

AGENDA NOTES

OF

165[™] MEETING (SPECIAL) OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON 21st MARCH 2024 AT 11.00 AM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF ASSAM UNIVERSITY DIPHU CAMPUS, DIPHU

ASSAM UNIVERSITY

(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT)

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Assam University, Silchar

Agenda item for 165th Meeting (Special) of the Executive Council to be held on 21st March 2024 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference Hall of Assam University Diphu Campus, Diphu.

(A) Agenda item for approval by the Executive Council:

Item No 1 : Correction of date of effect of promotion of Dr Rakesh Kumar, Dept of Computer Science :

In the resolution of the Executive Council in its 163rd meeting vide no. EC:163:12-23:02 dated 21.12.2023 the date of promotion from Assistant Professor Stage III to Associate Professor in respect of Dr Rakesh Kumar, Department of Computer Science was mentioned as 29/06/2023 instead of 29/06/2022. In the recommendation of Selection Committee/Screening Committee the date of promotion was mentioned as 29/06/2022.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for consideration of correction of date of promotion of Dr Rakesh Kumar from Assistant Professor Stage III to Associate Professor.

Item No 2: Continuation of CPF scheme in respect of Dr R Balakrishnan:

Dr Ramiah Balakrishnan, Professor, Dept of Education has requested vide his applications dated 28/4/2022 and 1/12/2022 for continuation of his CPF scheme in this University.

It is to be mentioned here that Dr Balakrishnan joined this University on 9.1.2009 as Reader in the Dept of Education. Prior to joining this University Dr Balakrishnan served Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU), Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh from 16.9.1994 to 8.1.2009. The service gratuity and leave encashment of Rs.3,86,990/- (vide voucher No. 235 dated 23/6/2016) and CPF subscription & CPF contribution of Rs.5,12,943/- (vide voucher no. 8 dated 23/6/2016) have been transferred to this University. It may be noted here that he joined in this University on lien taken from Rajiv Gandhi University in the year 2009 and he started his contribution in NPS without giving intimation to the Finance Section about his CPF scheme at his parent organization i.e. RGU where he was a CPF subscriber.

In accordance with the provisions contained in OM issued by the Dept of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pension, Govt. of India, New Delhi vide No. 28/19/2002-P&PW (B) dated 19/02/2003 and subject to ratification by the Executive Council, the authority of Assam University is pleased to allow Prof R Balakrishnan, Dept of Education to subscribe CPF Scheme in Assam University by counting his admissible past service rendered in Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar w.e.f. 16/9/1994 to 8/1/2009 (14 years 3 months 23 days).

Prof R Balakrishnan is, therefore, allowed to subscribe the CPF scheme of Assam University, Silchar from the date of his opening CPF account in this University. The subscription deducted from his salary under Head of NPS since the time of his

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joining Assam University shall be transferred with actual accrued interests to his new CPF account opened in Assam University. His past service benefits i.e. pro-rata DCRG and cash equivalent of leave salary received from Rajiv Gandhi University shall be deposited to Assam University accounts and his employer's share and employee's share of CPF contribution along with interest received from Rajiv Gandhi University shall be deposited to the CPF account of Prof Balakrishnan in Assam University consequent upon allotment of CPF account number and interest of the CPF amount retained in Assam University will be paid on actual basis. However, Assam University will provide interest on CPF amount of Prof Balakrishnan w.e.f. the date of his admission into the CPF scheme of Assam University. However, counting of past service of Prof Balakrishnan for admission into CPF scheme shall be governed in terms of DoPT OM No. 28/30/2004-P&PW (B) dated 28th October 2009. Prof Balakrishnan will not be allowed admission into GPF cum pension scheme in future as per clause 2 (c) of aforesaid OM.

As per the order issued by this office vide dated 25/1/2024 Prof R Balakrishnan has submitted an undertaking that he agrees to the terms and conditions offered in this order.

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

Item No. 3: Approval of the recommendations of 69th meeting of the Finance Committee of Assam University slated on 19th March 2024:

The minutes of the 69th meeting of the Finance Committee of the University slated on 19th March 2024 will be placed on the table for consideration and approval by the Executive Council.

