

CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
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MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE SECOND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
HELD ON 3<sup>RD</sup> MAY, 2014 AT HOTEL PRESIDENCY, ERNAKULAM

The Fifth Meeting of the Second Executive Council was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2014 at Hotel Presidency, Ernakulam.

The following were present:

1	Dr. Jacob Chacko, Acting Vice-Chancellor	Chairperson
2	Dr. Babu Joseph	Member
3	Dr. Darvesh Gopal	Member
4	Dr. Jayakrishnan A	Member
5	Dr. K N Chandrasekharan Pillai	Member
6	Dr. P K Radhakrishnan	Member
7	Dr. Syed Iqbal Hasnain	Member
8	Mr. Sasidharan V, Registrar I/c	Secretary

Dr. E. D. Jemmis had expressed his inability to attend the meeting because of another unavoidable commitment.

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed the members and expressed his gratefulness to them for making it possible to attend the meeting in spite of their busy schedule.

On behalf of the members, the Vice-Chancellor placed on record their sincere and hearty congratulations to Prof. Dr. P. K. Radhakrishnan, who had taken over as Vice-Chancellor of University of Kerala, and to Prof. Dr. E. D. Jemmis, who had been recently conferred with the coveted Padma Shri ward.

The Vice-Chancellor briefed the members about the events that had taken place in quick succession at the end of Feb. 2014. The term of the former Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Jancy James, was due to expire on 1.3.2014. On the 27<sup>th</sup> of Feb., an order was received from the MHRD that her term had been extended for six months or until the appointment of the next incumbent. However, the very next day, it was intimated that the order had been cancelled with immediate effect. As per the provisions of the Act, charge of the Vice-Chancellor was to be handed over to the senior most Professor and that was how he came to be appointed as the Acting Vice-Chancellor. He also stated that during the past two months, he has been holding the fort and trying to ensure that the system continued to function without any hitch.

The agenda items were then taken up for discussion.

EC:02:05:01	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Fourth meeting of the Second Executive Council held on 11 <sup>th</sup> February, 2014
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The Minutes of the fourth meeting of the Executive Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 were confirmed.

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EC:02:05:02

*Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the Fourth meeting of the Second Executive Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2014*

The Action Taken Report on the Fourth meeting of the Second Executive Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 was accepted.

EC:02:05:03

*To ratify the Study Leave granted to Dr. E Prasad*

The Council noted that Dr. E Prasad, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics was selected for Post-doctoral Research Fellowship in the Nuclear Physics Division, Australian National University, Canberra. The programme is said to be closely related to his work and research intending to benefit his research scholars in particular and the University in general. This fellowship is stated to commence w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2014. He had requested for permission to accept the offer for prosecuting the Fellowship and grant for study leave for two years.

Dr. E Prasad has rendered 2 years and 8 months of service at the Central University of Kerala against the minimum requirement of 3 years of continuous service to pursue this kind of study abroad. Before joining the Central University of Kerala, he had served as Assistant Professor in Kasaragod Govt. College for a period of 7 months. Taking the services together, he has rendered more than 3 years of continuous service and has become eligible for study leave.

As there are two civil writs pending in the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala against the appointment of Assistant Professor in the Department of Physics in general, legal opinion from the Standing Counsel was obtained. The Counsel opined that if he is otherwise eligible, study leave can be granted.

Considering the urgency of the issue and to enable Dr. E. Prasad to proceed with all the visa formalities, study leave for two years has been granted to Dr Prasad, subject to ratification by the EC.

The yearly remuneration as per the offer is \$ 92,791. Even though the fellowship or the financial assistance so obtained may not preclude him from being eligible for pay and allowances, the scholarship or the financial assistance received shall be taken into account while fixing the pay and allowances during the period of the stay abroad. In this connection, a reference is invited to UGC letter No.F.1-6/2012 (PS)/Study Leave dated 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2013 which reads that if any scholar in receipt of US \$ 20000 or above per annum, study leave can be granted without pay. Therefore, the study leave was granted without pay from the University.

The decision was ratified.

EC:02:05:04

*To ratify permission granted to Dr. P Prasad for accepting the position as Guest Faculty Member at the Global Centre for Advance Studies (GCAS), USA*

The Council considered the fact that Dr. P Prasad has been offered the position as a Guest Faculty Member at the Global Centre for Advance Studies (GCAS), Michigan, USA which is stated to be a non-profit higher education institution authorized by the State of Michigan, USA to provide graduate and under graduate level courses in a range of fields and disciplines.



