were completed the matter was reported before the Council.

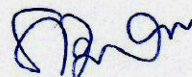
The Council noted the same and referred to the Executive Council for record.

Resolution : The 77th meeting (Special) of the Academic Council has considered the action taken for Cooperation Agreement between Heinrich Heine University Dusseldorf (Germany) and Assam University, Silchar (India) and the same was reported before the Council and the Executive Council noted the same.

Item No. 9 : Allotment of land to establish a Cultural Research Centre in Barak Valley to be named after the great Saint. Swami Vivekananda :

EC:110:02-17:9 : The Deputy Commissioner, Cachar has communicated the issue of establishing a Cultural Research Centre in Barak Valley to be named after the great Saint Swami Vivekananda and requested the University administration for allotting a plot of land within the University campus. The matter is initially accepted by the University and now placed before the Council (the letter of the DC, Cachar vide No. CRS.12/2016/23 dtd. 01.02.2017 placed at **Annexure - A**) for perusal and consideration by the Council.

Resolution : The communication of DC, Cachar for allotment of land to established a Cultural Research Centre in Barak Valley to be named after the great Saint Swami Vivekananda was perused by the Council and the Executive Council was agreed in principle for establishment of the Centre. It was also resolved that the AU administration shall take necessary action to get details from the District Administration for getting the things done.



Item No. 11 : Item from the Chair :

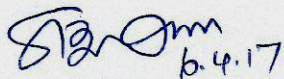
EC:110:02-17:11.1 : Appointment of Pro-Vice Chancellor at AUDC :

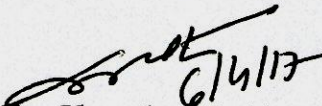
Resolution : The recommendation of the concerned committee constituted for the purpose was considered by the Council and it was resolved that Prof. Amalesh Bhawal, Dept. of Commerce, AUDC, shall act as the Pro-Vice Chancellor of the Diphu Campus of Assam University initially for a period of 02 years.

EC:110:02-17:11.2 : Grant of extension of joining time to CMA (Dr.) B. B. Mishra as Finance Officer :

Resolution : The request of CMA (Dr.) B. B. Mishra, for extension of joining time for the position of Finance Officer of Assam University till July 07, 2017 was considered by the Council.

There being no other item to discuss, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the Chair.


(Dr. Sanjib Bhattacharjee)
Ex-officio-Secretary
Executive Council
Assam University, Silchar


(Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath)
Vice Chancellor & Chairman
Executive Council
Assam University, Silchar