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Minutes of the Fourteenth Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on Thursday, 16th June, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council hall of Goa University under the Chairpersonship of the Vice-Chancellor, Goa University.

Members Present

Shri Ratnakar Ganesh Lele Member Prof. Sudhir Singh Member Shri Shrinivas Vasudeva Sinai Dempo Member Shri Sudin Nayak Member Dr. Ajit Parulekar Member Prof. Kaustubh R. S. Priolkar Member Dr. Neena S. P. Panandikar Member Prof. Jyoti D. Pawar Member

Registrar Member Secretary (Ex-Officio)

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

Shri Arjun Chowgule Member
Dr. Seshadri Chari Member
Prof. (Dr.) Gopal Singh Nayal Member

Secretary (Education) Member (Ex-Officio)
Secretary (Finance) Member (Ex-Officio)

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the esteemed members to the Fourteenth meeting of the Tenth Executive Council.

The Vice-Chancellor informed the House that Prof. M. K. Janarthanam, former Executive Council member superannuated from University services on 31st May, 2022. The Chairperson stated that Prof. Janarthanam has made an immense contribution in the growth and expansion of the University. His dedication, commitment and attitude towards the various tasks which he has successfully completed have been an inspiration to the entire University. The House places on record its respect and appreciation to Prof. Janarthanam for his outstanding and exceptional contribution to the University.

The Vice-Chancellor also welcomed Prof. Jyoti Pawar, who has been nominated as a Member of the Executive Council for the residual period subsequent to superannuation of Prof. Janarthanam.

The Vice-Chancellor also informed the House that the Annual Convocation of University has been tentatively decided to be held on 30th July, 2022 and it has been proposed to invite Hon'ble Education Minister of India, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan ji, as the Chief Guest for the said Convocation.

The Vice Chancellor briefed the Hon'ble Members of the House regarding his meeting with the Secretaries of Ministries of Science and Technology (DST) and Earth Sciences (MoEs) at New Delhi on 9th May 2022. The meeting was to explore the possibility of central funding for various expansion plan of Goa University. To a query on the progress of a proposal submitted earlier, for funding to the tune of Rs.10 Crores, for a new building to house School of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences, the Secretary replied affirmatively and said it was under the consideration of a committee dealing with such proposals.

The Vice Chancellor also informed the possibility of getting Rs.50 Crores from MoEs to establish a Biology laboratory as a part of India's Deep-Sea mission. The Secretary informed that this was originally planned to setup in South Goa, at ONGC campus. However, after a prolonged discussion, the Secretary expressed his willingness to establish the lab at Goa University Campus, provided the Central Minister of Science and Technology, who is the chairperson of the committee, approve the proposal. Subsequently, he informed that his meeting with the Secretary of Science and Technology too was good. The Secretary had asked to submit a two page concept paper of various future expansion plans of Goa University and said the proposal can be to the tune of Rs.20-25 Crores.

Thereafter the agenda was taken up for discussion.

D 1.1 (i) To confirm the minutes of the Thirteenth meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on 19th April, 2022.

RESOLUTION I: The Executive Council confirmed the minutes of the Thirteenth meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on 19th April, 2022 after incorporating some minor changes as given below.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin.(Non-Teaching))

D 1.2 (i) Action taken on the minutes of the Thirteenth meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on 19th April, 2022.

RESOLUTION II: The Executive Council noted the action taken on various decisions as per the minutes of the Thirteenth meeting of the Tenth Executive

Council held on 19th April, 2022, with the modifications as under to the following Resolutions:

RESOLUTION XI pertaining to Proposal of Non-Teaching employees of Goa University to convert a few posts of Senior Stenographers as Head Clerks.

The Registrar requested the House to reconsider its earlier decision taken on 19th April, 2022. He informed that the Association of Non-teaching staff was not happy with the earlier decision and has requested for its reconsideration. There are instances where many LDCs retired as LDCs without any promotion in the entire career while Junior Stenographers get better chances for promotion up to the level of Assistant Registrars.

It is proposed that the promotion of four presently existing Junior Stenographers to Senior Stenographers, will be carried out as per the existing Recruitment Rules and they will continue to have their further promotions to Head Clerk/Superintendent/Assistant Registrar as it was happening in the past. The above proposed arrangement may be applied only for future cases i.e., fresh recruits as Junior Stenographers in or after the year 2022 once the formal approval of the State Government is received.

