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GOA UNIVERSITY Taleigao Plateau, Goa

Minutes of the Seventeenth (Special) Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on Wednesday, 1st March, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. in the Council Hall of Goa University under the Chairpersonship of the Vice-Chancellor, Goa University.

Members Present

Prof. Suhas Pednekar	Member
Dr. Unnikrishnan. S.	Member
Dr. Aparna Devdatta Patil	Member
Prof. Datta B. Naik	Member
Dr. Ajit Parulekar	Member
Dr. Ganesh Gaonkar	Member
Prof. Savita S. Kerkar	Member
Prof. Gopal Krishna Rao	Member
Dr. Anura Prashant Bale	Member
Prof. S. Krishnan	Member
Registrar	Member Secretary (Ex-Officio)

Members who conveyed their inability to attend/could not attend.

Shri Arjun Chowgule	Member
Shri Shrinivas Vasudeva Sinai Dempo	Member
Shri Sudin Naik	Member
Secretary (Education)	Member (Ex-Officio)
Secretary (Finance)	Member (Ex-Officio)

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the Esteemed Members to the Seventeenth (Special) Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council.

Further, the Vice-Chancellor introduced Dr. Aparna Devdatta Patil the nominee of the Hon'ble Chancellor and Dr. Ganesh Gaonkar nominee of the State Government on the reconstitution of the Executive Council.

Thereafter the agenda was taken up for discussion.

D 1.3.6 (i) To consider and approve the minutes of the Third Meeting of the Tenth Finance Committee held on 24th February, 2023.

The Registrar requested the Chair to permit the Finance Officer to explain all the agenda items pertaining to Finance Committee, Annual Accounts and CAG observations. The Finance Officer presented the minutes of the Third Meeting of the Tenth Finance Committee held on 24th February, 2023 to the Members. Various queries from the Hon'ble Members were answered by the Vice-Chancellor, Registrar and the Finance Officer.

RESOLUTION I: The Executive Council approved the minutes of the Third Meeting of the Tenth Finance Committee held on 24th February, 2023.

(Action: Finance Officer)

D 1.8 (i) To consider and accord approval for passing of rectification entries in the Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2021-22 in respect of un-shown liabilities of Rs.10.00 Crores and 9.00 Crores in the Annual Accounts pertaining to Financial Year 2019-20 and 2020-21 respectively.

The House was informed that the CAG Auditor during the Audit for the F.Y. 2020-2021 had pointed out that the Grants of Rs.10.00 Crores and Rs.9.00 Crores released to Goa University by the Govt. towards the construction of Shri Manohar Parrikar School of Law, and for Bio-incubators have not been shown under the Liabilities side in the Annual Accounts for the F.Y. 2020-2021.

Subsequently, University complied the aforesaid observations stating that the rectification entry will be passed in consultation with the Internal Auditor to stream line the proper accounting procedures.

RESOLUTION II: The Executive council approved the proposal for passing of rectification entries in the Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2021-2022 in respect of un-shown liabilities of Rs.10.00 Crores and Rs.9.00 Crores in the Annual Accounts pertaining to Financial Year 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 respectively.

(Action: Finance Officer)

D 1.8 (ii) To consider and accord approval for nullifying entries in respect of committed liabilities shown during the Annual Accounts for the year 2020-2021.

The House is informed that the University has created a separate committed expenditure company under General as well as Part III to avoid errors, such as, showing entry of committed liabilities pertaining to the subsequent financial year in the Books of Accounts without the proper accounting procedure. The current Internal Auditor has suggested that such liabilities shown in the Accounts by error should be reconciled and the same should be nullified from the books after obtaining approval from the Executive Council.

It is noticed that an amount of Rs.4,48,14,466/- (General) and Rs.217,75,992/- (Part-III) as on 31/03/2021 is reflected in the Books by error. The University requires passing the rectification entry for the same therefore the matter is placed for approval of the House.

RESOLUTION III: The Executive Council approved nullifying of the entries in respect of the committed liabilities shown by error during the Annual Accounts for the year 2020-2021.

(Action: Finance Officer)

D 1.8 (iii) To consider and accord approval to write off the following funds lying in the Accounts for last so many years.

The House was informed that the Internal Auditor has suggested deletion of Ledger balances from the Annual Accounts which are lying in the Accounts without any transaction.

RESOLUTION IV: The Executive Council approved the removal of the following Ledger Balances/funds from the Book of Annual Accounts which are lying in the Accounts without any transaction from past several years.

