AGENDA ITEMS

कार्यसूची के विषय

OF

184TH MEETING

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

कार्यकारिणी परिषद

TO BE HELD ON
15th OCTOBER 2026 AT 03.00 PM
IN THE HEMANGA BISWAS COMMITTEE ROOM
OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S SECRETARIAT

ASSAM UNIVERSITY

असम विश्वविद्यालय

(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT)

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Assam University, Silchar

Agenda item for 184th Meeting of the Executive Council to be held on 15th October 2026 at 03:00 PM in Hemanga Biswas Committee Room, Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat, Assam University, Silchar.

(A) Agenda item for confirmation:

Item No. 1 : Confirmation of the minutes of the 182nd meeting & 183rd meeting (Special) of the Executive Council :

The minutes of the 182nd meeting & 183rd meeting (Special) of the Executive Council held on 26th May 2026 and 25th June 2026 respectively are placed at **Annexure – A, & B** for consideration and confirmation.

Action taken report of the above meetings are placed at **Annexure – C & D.**

(B) Agenda item for approval/decision by the Council:

Item No. 2 : Promotion of faculty members under the Career Advancement Scheme:

The duly constituted Selection Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof Rajive Mohan Pant, Vice-Chancellor in its meeting held on the 30th - 31st August 2026 has recommended the following promotion / placement of faculty members under the Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) according to the provisions of the UGC Regulations 2018.

Computer Science & Engineering:-

SL.No.	Name of Faculty	Promotion/Placement	Date of Effect
1.	Dr. Sunita Sarkar	Academic Level 13A to 14	
2.	Dr. Mousam Handique	Academic Level 13A to 14	
3	Dr. Tapodhir Acharjee	Academic Level 13A to 14	
4	Dr. Abhijit Biswas	Academic Level 12 to 13A	
5	Dr. Arnab Paul	Academic Level 12 to 13A	

Agricultural Engineering :-

SL.No.	Name of Faculty	Promotion/Placement	Date of Effect
1.	Dr. Ajita Tiwari	Academic Level 12 to 13A	
2.	Dr. Avinash Kumar	Academic Level 12 to 13A	
3	Dr. Chetan Baliram Khobragade	Academic Level 12 to 13A	

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

Item No. 3 : Minutes of the 103rd meeting of the Academic Council :

The minutes of the 103rd Meeting of the Academic Council of Assam University held **on 28th September, 2026 at 12.30 am** will be placed in the meeting for consideration/ approval of the Executive Council.

Item No. 4 : Proposal for renaming the Board of Research Studies (BRS) in Science to Board of Research Studies (BRS) in Science & Technology :

A proposal was initiated by Prof. Sudipto Roy, Dean, School of Technology, during the 62nd meeting of the Board of Research Studies (BRS) (Science) held on 27.04.2026. Prof. Roy proposed that the current nomenclature of BRS (Science) be modified to BRS (Science & Technology) to accurately represent and encompass the academic and research domains of the School of Technology also.

The Board of Research Studies (Science) accepted the proposal and forwarded the matter to the Executive Council for final statutory approval.

Item No. 5 : Review of Court case against a former student of Assam University

In 2020, a FIR was filed by the University with respect to incidents of alleged violation of code of conduct during students protest/agitation against the then President of Assam University Students Union who was a Ph.D. Scholar of Department of Ecology and Environmental Sciences of the University. The concerned student eventually completed Ph.D. from Assam University and entered into public life and is presently serving as Member of Legislative Assembly, Assam representing Hailakandi Constituency. The FIR which was lodged more than six year before has now lost its relevance. Further, it's a matter of pride for the University that the concerned former student of the University has transformed himself and dedicated towards selfless service of the society. Under the circumstances, it may be appropriate for the University to act graciously and withdraw the FIR/Court case in this regard and support the concerned former student in his endeavor towards Service to Humanity.

Matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

Item No. 6 : Finalisation of guidelines for Sabbatical Leave :

A committee was constituted to review the guidelines of sabbatical Leave as per the resolution of the Executive Council vide No. **EC:182:05-26:08** Dated 26th May 2026. The Committee has submitted the guidelines which will be placed in the meeting for perusal, discussion and approval by the Council.

Item No. 7 : Empanelment of Lawyers for representing the University in the High Court :

The University is being represented in the High Court by Standing Counsel of the University. However, over years, the number of cases against the University in the High Court has increased for which it is felt that it is necessary to have a panel of Lawyers to represent the University so that the cases against the University can be allotted accordingly which will enable the University to represent the cases better in the Court. Accordingly, it is sought that empanelment of lawyers may be undertaken by the University.
The matter is placed before the Council for discussion and direction.