This offer seeks the services of Dr. P Prasad through distance learning system and video streaming and also involving a visit to the institution during summer vacation. Furthermore, the institution seeks academic collaboration with the Department of Comparative Literature for bringing global exposure.

Dr. P Prasad while requesting permission for the position has mentioned that it is a non-remunerative offer and will not affect his duties in the Department.

The Council also considered the urgency under which permission was granted to him to accept the position as Guest Faculty Member.

The decision was ratified, subject to the condition that the permission shall be valid for one semester only. In future, such matters shall be decided in accordance with UGC/MHRD guidelines.

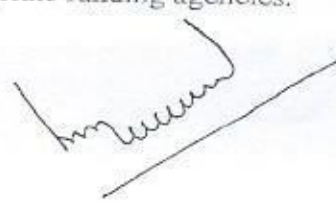
EC: 02: 05:05	<i>To consider starting of Department of Public Health under the School of Medicine and Public Health (SMPH)</i>
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The Council took note of the decision taken in the Second meeting of the Second Executive Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2013 (vide item EC:02:02:05) the University proposes to introduce a Postgraduate course in Public Health at its permanent campus at Periyar with an object to improve the health of the people of Kasaragod with special concern to the marginalized people like endosulphan victims, tribal population women and dwellers of interior villagers. The course is proposed to be offered by the Centre for Public Health under the SMPH, which will be a model Health care institution with community oriented innovative research and quality assured health science courses (Certificate or Diploma).

In order to initiate steps as resolved in the 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2014 (vide item EC:02:04:05), a senior faculty may be appointed invoking Clause 19(1) of the Second Schedule of the Central Universities Act 2009.

Dr. Usha K, Associate Professor, Department of Community Medicine, Academy of Medical Sciences, Pariyaram, has expressed her willingness to help the University in setting up the Centre of Public Health. With her experience and standing as a doctor engaged in the practice of community medicine, Dr. Usha appears to be a fit medical professional to spearhead and provide leadership to the proposed SMPH which has its emphasis in community medicine and public health. As she has to be offered competitive terms and conditions, she may be invited as Associate Professor invoking clause 19(1) of the Second Schedule of the Central Universities Act, 2009 and provided with two additional (non-cumulative) increments on her current band pay, AGP and NPA, taken together.

After detailed discussion, it was resolved that Dr. Usha K, Associate Professor, Department of Community Medicine, Academy of Medical Sciences, Pariyaram, be invited on contract basis, initially for a period of two years, to join Central University of Kerala as Associate Professor in Community Medicine and Public Health invoking clause 19(1) of the Second Schedule of the Central Universities Act, 2009 and be provided with two additional (non-cumulative) increments on her current band pay, AGP and NPA, taken together. Dr. Usha would also be the Special Officer for setting up the School of Medicine and Public Health and would initiate steps for the establishment of the School by preparing and submitting a detailed project proposal in this regard to appropriate funding agencies.



EC: 02: 05:06

To consider hiring of the additional space for expansion of Science Departments

The Council noted that the Science Departments (in the School of Biological Sciences, the School of Mathematical and Physical Sciences and School of Energy, Environment and Earth Sciences) are housed in the Riverview Hospital building hired by the University for setting up the Riverside Transit Campus. At present, there are seven Departments functioning from the building in addition to the Library, office room, faculty room, laboratories, etc. Of the seven Departments, five departments offer PG, M.Phil and PhD programmes. Many faculty members have won prestigious research projects from external agencies but are unable to implement them for want of adequate space. Some of the Departments do not have sufficient classrooms for conducting classes of specialisations. It is, therefore, proposed that either the vacant space available in the fourth floor of the same building or the terrace of the building may be hired. Removable aluminium partitions may have to be done to make the space usable according to the Departments' requirements. As far as the rent is concerned, the University is paying Rs.10/- per sq. ft. for the portion of the building occupied by the University. Probably, the same amount may have to be paid for the portion of space proposed to be hired. In view of the fact that permanent buildings may take a minimum of two years to be constructed, additional space is an immediate and inevitable necessity.

The Council approved the proposal and authorized the Vice-Chancellor to proceed further in the matter.

