

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF BIHAR

(Established under Central Universities Act, 2009)

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MINUTES OF THE 13TH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Date: November 13, 2014 Time: 11:00 AM

Venue: CUB Conference Hall, BIT Campus, Patna

Members Present

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| 1. | Prof. Debdas Banerjee, Vice Chancellor | - | Ex-officio Chairman |
| 2. | Prof. (Dr.) A. Lakshminath | - | Member |
| 3. | Prof. Rajmani Prasad Sinha | - | Member |
| 4. | Prof. A.K. Bhatnagar | - | Member |
| 5. | Prof. Bijay Singh Mipun | - | Member |
| 6. | Dr. Rizwanul Haque | - | Member |
| 7. | Dr. Alok Kumar Gupta | - | Member |
| 8. | Dr. Kamla Nand Jha | - | Member |
| 9. | Dr. R. Rajesh | - | Member |
| 10. | Dr. Kaushal Kishore | - | Member |
| 11. | Dr. Pradhan Parth Sarthi | - | Member |
| 12. | Dr. Rajesh Kumar Ranjan | - | Member |
| 13. | Dr. Vivek Kumar Jain | - | Member |
| 14. | Dr. Narsingh Kumar | - | Member |
| 15. | Ms. Anju Helen Bara | - | Member |
| 16. | Prof. M. Nehal | - | Ex-officio Secretary |

Special Invitee

17. Dr. C.Lakshmi Prabhavathi, Controller of Examinations

Members who could not attend on account of pre-occupation

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| 1. | Prof. Sayed E. Hasnain | - | Member |
| 2. | Prof. Jandhyala B.G. Tilak | - | Member |

At the outset the Chairman welcomed all the members of Academic Council and thanked them for sparing their valuable time for attending the meeting in Patna. He expressed special thanks to the external members for attending the meeting in spite of their busy timetables.

Agenda No. 01/AC-13/14

Confirmation of the Minutes of the 12th Meeting of the Academic Council held on February 24, 2014. (vide APPENDIX- '1')

Note: The Minutes were circulated on March 20, 2014 vide e-mail dated March 20, 2014 with a request to offer comments, if any, by March 27, 2014.

Resolution No. 01/AC-13/14

No comment/observation was received by March 20, 2014.

While confirming the Minutes Prof. Bhatnagar expressed his reservation on the Resolution No. 06/AC-12/14 regarding giving responsibility of academic leadership including nominating them as HoD in respective departments/centres to Professors who have joined CUB post superannuation.

The AC resolved to refer the issue to EC for resolution.

Academic Council confirmed the Minutes of the 12th Academic Council held on February 24, 2014 with the above observation.

Agenda No. 02/AC-13/14

The Secretary to apprise the members with the '**Action Taken Report**' in pursuance of the decisions taken in the 12th Academic Council meeting held on February 24, 2014. (vide APPENDIX- '2').

Resolution No. 02/AC-13/14

The Academic Council noted the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions taken in the 12th Academic Council meeting held on February 24, 2014.

Agenda No. 03/AC-13/14

The Chairman to apprise the members of the Academic Council about the academic activities of the University.

Resolution No. 03/AC-13/14

The Chairman presented a brief account of progress of the University during the intervening period encompassing teaching, research and other extracurricular activities:

- i. The Chairman apprised about the establishment, later development and inauguration of Babu Jagjivan Ram Chair on 26th February, 2014 at Gaya by Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat, Chairman, ICSSR. The post of Chair-Professor has been re-advertised by the Foundation, the closing date for which being 16.11.2014.
- ii. The Chairman informed about the Foundation Stone Laying Ceremony held on 27th February, 2014. Subsequent to transfer of defence land at Panchanpur in

Gaya, officially by the GoI the foundation stone of 300 acres campus of Central University of Bihar was laid down by Hon'ble Chancellor Smt. Meira Kumar amidst great enthusiasm and fervour in the gracious presence of the Founder Vice-Chancellor Prof. Janak Pandey, Sh. P. K. Shahi, Minister of HRD, Govt. of Bihar along with Sh. Sushil Kumar Singh, MP, Aurangabad, Sh. Hari Manjhi, MP, Gaya and Dr. Anil Kumar, MLA, Tikari.

iii. He reported on the construction work at the site and informed that the first package of the first phase has started.