Particulars Closing	Balance of 31/03/2019	Closing Balance of 31/03/2022
Account Payable to Employees	3863.00 Cr	3863.00 Cr
* Dempo Charity Trust-Scholarship A/c	2400.00 Cr	2400.00 Cr
Inter-Collegiate Sports Committee Fund A/c.	87061.31 Cr	87061.31 Cr
* Shigeko Asher Mori Scholarships/ Gold Medal A/c.	13870.00 Cr	13870.00 Cr
Student Safety Insurance Scheme	72872.30 Cr	72872.30 Cr
Other deposits	265053.00 Dr	265053.00 Dr
Festival Advance	116835.00 Dr	116835.00 Dr
Prepaid Items	463500.00 Dr	463500.00 Dr

(Action: Finance Officer)

D 1.8 (iv) To consider and accord approval for passing the rectification entry for excess provision booked under Z-1 (amount payable under General Head) for Rs.14,39,270/- and Z-2 amount payable (Part III) for Rs.28,115/-.

The House is informed that the Internal Auditor of the Goa University during the F.Y.2021-2022 had observed that there are some excess provisions booked under two Ledgers from last many years for which the Internal Auditor had advised reconciliation.

After thorough reconciliation, it was noticed that an amount of Rs.14,39,270/- and Rs.28,115/- was incorrectly booked under Z-1 (amount payable under General) and Z-2 (amount payable Part III). To streamline the accounts the said amounts are required to be nullified from the books in the Financial Year 2021-2022 with the approval of the Executive Council.

RESOLUTION V: The Executive Council approved nullifying of the following ledgers from the Account Books in the Financial Year 2021-2022 to streamline the Accounts of Goa University.

Name of Ledger	Balance as on 31/03/2021
Z-1 Amount payable (General)	14,39,270.00
Z-2 Amount payable (Part III)	28,115.00

(Action: Finance Officer)

D 1.8 (v) To consider & approve the CMP/CINB rights for officers in Finance Division.

The House was informed that since the full-time Finance Officer has taken over the charge of the office, it is necessary to approve CMP and CINB authorization rights involving the Finance Officer.

RESOLUTION VI: The Executive Council approved the proposed CMP and CINB authorization rights to the officers as per the limits shown below:

CMP Authorization			
Sr. No.	Amount	CMP Approval	CMP Authorization
1	Up to Rs.5,000/-	Accountant/ Head Clerk Or Superintendent	Assistant Accounts Officer
2	Up to Rs.20,000/-	Accountant/ Superintendent/ Head Clerk Or Assistant Accounts Officer	Assistant Registrar (Fin.I) Or Assistant Registrar (Fin.II)
3	Up to Rs.50,000/-	Superintendent Or Assistant Accounts Officer	Assistant Registrar (Fin.I) Or Assistant Registrar (Fin.II) With Deputy Registrar (Fin) Or Finance Officer

			Deputy Registrar (Fin)
	Assistant Registrar (Fin.I)	With	
4	4 Above	Or	Finance Officer
Rs.50,000/-	KS.50,000/-	Assistant Registrar (Fin.II)	Or
			Registrar

CINB Authorization

Sr. No.	Amount	CINB Approval	CINB Authorization
1	Up to Rs.5,000/- Under Single Signature	Assistant Accounts Officer	Assistant Accounts Officer
		Accountant/	
	Up to Rs.20,000/-	Superintendent/	Assistant Registrar (Fin.I)
2	Under Single	Head Clerk	Or
	Signature	Or	Assistant Registrar (Fin.II)
		Assistant Accounts Officer	
	Up to Rs.50,000/-	Superintendent	
3	Under Single	Or	Finance Officer
	Signature	Assistant Accounts Officer	
	Above		Deputy Registrar (Fin)
	Rs.50,000/- to	Assistant Registrar (Fin.I)	With
4	Rs.2,00,00,000/-	Or	Finance Officer
	Jointly Two	Assistant Registrar (Fin.II)	Or
	Signatories		Registrar

(Action: Finance Officer)

D 1.8 (vi) Matter pertaining to University Land-Petition filed by Mr. Suresh Shetye.

The Registrar explained the site plan of the University and the various properties including the one under Survey Nos. 193, 197 and 198 owned by Mr. Suresh Shetye (W.P.353 of 2021) to the Hon'ble members of the Executive Council.

The House also noted its earlier resolution passed in the 14th meeting dated 16/06/2022 in connection with the TCP Board matters (W.P.567/2019 and 353 of 2021).

The members unanimously expressed that they have taken a clear stand in the land related matters. The Goa University is the only University in the State of Goa and is supposed to have its existence for hundreds of years and is supposed to serve many future generations of the Goan Society. Presently, it has not even completed fifty years of its existence. Many new building infrastructural projects have been approved by the IX^{th} and X^{th} Executive Councils and are being executed to serve the need of Goa students for providing them with opportunities in different fields of education and research. The University is also implementing the NEP 2020 as per Government's mandate. The House also noted that there are many safety related issues being faced by the campus residents, particularly by women students.

The members said that providing access to any private land owner through the University property is not possible as this would result in various issues compromising the safety of the campus, loss of peace on the campus, entry of miscreants, increasing litter on the campus etc. Further, there are many such litigations where in such access is being demanded. Accepting any single request is going to set the precedence which could lead to a dangerous situation as said above. It is for this reasons the University is not in favour of allowing any fresh access through its property. The Members therefore said that the University should request the Government to cancel all such proposals under ODP or regional plan to show access through the University property.