EC: 02: 05:07

To consider grant of additional increments to Mr. Sasidharan V, Controller of Examinations

Upon direct recruitment to the post of Controller of Examinations, Mr. Sasidharan V joined the University on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2012. Prior to joining the University, he was serving as Associate Professor in Physics at N S S College, Ottapalam. As per his bio-data, he joined in the College Service as Junior Lecturer on 16.1.1986 and became the Associate Professor on 1.1.2006 in the pay band of Rs.37400-67000 + AGP Rs.9000/-. Had he continued in the College, he would have earned his annual increment on 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2012. However, as he joined in a higher post with higher grade pay, the increment for the year 2012 could not be granted to him as he did not complete six months of service as Controller of Examinations in the pay band of Rs.37400-67000 + GP Rs.10000/-.

Mr. Sasidharan has now represented that he may be granted three additional increments w.e.f. 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2014 taking into account the following facts:

1. He lost one increment for the year 2012 just for a shortage of 33 days for achieving the mandatory six months for earning an annual increment;
2. He has vast experience of 26 years in the college system

The item was deferred.



EC: 02: 05: 08	To consider grant of additional increments to Shri Rajagopal K G, Executive Engineer (Civil)
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Upon selection as the Executive Engineer (Civil) Central University of Kerala, Sri Rajagopal KG joined the post on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014. Prior to his joining at the Central University of Kerala, he was holding the post of Assistant Engineer (Civil) at the Life Insurance Corporation of India. He was drawing a basic pay of Rs.29910/- with next increment due on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 (Saturday) at the institution.

In this regard, it is stated that on the urgent oral instructions received from the Vice Chancellor for participating in a decisive Building Committee meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2014, he got himself relieved on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2014 (AN) itself by remitting 45 days' of salary in lieu of notice period besides forgoing his increment due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February. Further, since he was relieved on a Friday, he could not join CUK, the next day because Saturday is a holiday in CUK. This has resulted into a gap of two days for which he is not entitled for salary from his former institution. Joining time is also not permissible as he came from a PSU to a Central Autonomous institution/ Body.

He has in turn submitted a request to grant him three additional increments stating that –

- He is neither eligible for increment in February 2014 nor 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2014 (for not completing 6 months of service) at the Central University of Kerala.
- He had suffered a substantial loss by paying 45 days of salary in advance in lieu of notice period to comply with the urgent oral directive of the Vice-Chancellor.
- His basic pay at the Central University of Kerala is fixed at Rs.22810+Rs.6600 Grade Pay against the pay drawn of Rs.29910 at LIC of India
- To consider 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2014 as the journey period for drawal of pay and for continuity in service.

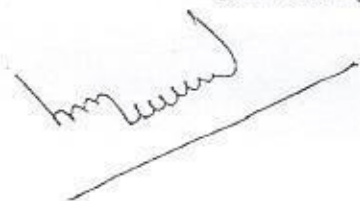
Fundamental Rules (FR) 27 states that "Subject to any general or special orders that may be made by the President in this behalf, an authority may grant a premature increment to a Government servant on a time-scale of pay, if it has power to create a post in the same cadre on the same scale of pay".

In the case of Central University of Kerala, creation of posts is rest with the Executive Council and so is the authority to grant a premature increment to its employees.

The item was deferred.

EC:02:05:09	To consider grant of two additional increments to Smt. Bindu Predeep, UDC
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Upon selection, Smt. Bindu Predeep joined the University as Upper Division Clerk (UDC) on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2014. Prior to her joining CUK, she was serving as Stenographer Gr.III of



Rajiv Gandhi University (Central University), Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh) since 11<sup>th</sup> August 2000. As Stenographer, she was drawing her pay and allowances in the pay band of Rs.5200-20200 and grade pay of Rs.2800/- up to July 2010. On rendering continuous service for ten years, Smt. Bindu was granted the first financial up-gradation in August 2010 under Modified Assured Career Progression Scheme (MACP) as per Govt. of India Office Memorandum No.35034/3/2008-Estt.(D) dated 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2009 and enhanced the pay band+grade pay to Rs.9300-34800/- + Rs.4200/-. The pay band+grade pay of UDC is Rs.5200-20200+Rs.2400/-.

At the time of interview at CUK, she had requested the Selection Committee for granting her two additional increments upon the current pay considering her long experience in the Central University system. The Selection Committee considered the request and recommended the same.

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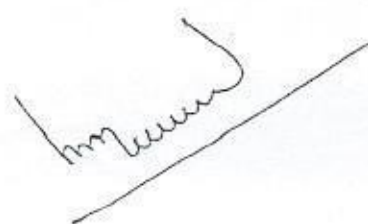
The item was deferred.