iv. The Chairman presented notes on the student admission process as conducted by UATEC of the University for the academic year 2014-15. He informed that, following the 18th EC resolution, CUB stayed away from CUCET and conducted separate all-India entrance examination, i.e. Central University of Bihar Entrance Test (CUBET – 2014). The online examination (MCQ test) was conducted at fifteen (15) centres across India for admission in six (06) Integrated M.Phil-Ph.D, sixteen (16) Postgraduate Programmes and four (04) Undergraduate Programmes in the academic year 2014-15, successfully on 31st May and 1st June, 2014, in three (03) shifts on each day. A total of 2,259 valid candidates applied for CUBET-2014, out of which 2,127 appeared in the MCQ test. The results were declared on CUB website on 4th June, 2014. After going through written test and interview the eligible candidates took admission in respective programmes, out of the Merit List(s), in June, 2014. Altogether, 122 students took admission in four undergraduate programmes, 261 students in 16 PG programmes and 10 students in six integrated MPhil-PhD programmes. Amongst the admitted students, 35 are from outside the state of Bihar. As compared to last year, there is an increase in enrolment by 50 percent. Boys-girls ratio stands now at 55 : 45. About 45% of all the students of CUB have been provided hostel accommodation. The present teacher-students ratio of the University is 1 : 9.

v. He informed that from July session of 2014, CUB started integrated MPhil-PhD programmes in five more subjects. He further informed that, from this session Centre for Economic Studies was shifted to Gaya Campus, following the resolution of EC.

vi. He apprised that the University has consistently been trying to obtain approval for its current technical and professional programmes from the respective regulatory bodies. At present CUB is offering three such

programmes, viz. MTech in Computer Science, 4-Year Integrated Dual Degree BA / BSc BEd and 5-Year Integrated BA / BSc LLB (Hons.). On June 10, 2014 the University received the Letter of Approval (LoA) from AICTE for its MTech Computer Science Programme. The visits by teams from NCTE and BCI, respectively, are expected soon.

- vii. He informed that a MoU has been signed between CUB and Shosit Seva Sangh (SSS), an NGO engaged in educational upliftment of one of the most backward communities, i.e. *Musahars* with the objectives of development, research, evaluation and training collaborations on 8th May, 2014 as a part of the University's social outreach programme.
- viii. He informed about the various seminars/ conferences/ workshops organized by various departments/centres in the intervening period.
- ix. He informed the House about the serious space crunch in both Patna and Gaya campus for further expansion of teaching and research programmes.

Agenda No. 04/AC-13/14

To consider the Annual Report -2013-14 (vide **APPENDIX- '3'**)

Resolution No. 04/AC-13/14

The Secretary presented the salient points of the Annual Report – 2013-14. The Academic Council noted the salient points of the Annual Report.

Agenda No. 05/AC-13/14

(i) To report the UGC D.O.No. 1-52/2013 (CC/NSQF) dated 30.04.2014 regarding incorporating all important elements of the **National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF)** (vide **APPENDIX- '4'**)

(ii) To consider the re-constitution of **Equivalence Committee** for recognising the Diplomas / Degrees awarded by other Institutions.

Resolution No. 05/AC-13/14

(i) The Chairman explained, in brief, the National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF). The Academic Council considered the UGC direction to give weightage to the Vocational subjects at par with any other general education subjects while considering the admission of the students to the UG/PG courses so that the students may get easy entry and exit opportunities and resolved to implement it.

(ii) The Academic Council resolved to reconstitute the Equivalence Committee with the following members:

1. Prof. Rajmani Prasad Sinha -Chairperson
2. Prof. A. Lakshminath -Member
3. Dr. Rizwanul Haque -Member
4. Dr. C. L. Prabhavathi -Member-Secretary

Agenda No. 06/AC-13/14 Reporting the progress for NAAC Accreditation– constitution of the **Steering Committee for NAAC**. (vide **APPENDIX–‘5’**)

Resolution No. 06/AC-13/14 The Chairman briefed the MHRD and UGC Directive regarding UGC mandatory assessment and accreditation of higher educational institutions (Regulations 2012) and mentioned the initiatives taken by the University in this regard. In pursuance of UGC instruction, the University has constituted a Steering Committee to prepare the Self Study Report (SSR). The Committee has been working on it. The University still requires approvals from the regulatory bodies for its Law and Education programmes in order to submit the Letter of Intent (LoI) for NAAC accreditation. So far, University has got approval from AICTE for MTech Programme. NCTE has accorded its approval of syllabus of the education programmes. Pending such approvals, the University has begun ground works for accreditation.

Agenda No. 07/AC-13/14 To report University newsletter- CUB Times (vide **APPENDIX– ‘6’**)

Resolution No. 07/AC-13/14 The CUB Times, 2014 recording the activities in the University during January-June, 2014 was placed. The Academic Council appreciated the contributions of the persons who have prepared it.

Agenda No. 08/AC-13/14 Reporting about the retreat of Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities held on 12th & 13th September, 2014 in Chandigarh (vide **APPENDIX– ‘7’**)

Resolution No. 08/AC-13/14 The Chairman reported about the Retreat of Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities with the Hon'ble HRM Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani held in Chandigarh on 12th and 13th September, 2014 and briefed the record of discussion and action points emerged in the said meeting.