Item No 4: Construction of Open Theatre in the University:-

Dr.(Mrs.) Mukta Das Paul wife of Late Prof. Satya Bhushan Paul, Dept. of Chemistry and former Controller of Examinations, Assam University has committed to Vice-Chancellor to donate Rs. 20 Lacs for proposed Open Theatre to be constructed in the University. The foundation stone has already been laid at the initiative of Honourable Vice-Chancellor on 21st January 2024, the Foundation Day of Assam University by the Chancellor, ACM Sri Arup Raha. As desired by Mrs. Paul and as approved by the Vice-Chancellor, the open theatre has been named after Prof. Satya Bhusan Paul in his memory. The matter is placed before the Council for ratification and further action to be taken by the University.

Item No 5: Counting of Past Service for combined pensionary benefits in respect of Prof. Bishnu Charan Dash, Department of English, Diphu Campus:

Prof. Bishnu Charan Dash, Department of English, Assam University, Diphu Campus applied for transfer of service benefits from his former employer to Assam University, Silchar for combined pensionary service benefits through proper channel. The matter was taken up with the former employer of Prof. Dash and after several communications; former employer of Prof. Dash has transferred Rs. 30,414/towards 17 days earned leave encashment which has been deposited in the University A/C. The former employer of Prof. Dash has also transferred Rs. 21,51,689/- towards Lump sum amount in lieu of pro-rata pension and Rs.2,92,484/-

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towards Gratuity. The amount received from the former employer of Prof. Dash towards Lump sum amount in lieu of pro-rata pension and Gratuity has been deposited in the University A/C on receipt of an Undertaking from Prof. Dash that the amount received from the Office of the Principal Accountant General (A&E) shall be returned to the Senior Accounts Officer without any interest if on verification of the service records based on documents received by the University, it is found that the incorporation into GPF cum Pension Scheme is not admissible as per rules. The calculation of leave encashment, Lump sum amount in lieu of pro-rata pension and Gratuity received from former employer of Prof. Dash has been examined in the light of AU/GOI rules and it has been found that the former employer of Prof. Dash has transferred less amount of Rs. 7,43,186/- towards Lump sum amount in lieu of pension and Gratuity. The matter was taken up with his former employer for payment of Rs. 7, 43,186/- as per GOI/AU rules. In response to letter dated 01/08/2023, Office of the Principal Accountant General (A&E), Govt. of Assam has informed that 9 months can not be counted as one year for the purpose of calculation of Lump sum amount in lieu of pro-rata pension as per Assam Revision of Pay Rules 2010 effective from 01/10/2007, further the revised rate of Gratuity admissible at revised pay is from 01/04/2009 and hence the question of payment of Rs.7,43,186/does not arise. In regard to transfer of accumulated amount of GPF in respect of Prof. Dash, Office of the Principal Accountant General has informed that the status of action taken will be made from PF wing of the Office of A.G. Govt. of Assam. It may be noted that Prof. Dash joined B.H. College, Howly, Barpeta on 26-12-1986 and served up to 08-10-2007. Prof. Dash joined Assam University on 09-10-2007 through proper channel. As per DOPT O.M. No.28/10/84-Pension Unit dated 29-08-1984, the Govt. Autonomous body will discharge its pension liability by paying in Lump sum as one time payment, the pro-rata pension/service gratuity/terminal gratuity and DCRG for the service up to the date of absorption in the autonomous body/Govt. as the case may be. Only such service which qualifies for pension under the relevant rules of Govt. Autonomous body shall be taken in to account for this purpose. The matter was put up for administrative decision in regard to receipt of less amount towards Lump sum amount in lieu of pension and Gratuity and induction of Prof. Dash in to old pension scheme. The Finance has opined that counting of past service for combined pensionary benefits may be considered as has been considered in case of Prof. Sumanash Dutta by the Executive Council vide Resolution No.EC:157:06-23:17, subject to transfer of accumulated amount of GPF from the former employer of Prof. Dash.

The matter is placed before Executive Council for decision on counting of past service of Prof. Dash for combined pensionary benefits.