Hence, the House unanimously decided to resolve the following.

RESOLUTION VII:

- 1. The Registrar is directed to continue with the stand of the Executive Council of not approving inclusion of such proposed items like ODP road, playground in the site plan of the University. Also, no permission shall be granted to for any access through the University property. Consequently, the existing litigations to be continued as per the applicable legal provisions / legal advice.
- 2. The Vice-Chancellor may discuss the matter with the Hon'ble Governor of Goa and Chancellor of the University and the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa to requesting them to do the needful in the matter.

The House authorized the Registrar to bring the content of this resolution to the notice of University's Legal Counsel for further needful in the said matter.

(Action: University Engineer/ Assistant Registrar (Legal))

D 1.8 (vii) Matter Pertaining to the University Library.

The House noted the decisions taken by the IXth Executive Council in the said (F.A.59/2006 and F.A. 244/2006) matter and that the Appellant Party, did not accept the proposition made by the House about the land directly attached to the MDR opposite to All India Radio. The House also noted the origin of this issue and the fact that the Appellant party had accepted additional compensation of Rupees Nine Lakh paid by the

State Government in the year 2008 as per the order dated 14/07/2007 passed by the Hon'ble High Court, Panaji-Goa.

The Xth Executive Council unanimously expressed that they have taken a clear and consistent stand in the land related matters. Accordingly, the Goa University is the only University in the State of Goa and is supposed to have its existence for hundreds of years and is supposed to serve many future generations of the Goan Society. Presently, it is just thirty-eight-year-old and many new building infrastructural projects have been approved by the IXth and Xth Executive Councils and are being executed to serve the need of Goan students for providing them with opportunities in different fields of education and research. The University is also implementing the NEP 2020 as per Government's mandate. The House also noted that there are many safety related issues being faced by the campus residents, particularly by women students.

In view of the above, the House unanimously decided to resolve as follows.

RESOLUTION VIII:

- 1. The Executive Council resolved to review the decision of the Xth Executive Council (24th Meeting of IX EC dated 31/05/2019 and 26th Meeting of IX EC dated 16/08/2019) of the University land offering 1000 sqmt of land opposite to AIR property.
- 2. It is resolved to request all the concerned that instead of providing any parcel of land to the Appellant party, a suitable revised compensation amount may be worked out and paid to the Appellant Party by the State Government as a full and final settlement in the matter.

The House authorized the Registrar to bring the content of this resolution to the notice of Principle Secretary (Finance) during the meeting scheduled on 02/03/2023 in the said matter.

(Action: University Engineer/ Assistant Registrar (Legal))

D 1.8 (viii) Allocation of funds for the work of Construction of Lecture Hall building and building for Computer Science Block.

The House was informed that the construction of Lecture Hall building and building for Computer Science Block was undertaken under RUSA 2.0 grants. The work orders to commence the works were issued on 08/10/2020 and 09/07/2021, respectively. The accepted tender costs were Rs.2,83,49,974.65 (excluding GST) + Rs.10,26,61,414.00 (excluding GST) and the work orders were placed for the same amount.

Out of total grants of Rs.20.00 Cr under RUSA 2.0, Rs.10.00 Cr was allocated for new construction works.

The projected completion cost of new construction works being constructed under RUSA 2.0 is as under:-

- 1. Lecture Hall building......Rs.3,25,09,110.00
- 2. Computer Science Building......<u>Rs 12,05,64,866.75</u> Total (Inclusive of GST).....**Rs.15, 30, 73,976.70**

Thus there is a shortfall of Rs.5,30,73,977.00 for completion of the above projects.

It was informed that as per the current status of the works, the Lecture Hall Building has been completed and is undergoing system checks and 35 % of the Computer Science buildings have been completed and the work is at present stalled for want of funds. Out of the total allocation of Rs.10.00 Cr of RUSA 2.0 funds, only Rs.5.00 Cr have been received so far by the University and the balance is awaited.

Necessity is felt to allocate the funds to the tune of Rs. 5.31 Crores which are required over and above the RUSA funds from the University General funds to complete both the projects in all respects which will allow the University to clear the outstanding payments of the contractor and avoid claims and litigations arising on account of delay in payment of dues.

RESOLUTION IX: The Executive Council approved for the allocation of funds for the work of Construction of Lecture Hall building and building for Computer Science Block.

Further, the House noted that an amount of Rs.10.00 Crore received from the RUSA 2.0 funds were allocated for new construction works.

(Action: University Engineer)

The meeting ended with thanks to the members.

Sd/-(Prof. V. S. Nadkarni) REGISTRAR

Sd/-(Prof. H. B. Menon) VICE-CHANCELLOR