Item No. 8 : Appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Assam University Diphu Campus :

Prof. Sivasish Biswas, present Pro-Vice Chancellor, AUDC is going to superannuate on 31st December 2026. The campus therefore shall require a new Pro- Vice Chancellor to take over the charge from Prof. Sivasish Biswas. It may be noted that there is a sanctioned post of Pro-Vice Chancellor in AUDC. Therefore, the Executive Council may nominate a new Pro-VC to take charge on completion of service of Prof. Sivasish Biswas

or the Council may authorize the Vice-Chancellor to appoint a suitable Pro-Vice Chancellor for AUDC.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

Item No. 9 : Naming of Hostels of the University :

Assam University SC/ST Employees Welfare Association (AUSEWA) has submitted a request to name two hostels of the University in the name of Birsa Munda ji, noted tribal Indian Independence activist and Rani Rashmoni, noted Indian entrepreneur, philanthropist and the founder of the Dakshineswar Kali Temple in Kolkata.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

Item No. 10 : Compliance of CIC order on providing certified copy of Answer scripts to applicants under RTI Act :

Assam University being an autonomous Central University has been charging Rs 1000/- per answer scripts for providing certified copy of the same under RTI Act. However, according to the RTI Act, only Rs 2/- per page can be asked for providing certified copy of any documents. Recently, in an appeal to CIC by an RTI applicant for a certified copy of answer scripts, the CIC has upheld the provisions laid down in RTI Act and directed to provide certified copy of answer scripts at Rs 2/- per page. However, there is a cost involved in providing certified copy of answer scripts as these answer scripts are maintained in distant zones from where the same has to be fetched. The labor and cost of time are also substantial. There are also certain logistics issues.

The matter is placed before the Council for an appropriate direction in this regard.

(C) Agenda item for ratification by the Council:

Item No. 11 : Nomination of a member to the Finance Committee by the Executive Council of the University :

The Vice Chancellor and Chairman of the Executive Council of Assam University has nominated Prof. Subhrangshu Sekhar Sarkar, Professor & Dean, Dept. of Business Administration, School of Management Sciences, Tezpur University, Napaam, Tezpur, Assam – 784 028 as a member of the Finance Committee of Assam University as a nominee of the Executive Council w.e.f. 01-09-2026 for a period of three years subject to ratification by the Executive Council of the University.

Prof. Sarkar has been nominated in place of Prof. G. D. Sharma whose term as member of the Finance Committee of Assam University has been completed on 11-07-2026.

The matter is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No. 12 : Extension of suspension of Mr. Pinakpani Nath Purkayastha, Assistant Registrar (Exam) :

The suspension order issued vide No. 103/562/94-Pers/ dated 18-12-2025 to Mr. Pinakpani Nath Purkayastha, Assistant Registrar (Exam) was reviewed by the committee and the period of suspension was extended by 180 days vide issued order No. 103/562/94-Pers/8282-84 dated 17/03/2026. Since inquiry of the issue is still pending, the matter once again was reviewed by committee and extended by 180 days vide issued order No. 103/562/94-Pers/3120-23 dated 11/09/2026 in continuation of the earlier suspension issued vide order dated 17/03/026.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Item No. 13 : Promotion of Non-Teaching employees under Seniority-cum-fitness

a) On recommendation of Departmental Promotion committee meeting held on 2nd June 2026 following 01 numbers of Assam University Non-Teaching employees promoted under Seniority-cum-fitness as details below:-

Sl. No.	Name	Promoted to the post of	Category under which promoted	Pay Matrix Level
1	Shri A.J Alom Barbhuiya, Laboratory Assistant	Technical Assistant	UR	Level-5

b) On recommendation of Departmental Promotion committee meeting held on 14th July 2023 following 01 numbers of Assam University Non-Teaching employees promoted under Proforma Promotion on deputation to UDAI, RO Guwahati as detailed below: -

Sl. No.	Name	Promoted to the post of	Category under which promoted	Pay Matrix Level
1	Shri Jaganath Nath, Laboratory Assistant	Technical Assistant	UR	Level-5

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Item No. 14 : Partial modification regarding date of termination of lien of Dr. Apurba Jyoti Mazumder, Assistant Librarian :

Dr. Apurba Jyoti Mazumder was granted lien by Assam University w.e.f. 22.11.2023 for joining as Librarian at Cotton University, which was subsequently extended up to 21.11.2025.

On successful completion of his probation, his services in Cotton University were confirmed **w.e.f. 22.11.2024**.

The matter relating to termination of his lien in Assam University was subsequently placed before the Executive Council in its **183rd Special Meeting vide Agenda Item No. EC:183:06-26:01** and was approved.

The matter is now placed before the Executive Council for ratification of the date of release of service of Dr. Apurba Jyoti Mazumder from Assam University. His technical resignation may be treated with effect from 22.11.2024 instead of 22.11.2025.