(B) Agenda item for ratification by the Executive Council:

Item No 6: Maternity Leave in respect of Dr. Maumita Nath, Assistant Professor, Dr. Ambedkar Chair:

The competent authority has granted 180 days of Maternity Leave w.e.f. 24.01.2024 to 21.07.2024 to Dr. Maumita Nath, Assistant Professor, Dr. Ambedkar Chair. It may be noted that the incumbent concerned has joined Assam University Silchar on 24.08.2024.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No 7: Appointment of Heads of the Departments:

The competent authority has appointed the following faculty members as HODs or HOD in-charge which are placed for ratification by the Executive Council:

| Sl. No | - meditey | Department | Effective Date | Order No. | Period |
|-----------|--|------------------------------------|-------------------|---|--|
| 1. | Dr. Khemnath Patir (i/c) | Applied Science & Humanities | 13.10.2023 | 102/4/2020 – Estt/Part dated. 13.10.2023 | Until further order |
| 2. | Prof. Suman Gun | ICL | 23.11.2023 | 102/4/2020 – Estt/Part dated. 09.11.2023 | 3 Years or till the completion of existing course curriculum of the Dept. whichever is earlier |
| 3. | Prof. Sima Pal | Education | 23.01.2024 | 102/4/2020 – Estt/3019-24 dated. 11.12.2023 | 3 Years |
| 4. | Dr. Soumendra Bhattacharjee | Commerce | 01.02.2024 | 102/4/2020- Estt/3105-11 dated. 11.12.2023 | 3 Years |
| 5. | Dr. Diwakar Kumar, Associate Professor | Microbiology | 23.01.2024 | 102/4/2020 – Estt/3012-18 dated. 11.12.2023 | 3 Years |
| 6. | Prof. Humayun Bokth | Sociology | 08.02.2024 | 103/42/1995- Pers/2625 - 33 dated. 15.02.2024 | 3 Years or till the date of superannuation whichever is earlier |
| 7. | Dr. Amalendu Chakaraborty | French | 12.03.2024 | 102/4/2020- Estt/8998-9002 dated. 12.03.2024 | 3 Years |

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No 8: Appointment of Deans of the Schools:

The competent authority has appointed the following faculty members as Dean which is placed for ratification by the Executive Council:

| SI. No. | Name of the Faculty | School | Effective Date | Order No. | Period |
|------------|----------------------------|---|-------------------|---|---|
| 1. | Prof. Sivan G. | Creative Arts & Communication Studies | 01.02.2024 | 102/3/2020- Estt/3187-92 dated. 04.01.2024 | 3 Years or till the date of superannuation whichever is earlier |
| 2. | Prof. Manoj Kumar Sinha | Library Sciences | 13.02.2024 | 102/3/2020- Estt/3187-92 dated. 04.01.2024 | 3 Years |

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

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Item No 9: Extension of study leave to Mr. Asish Ransom, Asstt. Prof., Dept. of Law:

Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the competent authority has granted the extension of study leave to Mr. Asish Ransom, Asstt. Professor, Department of Law for a period of one more year w.e.f. 01-02-2024 to 31-01-2025 in continuation of earlier period of two years granted vide order No.103/494/2018-Estt/780-85 Dtd. 21st Feb. 2022 as per Clause 8.2(iv) & (vi) of the UGC Regulation, 2018.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No 10 : Grant of one year lien to Dr. Biswa Ranjan Roy, Asstt. Professor, Deptt. of Computer Science :

Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the Competent authority has granted the lien to Dr. Biswa Ranjan Das, Asstt. Professor, Department of Computer Science for a period of one year w.e.f. 08-01-2024 to 07-01-2025 to enable him to join as Associate Professor, in the same Department of this University Vide order No. 103/453/2015-Estt/2540-46 Dated 30th January, 2024.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No 11: Termination of lien in respect of Dr. Somnath Mukhapadhyay, Department of Computer Science & Engineering:

Dr. Somnath Mukhopadhyay, Asstt. Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering, Assam University was granted lien for a period of one year w.e.f. 01-06-2023 to 31-05-2024 to enable him to join his new assignment as Associate Professor in the Department of Computer Applications, Sikkim University, Sikkim. Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the competent authority has terminated the lien granted to Dr. Mukhapadhyay w.e.f. 12th Dec. 2023 vide order No.103/493/2018-Estt/3220-27 Dtd. 9th Jan. 2024 as he reverted back and joined in the parent Department on 12th Dec. 2023.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No 12: Grant of Sabbatical Leave to Prof. Sankar Kr. Ghosh, Department of Biotechnology:

Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the Competent authority has granted Sabbatical leave to Prof. Sankar Kumar Ghosh, Department of Biotechnology for a period of one year w.e.f. 12-02-2024 to 11-02-2025 to work at Ramkrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and Research Institute/University, Belurmath to complete his research related works.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

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Item No 13: Extension of Lien in respect of Prof. Alok Tripathi, Department of History:

Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the Competent authority is pleased to grant the extension of lien for a period of one more year with effect from 13-04-2024 to 12-04-2025 to Prof. Alok Tripathi, Department of History in addition to the already granted 03 (three) years period to enable him to continue his service in Archaeological Survey of India.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No 14: Advancement of date of effect of promotion under CAS:

As per the recommendation of the Standing Screening Committee for CAS and subject to the ratification of the Executive Council the Vice Chancellor, Assam University is pleased to approve the advancement of date of effect for promotion under Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) in respect of the following faculty members as detailed below.

| SI. No. | member | Department | Stage of promotion | Date of promotion as per earlier notification | Advanced date of effect |
|------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. | Dr Amitabha | Microbiology | Stage I to Stage II | 31/10/2014 | 27/10/2013 |
| 2 | Bhattacharjee | | Stage II to Stage III | 12/10/2020 | 27/10/2018 |
| 2. | Dr Panna Deb | CB&NRC, Ecology & Env. Sc. | Stage I to Stage II | 11/12/2014 | 19/10/2013 |
| | | | Stage II to Stage III | 10/10/2020 | 19/10/2018 |
| 3. | Dr Ritwika Rajendra | Social Work | Stage I to Stage II | 18/2/2018 | 09/11/2015 |
| 4. | Dr Saptarshi Paul | Computer Science | Stage I to Stage II | 01/4/2015 | 27/10/2014 |
| 5. | Dr Yashmin | Biotechnology | Stage II to Stage III | 01/4/2020 | 27/10/2019 |
| | | | Stage I to Stage II | 27/7/2015 | 03/11/2013 |
| 6 | Choudhury | | Stage II to Stage III | 27/7/2020 | 03/11/2018 |
| 6. | Dr Sumit Saha | Mathematics | Stage II to Stage III | 19/12/2019 | 19/10/2018 |
| 7. | Dr Abhishek Bhattacharjee | Pharmaceutical Sc. | Stage I to Stage II | 05/9/2016 | 02/6/2016 |
| 8. | Dr Nirupam Das | Pharmaceutical Sc. | Stage I to Stage II | 12/4/2018 | 26/9/2016 |

This advancement of date of effect of promotion has been done in pursuance of the Public Notice No. 2.16/2002 (PS) Pt.FI.II dated 16/10/2018 issued by the Secretary, University Grants Commission, New Delhi and subsequent notification issued by Assam University No.104/19/2022-Estt/1636-42 dated 4/7/2023.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

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Item No 15: Promotion to senior scale of Deputy Registrar, Assam University, Silchar & Diphu campus:

- (i) In compliance to clause 3 (V) of the MHRD letter No. 1-7/2015-U.II (2) dated 02.11.2017 and with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, Shri Biswajit Chandra Deb, Deputy Registrar (AUDC) is hereby placed at Level -13 with Rationalized Entry Pay of Rs. 1,23,100/- as per 7th CPC pay matrix w.e.f 18/04/2023.
- (ii) In compliance to clause 3 (V) of the MHRD letter No. 1-7/2015-U.II (2) dated 02.11.2017 and with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, Shri Laishram Bojen Singh, Deputy Registrar is hereby placed at Level -13 with Rationalized Entry Pay of Rs. 1,23,100/- as per 7th CPC pay matrix w.e.f 27/12/2023.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Item No 16: Promotion to senior scale of Assistant Registrar, Assam University, Diphu Campus:

In compliance to clause 3 (V) of the MHRD letter No. 1-7/2015-U.II (2) dated 02.11.2017 and with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Thengtom Rongpi, Assistant Registrar (AUDC) is hereby placed at Level -11 with Rationalized Entry Pay of Rs. 67,700/- as per 7th CPC pay matrix w.e.f 15/01/2023.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Item No 17: Termination of lien in respect of non-teaching staff of AUDC:

- (i) Smt. Homshira Killingpi, LDC, Assam University, Diphu Campus was appointed to the post of Personal Assistant vide offer of appointment order No.102/4/2021-RECT/2111-2115 dated 27/08/2021 and joined on 27/8/2021 (A/N) by granting her lien for the period of two (2) year w.e.f 27/08/2021 to 26/8/2023. On expiry of her lien on 26/8/2023, she informed vide letter no.nil dated 06/10/2023 regarding her permanent absorption of the post of Personal Assistant w.e.f 27/8/2021 (A/N). In view of the above, the post of LDC which she was holding may be terminated and stands relieved shall be considered with effect from 27/8/2021 to enable her to absorb the post of Personal Assistant in Assam University, Diphu campus.
- (ii) Sri Mukrang Terang, Assistant, AUDC was appointed to the post of Section Officer, Assam University, Diphu Campus and he was granted lien for 2 (two) years w.e.f. 27/08/2021 to 26/08/2023 vide office order No. AUDC/S.O-1/808/2021/1813 dtd. 15/09/2022. As approved by the competent authority lien granted to Sri Terang was terminated vide order No. AUDC/SO/808/2021/2128 dtd. 06/04/2023.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

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Item No 18: Grant of Study Leave:

- (i) Sri Manoj Kumar De, Deputy Registrar, Research and Fellowship Cell has been considered and granted Study Leave for 180 days w.e.f 16/01/2024 to 13/07/2024 to enable him to pursue Ph.D from the Social Work Department, Assam University, Silchar. He was also considered pay and allowances admissible as per study leave rules. Before release he executed bond as per Assam University Ordinance under clause No 9(xvi).
- (ii) Sri Nirmalya Sarma Roy, Estate Officer, Estate Section has been considered and granted Study Leave for 180 days w.e.f 01/11/2023 to 30/04/2024 to enable him to pursue Ph.D from National Institute of Technology (NIT), Silchar. He was also considered pay and allowances admissible as per study leave rules. Before release he executed bond as per Assam University Ordinance under clause No 9(xvi).

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Item No 19: Item from the Chair:

Registrar

Assam University, Silchar

Agenda item for 165th Meeting (Special) of the Executive Council to be held on 21st March 2024 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference Hall of Assam University Diphu Campus, Diphu.

(C) Additional agenda item for approval by the Executive Council:

Item No 20: Promotion/Upgradation of Stenographer Gr-II/ PA's to Private Secretary:

In pursuance to the resolution of the 162nd EC vide No. EC:162:11-23:11 dated 23/11/2023, a Committee headed by Prof. P. B. Mazumder, Dept. of Biotechnology was constituted vide notification 120/01/2015-Estt dated 09/01/2024 for examining the matter relating to promotion/upgradation of Stenographer Gr-II/ PA's to Private Secretary. The Committee submitted its report on 14/3/2024 recommending as follows:-

"The upgradation to P.S. may be treated as promotion granted on individual capacity on supernumerary. The practice of such upgradation/ promotion should not be practised in future and the present designation of the Private Secretary awarded to 23 incumbents should be filled up as Stenographer Gr-II whenever such vacancy arises out of superannuation/resignation/termination/death of the present incumbents".

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for perusal and decision.

Item No 21: Non-Teaching Recruitment and Promotion Rule -2023

In conformity with the Model Cadre Recruitment Rules for Central Universities given by UGC vide letter No. F.No.7-1/2022 dtd. 27/09/2022, Assam University had adopted Model RR. On the basis of Assam University Executive Council recommendations vide resolution No. EC:161:10-23:04 dated 17/10/2023, administrative vetting by the University administration of the R & P Rules-2023 has been done. The recruitment rule may be made a part of the Assam University Ordinances.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for approval.

Registrar