EC:02:05:10	<i>To consider the BA/MA Integrated programme in International Relations of the Capital Centre as the first Department under the School of Undergraduate Studies</i>
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The integrated BA/MA programme in International Relations inaugurated by the Prime Minister at Trivandrum on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2014 was started at the Capital Centre of CUK, a Centre under the Department of International Relations (DIR). As the existing Statute (Statute 40) provides for a School of Undergraduate Studies (SUS), the undergraduate programme (BA in International Relations) under the DIR may be considered as the first programme under the SUS. The temporary posts created for running the Centre may, therefore, be treated as regular posts out of the sanction already accorded by the UGC.

Resolved that the integrated BA/MA programme in International Relations started at the Capital Centre of CUK be under the School of Global Studies and that seven temporary faculty positions already sanctioned be treated as regular teaching posts, out of the 140 posts already sanctioned to the University, be earmarked for the programme.

Arising out of this, it was resolved that, apart from the two Centres (Campuses) of the University already established at the State Capital and in Pathanamthitta district, no additional Centres (Campuses) of the University be established anywhere outside Periyar (Kasaragod) until such time that the main Campus reaches a stage of full-fledged development.



EC:02:05:11

*To Consider Appointments of Professor/Associate Professor/Academic Coordinator in the Departments of Plant Science, Animal Science, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Genomic Science, Hindi and in the new Department of Education on deputation/contract basis*

The Executive Council at its Fourth Meeting vide Item No. EC:02:04:05 held on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 resolved that immediate steps be taken to appoint senior teachers to regular positions or as Academic Coordinators on contract/deputation or through the Faculty Recharge Programme of UGC, in those Departments where no senior faculty is presently available.

In this connection, it may be pointed out that the recruitment to faculty positions in the Department of Education could not be done due to various administrative reasons. The faculty appointments on regular basis can be held only after lifting of the election code of conduct and joining of the new Vice-Chancellor.

As NCTE has already accorded conditional permission to start the M.Ed programme, the Department of Education is required to be established and the names of faculty reported to NCTE before six weeks (The matter is presented under Agenda EC:02:05:19). Therefore, in order to start the programme, it is imperative to appoint at least an Academic Coordinator at the level of Professor. Dr. M A Sudhir, renowned Professor of Education, Department of Applied Research, Gandhigram Rural Institute (a Deemed University) has expressed his willingness to help the University in setting up the Department of Education. Prof. Sudhir is due to superannuate from the post of Professor on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2014. In the event of his appointment, initially for a period of one year, the University may pay him a consolidated salary based on the last pay drawn minus pension.

Resolved that contract appointments be notified on the University website.

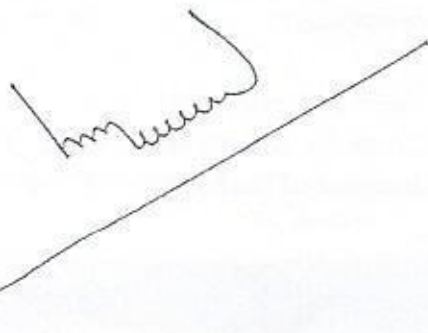
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*To consider making of Statute 41 and repeal of Statute 40*

The First meeting of the Second Executive Council held on 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2013 vide item:EC:01:01:AA:11 considered the draft Statute 41 on the "Schools of Studies" and repeal of the existing Statute 40. On the approval of the same, it was sent to the MHRD for the assent of the Hon'ble Visitor. The MHRD, in turn, cited certain anomalies in the amendment and advised to return it after removing them. This matter was placed before the 4th meeting of the Second Executive Council held on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2014. While broadly accepting the suggestions of the MHRD, the Council suggested that clarification may be sought from MHRD on the points raised by them, especially with regard to Clause 41 (3). Based on this, a letter was sent to MHRD, the reply of which is awaited. On enquiry, it is given to understand that the file is pending for want of corrections as intimated by MHRD.

Therefore, the draft of amended Statute 41 incorporating the changes suggested by the MHRD is placed as Annexure – III.

Resolved to approve the amendment.



EC:02:05:13

*Introduction of Contributory Provident Fund (CPF) Scheme to the Central University of Kerala*

With the introduction of the New Pension Scheme w.e.f. 01.01.2004, the CPF Scheme has been withdrawn by the Govt. of India w.e.f. 31.12.2013 for all regular and re-employed pensioners.