RESOLUTION XI: The Executive Council resolved to promote the existing Junior Stenographers against four posts of Senior Stenographers as per the prevailing Recruitment Rules so that they continue to have their further promotions to Head Clerk/Superintendent/Assistant Registrar as it has happened in the past. Further, the House approved the proposal to convert three posts of Senior Stenographers as Head Clerks in the same pay level and to convert three posts of Junior Stenographers as UDCs in the same pay level, subject to the approval of the State Government.

RESOLUTION XIV pertaining to Part amendment to Ordinance OA-6.3(A)17 regarding increase in the Remuneration of Ph.D. Thesis and Conduct of Viva.

RESOLUTION XIV: The Executive Council approved the part amendment to Ordinance OA-6.3(A)17 regarding the Remuneration for evaluation of Ph.D. Thesis and for Conduct of Viva. The House suggested that instead of specific rates of remuneration in the clauses of the Ordinances, the phrase that "amount of remuneration/honorarium shall be as decided by the competent authority from time to time" shall be stated in the relevant places to avoid frequent amendments to the Ordinance.

(Action: AR-Admin(NT)/Controller of Examinations)

D 1.3.2 (i) Consideration of the minutes of the Sixth meeting of the Xth Academic Council held on 17th November, 2021.

RESOLUTION III: The Executive Council approved the minutes of the Sixth meeting of the Xth Academic Council held on 17th November, 2021.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Academic (General))

D 1.3.2 (ii) Consideration of the Fourth meeting of the Standing Committee of the Xth Academic Council held on 9th December, 2021.

RESOLUTION IV: The Executive Council approved the minutes of the Fourth meeting of the Standing Committee of the Xth Academic Council held on 9th December, 2021.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Academic (General))

D 1.4.1 (i) To consider the recommendations of the Grievance and Pre-screening Committee in respect of Prof. R. B. Tangsali for revision of dates of eligibility for placement as Reader under Career Advancement Scheme.

RESOLUTION V: The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Grievance and Pre-screening Committee in respect of Prof. R. B. Tangsali for the revision in the dates of eligibility for placement as Reader under Career Advancement Scheme as under:

Designation	Existing Date	Revised Eligibility Date	
Reader	27.07.1998	01.09.1995	
		SA-19(xi and xiii)	

Further, the House suggested that the matter be forwarded to the State Government for approval.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin. (Teaching))

D 1.4.1 (ii) Assessment report data with respect to the probation and confirmation of newly recruited Assistant Professor.

RESOLUTION VI: The Executive Council resolved to confirm the services of the following Assistant Professor having completed the mandatory period of probation.

Name of the Assistant Discipline School Professor	Date of Date Joining Compl University of Prob Services Peri	tion ation
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Dr. Mukund V. Narvenkar	Latin American Studies	School of International and Area Studies	01.06.2021	31.05.2022
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(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin. (Teaching))

D 1.7 (i) To consider the proposed new Ordinance OA-XX relating to the three years Degree Programme of Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W).

RESOLUTION VII: The Executive Council approved the proposed New Ordinance OA-XX relating to the three years Degree Programme of Bachelor of Social Work (B.S.W) at Goa University.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Legal)

D 1.7 (ii) To consider the proposed Part amendment to Ordinance OC-74 relating to B.Sc. (Honours) Fashion and Apparel Design & B.Sc. (Honours) Interior Design Programmes of Goa University (Effective from the Academic Year 2019-2020).

RESOLUTION VIII: The Executive Council approved the proposed part amendment to Ordinance OC-74 relating to B.Sc. (Honours) Fashion and Apparel Design & B.Sc. (Honours) Interior Design Programmes of Goa University.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Legal)

D 1.7 (iii) To consider the proposed Part Amendment to Ordinance OC-76.

RESOLUTION IX: The Executive Council approved the proposed part amendment to Ordinance OC-76 regarding the award of Post-Graduate Master Degree Programmes in Allied Health Sciences under the Faculty of Medicine.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Legal)

D 1.7 (iv) Proposed New Ordinance OC-XX relating to the award of a Four-year Bachelor of Science (Nursing) Degree.

RESOLUTION X: The Executive Council approved the proposed New Ordinance OC-XX regarding the award of Four year Bachelor of Science (Nursing) Degree.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Legal)

D 1.8 (i) Proposal for admitting students to consider award of Degrees/Diplomas in presentia at the Convocation or in absentia at any time after the approval of the Executive Council.

