Minutes of Meeting of Coordination Committee of UBA-Cell held on 18-12-2017

First meeting of coordination committee of UBA Cell, Goa University was held in the Placement cell of University on 18-12-2017 at 4.00 p.m. Following members attended the meeting. Shri Ramrao Wagh, Dr. A. Viegas, Shri Dattesh Parulekar, Dr. Rajendra S. Gad, Dr. R. Nirmala, Dr. Prakash Parienkar, Dr. S. N. Dhuri (Convener). Dr. Joanna Pereira Coelho and Dr. Lakshangy Charya could not attend the meeting. Agenda of the meeting was:

1. To select (propose) five villages to be adopted by the University under UBA;
2. Activities to be proposed in the above selected villages;
3. AOB

1. Convener welcomed the members of Coordination Committee for the first meeting and briefed about the UBA program of MHRD, Govt of India. Dr. Viegas also briefed about the earlier meeting of Registrar, Director-DSW, and Director, BEMS and ES with Vice-Chancellor regarding participation of Goa University in UBA program. He informed that in the said meeting it was decided to give representation to both (North-Goa and South-Goa) districts while adopting the five villages. It was decided that three villages in North-Goa on the periphery of the University viz Nauxi, Odxel and Cacra and two villages in the South Goa district could be adopted. Coordination committee deliberated again on this matter and on the lines of earlier discussions, then proposed three villages in North Goa close to Goa University campus namely i) Nauxi-Pirabhat (Curca Gram Panchayat), ii) Cacra (St. Cruz Gram Panchayat) and iii) Pale-Shirdon (Pale-Shirdon Gram Panchayat) or Odxel (Taleigao Gram Panchayat) for adoption under UBA program. On other hand for South Goa District committee decided to adopt two villages namely i) Gudi Paroda (Gudi Paroda Gram Panchayat) and ii) Madkai (Madkai Gram Panchayat). It was also suggested that whether to adopt Pale Shirdon or Odxel may be finalised in consultation with Vice-Chancellor. The names of the villages proposed by the committee may thus be sent to IIT-Delhi after consultation with North and South-Goa District collectors. In this regard a formal letter may be sent to the District collectors through Registrar, Goa University.

2. Convener requested the members to suggest the type of work / activities to be carried out in the identified five villages so that same can be undertaken soon. He also informed the committee about the different activities being carried out by other institutes in India under UBA program. Committee members however felt that we need to first identify the issues in these villages and based on the requirements of the villagers, the UBA cell may plan the activities with the help of faculties of various departments. Further, convener informed that coordination institute (IIT-Delhi) had asked through email the mandate form with details of Goa University Bank details and it is likely that IIT-D may release the funds to carry out the UBA activities in the proposed villages. It was also noted that Department of Konkani is interested to adopt Nauxi village and in this regard they have given proposal to the University. Committee welcomed the proposal of Konkani Dept and unanimously resolved that Konkani Department may be permitted to adopt the Nauxi village. Members also suggested that Vice-Chancellor may call a meeting of Deans/HoD's/Faculty members to brief about the UBA program and involve all Departments in this program to make successful. Accordingly the proposals may be invited by the UBA-cell to conduct the activities in the villages by different departments. Committee was of the opinion that some of the Departments besides Konkani like Bio-Tech, Computer Science, Earth Science, Marine Science, Botany, Electronics, Sociology, Political Science, History, Management, Economics, Womens Studies, Chemistry, zoology, Language Departments has potential to participate in the program. Members also felt that PGSU council should also be involved in the program.

3. Under AOB, convener informed that since UBA-Cell has been now created he will request Computer Section to create a web-page for UBA-Cell and also an email ID for UBA-cell, for which committee recommended to go ahead with the same. Committee felt that since this is an important initiative related to community service, the four credit course on community service –project may be floated for the students who are interested to participate in the UBA activities. Committee also suggested that coordinating committee should have AR-Teaching as one of the member to assist the meetings of UBA cell, to collect the information related to UBA from colleges and to arrange the other logistic support from the administration. Committee finally suggested that some funds may be allotted to UBA-cell from University and may be debited once the funds are received from the coordinating Institute (IIT-Delhi).

Meeting ended with thanks to all the members.

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Coordinator, UBA-Cell &
Convener of Coordinating Committee