The Academic Council noted the Minutes of the Retreat meeting of Vice-Chancellors of Central Universities as sent by MHRD and resolved to take actions accordingly.

Agenda No. 09/AC-13/14 To consider the constitution of various Committees for smooth functioning of the University.
(vide APPENDIX- '8')

Resolution No. 09/AC-13/14 The Academic Council considered the constitution of (i) Equal Opportunity Cell, (ii) Task Force for Women (iii) Career Counselling and Placement Cell (iv) Proctorial Board (v) Cultural Committee and (vi) Games and Sports Committee and resolved to approve it.

Agenda No. 10/AC-13/14 To consider the **Regulations for Teaching and Evaluation for Integrated UG and PG Programmes** - for approval.
(vide APPENDIX- '9')

Resolution No. 10/AC-13/14 The Academic Council considered the Regulation for Teaching and Evaluation for Integrated UG and PG Programmes and resolved to approve for adoption with immediate effect.

Agenda No. 11/AC-13/14 To consider the **Regulation for Teaching and Evaluation for Integrated MPhil-PhD Programmes** - for approval.
(vide APPENDIX- '10')

Resolution No. 11/AC-13/14 The Academic Council considered the Regulation for Teaching and Evaluation for Integrated MPhil-PhD Programmes.

Agenda No. 12/AC-13/14 Reporting the on-going Research Projects in the University.
(vide APPENDIX- '11')

Resolution No. 12/AC-13/14 The status of on-going Sponsored Research Projects funded by UGC and other was reported to the Academic Council. The Academic Council resolved to record it.

Agenda No. 13/AC-13/14 To report about the security features proposed to be incorporated on various certificates to be issued to the students – for approval (vide APPENDIX- '12')

Resolution No. 13/AC-13/14 Controller of Examinations detailed about the security features proposed to be incorporated on various certificates to be issued to the students. Academic Council considered the proposed security features and resolved to approve it. Academic Council further advised to incorporate photograph of the student on the cumulative grade sheet, if possible.

- Agenda No. 14/AC-13/14** To report about the constitution of **CRDC / DRDC** of various Centres / Departments which are offering Integrated MPhil-PhD Programmes (vide **APPENDIX-‘13’**)
- Resolution No. 14/AC-13/14** The Academic Council considered the constitution of CRDC/DRDC of various Centres/Departments offering Integrated MPhil.-PhD Programmes and resolved to approve it.
- Agenda No. 15/AC-13/14** To consider the **B. Voc Programme** in Arts & Crafts – considering the syllabus (vide **APPENDIX-‘14’**)
- Resolution No. 15/AC-13/14** The Academic Council noted the initiatives taken, the Expert Meet held on 5th April, 2014 and also considered the outline of the syllabus for the proposed Programme and resolved to approve it for further necessary actions.
- Agenda No. 16/AC-13/14** To consider the proposal of Community College (vide **APPENDIX- ‘15’**)
- Resolution No. 16/AC-13/14** The Chairman informed about the MHRD communication to adopt/establish a Community College to impart skill based education to the local unemployed youth and link them to the industries/trade in the region and the follow up meeting held with representatives from various NGOs and other concerned organisations on 26th June, 2014 at CUB.
- The Secretary apprised the members that earlier a proposal for Community College had been sent to MHRD. The Academic Council resolved to record it.
- Agenda No. 17/AC-13/14** To approve the Minutes of the Board of Studies of Department of **Statistics** (vide **APPENDIX- ‘16’**)
- Resolution No. 17/AC-13/14** The Academic Council considered the recommendations of the Board of Studies regarding syllabi of Integrated MPhil-PhD and MSc and resolved to approve these for implementation from July 2014 onwards; and, the changes made in the syllabi of 3rd and 4th semesters for the 2013-15 batch of MSc programme. It was further commented that there is no need for starting a fresh publication of Journal of Statistics housed in CUB.
- Agenda No. 18/AC-13/14** To approve the Minutes of the Board of Studies meeting of Centre for Biological Sciences (**Bioinformatics**) (vide **APPENDIX-‘17’**)
- Resolution No. 18/AC-13/14** The Academic Council considered the recommendations of Board of Studies regarding MSc (Bioinformatics) syllabus for implementation from 2014-16 batch onwards and resolved to

approve it with a few critical observations regarding appropriateness of the suggested reference books for BIS-502 : Mathematics .

Agenda No. 19/AC-13/14 To approve the Minutes of the Board of Studies meeting of Department of Computer Science (**MSc in Computer Science Syllabus**) (vide APPENDIX- '18')

Resolution No. 19/AC-13/14 The Academic Council considered the recommendations of Board of Studies of Department of Computers Science and resolved to approve the syllabus of MSc in Computer Science for introduction from July 2014.