The Central University consists of staff from various Departments/Institutions, i.e. regular employees selected through open competition and joined from other Departments who were covered by NPS/CPF/GPF-cum-pension, persons appointed on permanent absorption, re-employed pensioners, persons recruited through open competition, etc.

Further, as per Clause 36 (1) & (2) of the Central Universities Act, 2009 states –

(1) *“The University shall constitute for the benefit of its employees such provident or pension fund or provide such insurance schemes as it may deem fit in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Statutes.*

(2) *Where such provident fund or pension fund has been so constituted, the Central Government may declare that the provisions of the Provident Fund Act, 1925, shall apply to such fund, as if it were a Government provident fund”.*

Hence, to have a uniform policy and to safeguard the interest of the staff members, the University, duly adhering to the existing rules, intends to introduce CPF Scheme for its officers/faculty members appointed for fixed tenure and for those who are not covered by NPS or any other Pension Scheme.

Resolved to approve the proposal.

EC:02:05:14

*Conduct of the first Convocation*

Rashtrapathi Bhavan has informed that His Excellency, the President of India is willing to grace the first Convocation of the University as the Chief Guest. The Convocation is likely to take place in the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> week of July as desired by His Excellency. The exact date is yet to be finalized. It has been conveyed that H.E. would prefer to travel by helicopter right up to the Convocation ground.

As there is no permanent Auditorium in the University, a suitable Tent-structure (*Pandal*) and a helipad with due adherence to security protocol, have to be erected in the campus (*Periye*). A monumental National Flag may also be erected to mark this historic moment and to provide inspiration for generations to come.

The Vice-Chancellor may be authorized to take all necessary steps including all related expenditure for making the event a grand success. Active involvement and co-operation of every member of the Executive Council is solicited.





Resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to take all necessary steps including incurring of all expenditure for various aspects relating to the conduct of the convocation including erection of the tent-structure, allied arrangements, erection of helipad, etc. and for erection/installation of a monumental National Flag in the CUK Campus. Prof. D. Gopal was authorized to collect detailed information and offer recommendations on size/dimensions of pole/flag, costs, etc., and to identify/negotiate with the agency that had installed a similar monumental flag at the Delhi campus of IGNOU.

*EC:02:05:15 To consider procurement of Buses and Ambulance*

The Council noted that the University has four light vehicles. One each is attached with the Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, Controller of Examinations/ Finance Officer and the fourth one is used as a pool vehicle at the Riverside Transit Campus Padannakkad. It may be pointed out that the Controller of Examinations has no attached vehicle and the vehicle meant for the Finance Officer is shared by the Controller of Examinations.

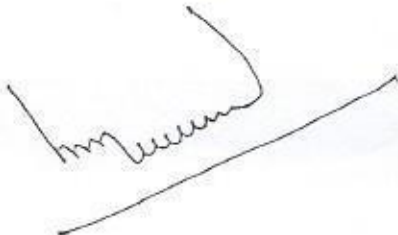
In November 2013, three of the teaching departments were shifted to the permanent campus at Periyē along with occupation of 160-bedded Ladies Hostel. Hired vehicles are provided for commuting the students between the hostel and the respective Departments functioning at Kasaragod and Padannakkad. Only nominal charges are levied for providing transportation to the students; however, a huge amount of Rs.3.75 lakh per month is incurred towards hiring of buses. In addition to the buses, the University has hired a utility vehicle for general purposes and emergency services at night spending a sum of Rs.48,000/- per month.

Periyē, a small town, does not have a full time functional Health Centre/Dispensary. Students and staff have to depend on hospitals located either at Kasaragod or at Kanhangad for emergencies. For evacuating the students and staff on emergency, private vehicles like auto rickshaw/taxi are to be called. As girl students cannot be sent to the hospital singly, in the odd hours, either a security personnel or the Matron/Warden is required to accompany the students.

As the number of students is increasing, so does the demand for transportation. Hiring of good conditioned vehicles and reliable workers for operating the buses raise serious concerns.

It is, therefore, proposed to buy two 48/56 seater Tata/Leyland buses with company-built body for commuting students from hostels to various campuses. It is also proposed to buy an Ambulance with all mandatory facilities. The approximate cost of these vehicles would be Rs.50 lakh.

The Council approved the proposal to procure two 48/56 seater buses (with company-built bodies) for the University, to be operated with out-sourced staff. As for the ambulance, the University may enter into an arrangement with external agencies for on-call services.



