

# MINUTES

OF

# 160<sup>™</sup> MEETING (EMERGENT) OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON
25th SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 04.00 PM
IN THE HEMANGA BISWAS COMMITTEE ROOM
OF ASSAM UNIVERSITY, SILCHAR

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Minutes of 160<sup>th</sup> Meeting (Emergent) of the Executive Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 04.00 p.m. in the Hemanga Biswas Committee Room of the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat, Assam University, Silchar.

#### The following Members were present:

1. Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant, Vice-Chancellor : Chairman 2. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, Pro-Vice Chancellor, AUDC : Member 3. Prof. Sarbani Giri, Dean, School of Life Sciences : Member : Member 4. Prof. Alok Sen, Dean, School of Economics & Commerce 5. Prof. Baby Pushpa Sinha, Dean of English & Foreign Lang. Studies: Member 6. Prof. Rashmi Ranjan Mishra, Dean, School of Legal Studies : Member : Member 7. Dr Narendra T., Senior most Associate Professor : Spl. Invitee 8. Prof. Piyush Pandey, Director, IQAC : Permanent Invitee 9. Dr. Subhadeep Dhar, Finance Officer i/c. : Spl. Invitee 10. Prof. H. Ramananda Singh, Chairman, EDC 11. Mr. Bojen Singh, Controller of Examinations i/c : Spl. Invitee : Spl. Invitee 12. Prof. Anindya Syam Choudhury, DSW 13. Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury, Chairman of Review Committee : Spl. Invitee : Spl. Invitee 14. Mr. Jayantha Bhattachajree, Director i/c, CDC : Ex-officio Secretary 15. Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Registrar

#### Members participated in the meeting through online:

1. Prof. Buno Zetsuvi, **Visitor's Nominee** : Member Professor, Dept. of Education, Nagaland University, Kohima.

2. Mr. Anil Ch. Das, Principal, Eastern Karbi Anglong College : Member

#### Members absent:

 Prof. Krishna Pal Singh, Visitor's Nominee (Absent without intimation) : Member

2. Prof. Kashinath Jena, **Visitor's Nominee** (Absent without intimation)

: Member

3. Dr. Sarat C. Kakaty, **Visitor's Nominee** (Absent without intimation)

: Member

4. Director, Higher Education, Govt. of Assam

: Member

(Absent without intimation)

5. Mr. B. S. Kar, Principal, A. L. Che

: Member

5. Mr. B. S. Kar, Principal, A. L. Choudhury College, Algapur (Absent without intimation)

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6. Principal, Nilambazar College, Nilambazar, Karimganj (Absent with intimation)

: Member

At the outset the Vice-Chancellor and the Chairman of the Executive Council welcomed all the members for attending the meeting. The Chairman also welcomed Prof. Buno Zetsuvi, Professor, Dept. of Education, Nagaland University, Kohima who participated online in the meeting as **Visitor's Nominee** and welcomed Mr. Anil Ch. Das, Principal, Eastern Karbi Anglong College who participated online in the meeting.

Thereafter the meeting formally started and following agenda items were taken up for discussion and resolutions were adopted accordingly.

## Item No. 1: Matter related to EDC (Examination Discipline Committee) resolutions and EDC guidelines:

EC:160:09-23:01: Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor received several prayers from students for condonation of punishment accorded to students as per EDC rules for violating the Exam Disciplinary rules. The matter was referred back to EDC by the VC but EDC couldn't accommodate any changes in its decision in view of EDC guidelines. The matter was thereafter referred to a Committee Chaired by Prof, Manabendra Dutta Choudhury for recommendations. The report of the Committee was tabled in the meeting of the Council for discussion and decision.

**Resolution :** The Registrar placed before the Council the report of the Prof. Manabendra Dutta Choudhury Committee constituted to look into the prayers received from students for condonation and consideration of the punishment accorded as per EDC rules during the last odd semester examination of the University. Registrar also pointed out Clause 9 (i) of EDC guidelines framed as per Resolution No EC:72:12-09-08 which seems to be not in tune with clause 12(2) and Clause 12(3) of the Statute. The Report of the Committee also pointed out that the provisions of EDC and Exam rules needs to be synchronized so that the punishment awarded by EDC doesn't get aggravated due to Exam Rules of the University. The members perused the report of the Committee and on hearing the Registrar, the Council felt that there is urgent need of re-looking into EDC/Exam rules. However, till framing of new guidelines, the EC authorized Vice-Chancellor to review and take decision as deem fit by Vice-Chancellor with regard to EDC recommendations of the last odd semester and thereafter.

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Item No. 2: Matter arising out of grant of affiliation status to G. C. University:

**EC:160:09-23:02:** The Registrar informed the Council that recently a bill was placed in State Legislative Assembly for grant of University to Guru Charan College with affiliating status. The matter was placed before the Council for discussion and decision.

**Resolution:** The Council noted that recently a bill was placed in State Legislative Assembly for grant of University to Guru Charan College with affiliating status. While the Council unanimously welcomed the step of the State Government for grant of G C University, the members also felt that a Committee needs to be constituted to look into the matter arising out of affiliation status to G C University. Accordingly, the Council authorized Vice-Chancellor to constitute a Committee in this regard.

Item No. 3: Matter related to attendance of students and employees of the University:

EC:160:09-23:03: Chairperson placed before the Council a letter received from Honourable Governor's Secretariat vide No. GSA.72/2021/105 dated 14th September 2023, written by Secretary to the Government of Assam to 'ensure minimum attendance of students as per standard norms of the University and also the attendance of the teachers". In addition, the Vice-Chancellor is requested to make a quarterly review of attendance. The report of students having poor attendance is to be shared with parents and to be published in the website.

**Resolution:** The Council, on perusal of the letter stressed on the need of compliance of the same by all Academic Departments. The Council directed the Registrar to issue a notice accordingly.

Item No. 4: Panel of External Experts for Selection Committee of the University:

**EC:160:09-23:04:** The Chairman placed before the Council for approval of penal of external experts for Selection Committees of the University.

**Resolution**: The Council approved the same.

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

(Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath)
Registrar & Ex-officio-Secretary
Executive Council
Assam University, Silchar

(Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant)
Vice Chancellor & Chairman
Executive Council
Assam University, Silchar