Item No. 15 : Appointment of Dean of the Schools

The competent authority has appointed the following faculty members as Deans/ Dean in-charges which are placed for ratification by the Executive Council.

Sl. No.	Name of the Faculty	School	Effective Date	Order No.	Period
1.	Prof. Ajay Kumar Singh	School of Education	18.09.2026	102/3/2020-Estt dated. 28.07.2026	3 years

Item No. 16 : Appointment of Heads of the Departments :

The competent authority has appointed the following faculty members as HODs/ HOD in-charges which are placed for ratification by the Executive Council.

Sl. No.	Name of the Faculty	Department	Effective Date	Order No.	Period
1.	Prof. Raju Mandal	Economics	18.05.2026	102/4/2020-Estt dated. 29.04.2026	3 years
2.	Prof. Suman Gun	Bengali	19.06.2026		
3.	Prof. Rama Shanker	Statistics	14.07.2026	102/4/2020-Estt dated. 08.07.2026	
4.	Prof. Tapati Das	Ecology & Environmental Science	25.09.2026	102/4/2020-Estt dated. 05.08.2026	

Item No. 17 : Extension of suspension of Mr. Ajit Kumar Jena :

A disciplinary proceeding is pending against Mr. Ajit Kumar Jena, Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work and the order of suspension is in force vide order No. 103/442/2014-Estt/2121-27 dated 29th January 2026. Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the competent authority has made the extension of the said suspension on the basis of the recommendations of the committee constituted for the purpose under the provisions of Rule 10(6) & (7) of CCS (CCA) Rule-1965 & the extension is made vide order No. 103/442/2014-Estt/1628--35 dated 14th July, 2026 for a further period of 90 days.

The matter is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No. 18 : Extension of suspension of Prof. Laxmi Narayan Sethi :

A disciplinary proceeding is pending against Prof. Laxmi Narayan Sethi, Department of Agricultural Engineering and the order of suspension is in force vide order No. 103/220/2006-Pers/2104-10 dated 9th January, 2026. Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the competent authority has made the extension of the said suspension on the basis of the recommendations of the committee constituted for the purpose under the provisions of Rule 10(6) & (7) of CCS (CCA) Rule-1965 and the latest extension (9th extension) is made vide order No. 103/220/2006-Pers/Part/1636--42 dated 14th July, 2026 for a further period of 180 days.

The matter is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No. 19 : Extension of one year EOL to Dr. K. N. Lokesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of H.T.M :

Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the Competent authority is pleased to grant one year extension of Extra ordinary leave to Dr. K. N. Lokesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Hospitality & Tourism Management for a period of one year w.e.f. 02-06-2026 to 01-06-2027 on the basis of order No. CUH/2026/Estt.Sec./T/397 dated 13-05-2026 of Central University of Haryana for deferment of his confirmation and extension of probation for a period of one year. Thus, the extension is granted vide order No. 103/1010/2020-Estt/1789-96 dated 17th August 2026.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No. 20 : Termination of lien in respect of Prof. Debaprasad Das, Dept. of ECE

Prof. Debaprasad Das, Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering, Assam University was granted Lien for a period of one-year w.e.f. 08-08-2025 to 07-08-2026 to enable him to join his new assignment as Professor, Department of School of VLSI Technology, Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur, Howrah, W.B. But before completion of the tenure Professor Das took release from IIEST, Shibpur, Howrah, W.B. and reported to join in the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering as Professor on 24-07-2026 (F/N). Accordingly, his joining is accepted vide order No. 103/436/2013-Estt/1768-75 dated 05/08/2026 subject to ratification by Executive Council. Consequently, the lien granted to him vide order No. 103/436/2013-Estt/1329-36 dated 5th August 2025 and its subsequent extension are terminated.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No. 21 : Extension of lien for one more year to Dr. Urbashi Sarkar :

Dr. Urbashi Sarkar, Assistant Professor, Department of Earth Science was granted lien for a period of one-year w.e.f. 08-08-2025 to 07-08-2026 vide order No. 103/438/2013-Estt/1321-1328 dated 5th August 2025 to enable her to join as Assistant Professor at Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur, Howrah, W.B. In her

appointment letter issued by IIEST, the period of probation was indicated as two years from the date of joining to IIEST but she was granted lien for a period of one year under the provisions of Clause-11.1 & 11.2 of UGC Regulation-2018. As the period of probation is for two years, the extension is granted for one more year under the provisions of Clause-6 of Assam University Regulation for grant of lien vide order No. 103/438/2013-Estt/1725-34 dated 29th July, 2025.

The item is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No. 22 : Item from the Chair :

Registrar