

ASSAM UNIVERSITY::SILCHAR

Minutes of the 133rd Meeting (Emergent) of the Executive Council held on 20.02.2020 at S M Ali Hall, Assam University, Silchar

An emergent meeting of the Executive Council with local members was held on 20.02.2020 to discuss issues relating to rustication order dated 08.02.2020 of Sri Milan Das, Research Scholar, Department of Ecology and Environmental Science and ICC related matter.

Members Present:

1. Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath, Vice-Chancellor : Chairman 2. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, PVC (Diphu Campus) : Member 3. Prof. Abhik Gupta, PVC (Silchar Campus) : Member 4. Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty : Member 5. Prof. Dipendu Das : Member 6. Prof. M K Sinha : Member 7. Prof. Geetika Bagchi : Member 8. Dr. P K Dev Sharma : Member 9. Dr. Baharul Islam Laskar : Member

10. Dr. Subhadeep Dhar, FO i/c : Permanent Invitee : Lx-Officio Secretary

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members present and asked the Registrar i/c to brief the members about the development on the issue of agitation and hunger strike of students that took place on 19th February 2020. The Chairman also asked PVC, Silchar Campus to apprise the Council on the issue. Accordingly both Registrar i/c and PVC (AUS) separately placed before the Council how since 19th February morning there were repeated reports of scuffle between two groups of students – agitators and their counter group who wanted to attend classes. The Registrar i/c also briefed the steps taken by University administration in this regard. Honourable MP, Silchar also arrived and finally under his initiative the problem was resolved after discussion with different groups of students in presence of administration at University guest house. The broad understanding of settlement was that the rustication order dated 8th February 2020 will be kept in abeyance subject to an undertaking and restrictions in movement of Sri Milan Das inside the campus and certain other commitments of good conduct during the period of his PhD research work. As PVC(AUS) and Registrar i/c was authorized by the Vice Chancellor in pursuance of the decision of 131st Emergent Meeting of the EC vide resolution no EC:131:02-20:02 dated 15.02.2020 to arrive at a meaningful discussion and solution to the matter; both of them opined that the outcome of the discussion is broadly acceptable but has to be placed to Executive Council for final direction. At about 9:30 PM on 19.02.2020, the agitation and hunger strike was finally called off.

Resolutions of the Meeting:

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EC:133:02-20:01: The Executive Council approved an outline of undertaking placed by Chairperson. The same has to be signed and submitted by Sri Milan Das, Research Scholar in presence of witness(s) for keeping the rustication order in abeyance.

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EC:133:02-20:02: Subject to submission of undertaking as directed by Executive Council as above by Mr. Milan Das, Research Scholar, Deptt. Of Ecology and Environmental Sciences, Assam University, the EC has decided to keep in abeyance the order of rustication of Sri Milan Das, Research Scholar, Department of Ecology and Environmental Sciences issued vide F.NO.AUR/21-1/2020/V dated 08.02.2020 till 31st May 2020 on following additional conditions:

- 1. Compliance of good conduct by Sri Milan Das, Research Scholar subject to satisfaction of VC during the period of PhD Research.
- 2. Limited access/entry to University campus during office hours only. Limited access hereby means that he cannot enter into any hostel compound and other Academic and Administrative building/compound of the University other than Department of Ecology and Environmental Sciences; Central Library and Health Centre of the University without prior permission of the University authority. For entry into such restricted areas for Sri Milan Das as mentioned above. he shall have to intimate the reasons thereof and time required for the activity and obtain prior permission from competent authority through his PhD Research guide and DSW.
- 3. On the basis of views obtained from Dr. Arunjyoti Nath, Assistant Professor and Research guide of Sri Milan Das in the 132nd meeting of the Executive Council held on 18th February 2020, Sri Milan Das should make effort to submit thesis by 31st May 2020.

The same to be communicated to Sri Milan Das, Research Scholar, Department of Ecology and Environmental Sciences for compliance.

EC:133:02-20:03: Executive Council delved in details matter of maintaining discipline and sanctity in campus and further resolved the following:

- 1. The Executive Council reiterated that all issues relating to students are to be routed through the office of DSW.
- 2. Blocking/Locking of any gate or building of the University by any individual or group shall be considered as unlawful and accordingly action shall be initiated.
- 3. On the basis of plea of students, it has been decided that henceforth the University authority normally may issue a show-cause notice on any issue of misconduct by any students. Accordingly, in case of misconduct, the Vice-Chancellor is asked to immediately issue show cause wherever deem fit.
- 4. Strict restriction to be followed in entry into Administrative and Academic Buildings of the University and particularly VCs Secretariat. No one to enter VCs chamber without prior permission of his office.

EC:133:02-20:04: The Chairman placed before the Council the preliminary report of Internal Complaints Committee in matter of allegation of sexual harassment by Dr. Partha Sarkar, Associate Professor, Department of Mass Communication. The Council took note of the recommendations of the Committee and authorized Vice-Chancellor to take further action as per rule.

The Meeting thereafter ended with thanks to and from the chair.

(Dr. P. K. Nath) 20/2/2020 Secretary & Registrar i/o

Assam University, Silchar

(Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath)

Chairman & Vice-Chancellor

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