RESOLUTION XI: The Executive Council approved the proposal for admitting the students for award of Degrees/Diplomas in presentia at the convocation or in absentia at any time after the approval of the Executive Council in the respective Faculty/School.

The motion moved by Prof. Kaustubh R. S. Priolkar Dean, School of Physical and Applied Sciences on behalf of the Dean, Goa Business School, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Dean, School of Chemical Sciences, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Dean, School of Earth, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences, Dean, School of Biological Sciences & Biotechnology, Dean, Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Governance and Public Policy, and Dean, Faculty of Performing, fine Arts & Music, was approved by the House.

The motion was proposed by Prof. Sudhir Singh and was seconded by Shri Shrinivas Vasudeva Sinai Dempo.

(Action: Controller of Examinations)

D 1.8 (ii) Matter pertaining to mapping of Academic – Administrative processes.

RESOLUTION XII: The Executive Council in principle approved the proposal for hiring the services of experts to carry out the exercise of mapping of various academic-administrative processes for streamlining and optimizing such processes.

Further, it was suggested to explore the possibility of obtaining the details of agencies hired for such exercise by other Universities.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin(NT))

D 1.8 (iii) Matter regarding air conditioner repair/replacement work to be carried out in faculty block-E.

RESOLUTION XIII: The Executive Council suggested to accept the proposed option 2 as follows with an estimated cost of Rs.75,70,416/-:

Option 2: Replace the16 ODUs out of 30 ODUs with latest Daikin VRV X units and are certain of repairs to 6 old ODUs by cannibalizing the available spares from the existing Daikin VRV III units. The Laboratories and offices where proper air-conditioning have been prioritized after discussion with the actual users at the Faculty Block-E. The remaining 14 ODUs can be repaired eventually with the latest VRV X system depending on the available finances.

It was also suggested that attempts should be made to finalize A.M.C. terms for the said air-conditioning system for a period of at least three years with the concerned party.

(Action: University Engineer)

D 1.8 (iv) Bharat Ka Amrut Mahotsav (75 years of India's Independence).

RESOLUTION XIV: The Executive Council noted the various activities conducted by the University Schools and Affiliated Colleges regarding the celebration of "Bharat Ka Amrut Mahotsav" across India. So far, the activities are reported to have been conducted by 31 Colleges and 15 the then Departments of Goa University.

(Action: Deputy Registrar, DSW)

D 1.8 (v) To consider the matter relating to grant of recognition to M/s. Syngenta Research and Technology Centre, Corlim Goa.

RESOLUTION XV: The Executive Council resolved to reconsider its earlier decision and decided to grant approval to relax the requirements of Statute SC-1 (ii) and (ix) (1) and to start the process pertaining to re-recognition of M/s. Syngenta Research and Technology Centre-Goa.

Further, the House also accepted the request of M/s. Syngenta Research and Technology Centre to announce the Ph.D. vacancies for admissions during the August-September session of academic year 2022-2023, pending completion of all formalities for grant of recognition as per the statutory provisions.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Acad(General))

D 1.8 (vi) Annual Report of Goa University for the year 2020-2021.

RESOLUTION XVI: The Executive Council approved the Annual Report of Goa University for the year 2020-2021.

Further, the members of the House suggested to improve structure and quality of Annual Report with the following observations:

- 1. The sessions under VRPP Scheme shall be shown for the specific year 2020-2021.
- 2. To adopt uniform format for the presentation of the information pertaining to the Schools.
- 3. To include the snapshot of Research activities in the University.
- 4. To provide the synopsis/executive summary of the entire report in the beginning.

- 5. To include details of faculty, non-teaching Staff and students.
- 6. To include number of Ph.D. Degree awarded.
- 7. To specify the publications /articles details in a uniform format.

It was advised to correct the soft copy of the report with the inclusion of above before any further action is taken on the Annual report.

The members suggested that the faculty from the Arts & Humanities should enhance their research activities.

(Action: Chairman, Annual Report Preparation Committee and DIQA, Goa University)

R1 (i) To consider the proposed part amendment to Ordinance OA-20 relating to the Policy of Admission to the Post-Graduate Academic Programmes of Goa University (Under Section 24(1) of the Goa University Act, 1984) (Applicable for candidates who register from the academic year 2018-19 onwards).