Agenda No. 20/AC-13/14 To consider the MHRD Letter No. F.No. 3-9/2008-Desk (U) (Part) dated 20.06.2014 for considering allocation of Chair Professor in the name of Maulana Hasrat Mohani –reg. (vide APPENDIX- '19')

Resolution No. 20/AC-13/14 The Academic Council considered the MHRD letter regarding a Chair Professor in the name of Maulana Hasrat Mohani and resolved to seek from MHRD the terms & conditions attached to the chair to proceed further.

Agenda No. 21/AC-13/14 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

Agenda No. 21(i)/AC-13/14 To consider the draft of the guidelines for PG Dissertation.

Resolution No. 21(i)/AC-13/14 The Academic Council considered the prepared guidelines for Dissertation and resolved to refer it back to the Committee to revise in the light of the suggestions of the Members and submit it afresh for consideration in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

Agenda No.21 (ii)/AC-13/14 To consider the draft of the guidelines for Post-Doctoral Fellowship

Resolution No. 21(ii)/AC-13/14 The Academic Council considered the draft for Post-Doctoral Fellowship and resolved to refer it back to the Committee to revise in the light of the suggestions and comments made by the Members and submit it afresh for consideration in the next meeting of Academic Council.

Agenda No. 21(iii)/AC-13/14 Constitution of Department Committee (DC)/Centre Committee (CC) for existing Centres/Departments

- Resolution No.21 (iii)/AC-13/14** The Academic Council considered the constitution of Department Committee (DC)/ Centre Committee (CC) and resolved to approve it.
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- Agenda No. 21 (iv)/AC-13/14** Reconstitution of Board of Studies for (i) Centre for Psychological Sciences and (ii) Centre for Political Studies
- Resolution No. 21(iv)/AC-13/14** Academic Council considered the reconstitution of Board of Studies for Centre for Psychological Sciences and resolved to approve it.
- Academic Council considered the reconstitution of Board of Studies for Centre for Political Studies and resolved to approve it.
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- Agenda No.21 (v)/AC-13/14** To consider Minutes of BoS of Centre for Biological Sciences (Life Science Programme) regarding syllabus of Life Science Courses of Education Programme (session 2013-14) & (session 2014-18 onwards) and M.Sc. Life Science (session 2013-15 onwards)
- Resolution No.21(v)/AC-13/14** Academic Council considered the recommendations of BoS of Centre for Biological Sciences regarding syllabus of Life Science Courses of Undergraduate Education Programme (session 2013-14) & (session 2014-18 onwards) and M.Sc. Life Science (session 2013-15 onwards) and resolved to approve it.
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- Agenda No.21(vi)/AC-13/14** To report UGC letter D.O.No.F.1-1/2014(secy) dated 12.11.2014 regarding guidelines for adoption of uniform Choice-Based Credit System across all the universities to be introduced from the Academic Year 2015-16
- Resolution No.21(vi) AC-13/14** Academic Council considered the UGC letter D.O.No.F.1-1/2014(secy) dated 12.11.2014 regarding guidelines for adoption of uniform Choice-Based Credit System across all the universities. The Academic Council further noted that the university has already implemented it.
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- Agenda No.21(vii)/AC-13/14** Regarding strengthening the research facility- Observation made by Dr. Kamlanad Jha.
- Resolution No.21(vii)/AC-13/14** The Members opined that more attention be paid to research activities as well as research scholars in the university.

Agenda No.21(viii)/AC-13/14

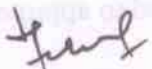
Regarding mess facilities in the hostels in Patna as raised by some of the internal members of AC.

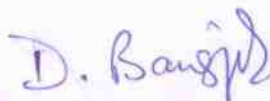
Resolution No.21 (viii)/AC-13/14

Some of the members raised issues related to the mess facilities in the hostels in Patna, especially about the quality of food being served there. Ms. Anju Helan Bara, Member of the Academic Council, who happens to be one of the hostel wardens at Patna Campus, with the kind permission of the Chair, explained the whole issue with adequate information before the House.

After detailed deliberations, the members advised that till the Office of the Dean of Students is not constituted, efforts may be made to involve the students even more into the affairs of hostel management, may be by way of constituting a committee with representatives from the hostel students and a few concerned members of the faculty. The Members appreciated the initiatives and roles of the Proctorial Board and wardens in the management of hostel affairs and further encouraged them to take appropriate measures.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.


(Prof. M. Nehal)
Registrar &
Ex-officio Secretary


(Prof. Debdas Banerjee)
Vice-Chancellor &
Ex-officio Chairman