RESOLUTION XVII: The Executive Council ratified the action of the Vice-Chancellor in approving the proposed part amendment to Ordinance OA-20 relating to the Policy of Admission to the Post-Graduate Academic Programmes of Goa University.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Acad(PG))

A.O.B. 1: The Vice-Chancellor informed the House about the problems being faced in execution of new projects of the University w. r. t. getting construction permissions from government authorities for the proposed new buildings for academic purposes.

It was informed that the Town and Country Planning (TCP) authorities, particularly Greater Panaji Planning and Development Authority (GPPDA) has been asking the University to include certain items like ODP roads, playground etc in the site plans submitted while applying for construction permissions. The University had however objected to include such proposed things by the GPPDA in the site plans. It was also informed that in response to applications made by some private players, the GPPDA has even instructed the University to accept easement right and provide approach road through University's property. After seeking legal advice from the University's Counsel, all such things have been challenged by the University in the appropriate Courts of Law.

The Registrar also informed that there are many such litigations where as per the legal procedure, the government authorities like TCP Board or GPPDA are required to be the respondents which has resulted in a situation where two government bodies are fighting with each other. He informed that recently during the hearing of two such cases (WP 567/2019 and 353/2021), Hon'ble High Court of Goa directed the Chief Secretary (CS), Government of Goa to mediate between the parties to find amicable solution. He also informed the House about the minutes of said meetings with the CS dated 21/04/2022

and 26/04/2022 communicated by the GPPDA which have been received on 15/06/2022. He said that the Legal Counsel of the University wanted to know about further course of action in the matter.

It was further informed that the CS appeared to be of the view that the University should accept the contention of the GPPDA and agree to do the things proposed by them as the University has not purchased its land from the Government. It was informed that accepting this would result not only in losing some property of the University but this could be used as a precedence by many other private parties to ask for access to their property through the University property. In some of the activities, University has considerably lost large areas, one such activity is widening of MDR. The Registrar wanted to know whether the present stand taken by the University of not surrendering any further land for such purposes that finally serve the purposes of private property owners surrounding the University land is to be maintained or not.

The House noted that any University is for generations to come and supposed to last for hundreds of years. The Goa University is still more than a decade away from its Golden jubilee and hence it is extremely important to consider the wisdom and the foresight of the forefathers of the State of Goa who allotted about 400 acres of land to the only public University of this State. After a thorough discussion in the matter, the House unanimously decided to resolve the following.

RESOLUTION XVIII: The Executive Council resolved the following:

- 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. Consequently, the existing litigations to be continued as per the applicable legal provisions / legal advice.
- 2. A revised Master plan showing the future development of the University property to be made indicating usage of the property and placed before the House for its approval.
- 3. Attempts to be made to discuss the same with Hon'ble Governor of Goa and Chancellor of the University and Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa to apprise them of the said Master Plan.

(Action: University Engineer)

A.O.B. 2: Proposed Statute regarding the formation of the Goa University Campus Students Union.

The Registrar informed the House that the said matter was discussed as per Agenda No. D 1.7 (Vi) during the 11th meeting of the House, held on 07/02/2022. The office of the Hon'ble Chancellor has however suggested that

since the University has successfully implemented the said Rule R-03 so far to elect the the Goa University Campus Students Union, it is advisable that the University continues to use the amended Rule R-03 by the Executive Council as it is without converting it into a statute.

RESOLUTION XIX: The Executive Council resolved to withdraw the proposed conversion of Rule R-03 to Schedule SSB-2 regarding the formation of the Goa University Campus Students Union as suggested by the office of the Hon'ble Chancellor. Consequently, the amended Rule R-03 shall be used elect the Goa University Campus Students Union.

(Action: Deputy Registrar, DSW/Assistant Registrar (Legal))

A.O.B. 3: Matter regarding Robotics and Artificial Intelligence.

RESOLUTION XX: The Executive Council suggested to prepare a concrete proposal of the Syllabus and Course content of the Minor Degree Courses in Engineering disciplines in general and that in Robotics and Artificial Intelligence in particular and requested the Vice-Chancellor to present the proposal before the Hon'ble members of the House during the next meeting.

Further, it was suggested to involve Dr. Seshadri Chari, Member of the Executive Council in the preparation of syllabus and course content for his inputs.

(Action: Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Assistant Registrar-Acad(PG))

The meeting ended with thanks to the members.

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

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