In response to the advertisements for filling up of teaching and non-teaching positions, many persons working in other organizations with vast experience apply through proper channel and join the University upon selection. Many of the teachers appointed against the post of Asst. Professor in the Pay Band of Rs.15600-39100 + Grade Pay Rs.6000/-) were working as Asst. Professor (Senior Scale/Selection Grade) with higher-grade pay of Rs.6600/- or Rs.9000/- under CAS. While fixing pay and allowances, these incumbents request for protection of Pay Band and Grade Pay drawn by them in the previous organization and all such cases were considered positively to the benefit of the faculty.

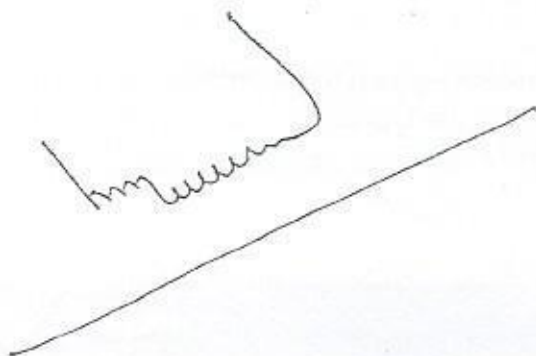
Likewise, many non-teaching employees who were drawing higher Grade Pay than the notified Grade Pay have been recruited on permanent basis. This higher grade pay is earned under Modified Assured Career Progression Scheme (MACP) as per Govt. of India Office Memorandum No.35034/3/2008-Estt.(D) dated 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2009. MACP is only a financial up-gradation for serving at least 10 years in the grade and the up-gradation does not affect the status of the post.

With regard to pay fixation of the direct recruitees, Fundamental Rules [FR-15 (a)] states that in cases of appointment of Government servants to the posts carrying lower Grade Pay, the pay in the Pay Band of the Government servant will be fixed at a stage equal to the pay in the pay band drawn by him prior to his appointment against the lower post. However, he will be granted the grade pay of the lower post. Further, in all cases, he will continue to draw the increments based on the pay in the lower Pay Band+Grade Pay (lower).

The fixation of faculty members was done without invoking the above said FR-15 (a). If the provision under 15(a) is invoked for non-teaching employees, such employees will incur a huge loss in their earnings as well as in their career. It will also be a jolt in their career as many of the employees who were in the GPF-cum-Pension grid/CPF grid who have joined the University will have to forgo their pension as well as the higher pay they had been drawing earlier.

Therefore, the Council may consider protection of both Pay Band and Grade Pay earned under CAS/MACP Scheme of both teaching and non-teaching employees appointed through direct recruitment upon forwarding the application through proper channel. This will help attract experienced staff and prompt them to accept appointments in CUK at Kasaragod, a remote area in the State of Kerala.

Deferred.



EC:02:05:17	<i>To consider erection of removable aluminium partition in the leased building at Thiruvananthapuram and procurement of furniture and equipment</i>
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The Capital Centre of the University started functioning at Trivandrum on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2014. At present, the classes are conducted in the building belonging to Malankara Social Services Society, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram as the leased building belonging to BSNL is yet to be made ready for use. An agreement with BSNL was signed on 29.03.2014 leasing the building of 8760 sqft. along with open space and parking area. At present, the building is in the form of a single hall which requires partition with removable aluminium sheets for use as class rooms, faculty room, office, common room, etc. The approximate cost for this work would be Rs.17 lakh.

In addition, adequate furniture items for the classrooms, office, common room, Library, workstation, etc., are required to be procured. For this, a sum of Rs.20-25 lakh may be required. A small Diesel Generator may also be required to ensure uninterrupted power supply.

The Council may consider the proposal for providing the required infrastructure at an approximate cost of Rs.40 lakh.

Resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to exercise financial authority to approve the same.

EC:02:05:18	<i>Appointment of Second Finance Officer</i>
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In response to the Advertisement Notification No.3/2013 dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2013 for filling up the post of First Finance Officer for the residual period of 2½ months, interviews were conducted on 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2013. Based on the performance in the interview, a panel was drawn up and submitted to the MHRD for recommendation and onward submission to the Visitor. The University was awaiting the nomination by the Visitor. In the meantime, MHRD vide letter No.42-15/2009-CU-III dated 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2014 informed that the President's Secretariat had returned the proposal stating that the First Finance Officer was appointed by the President under section 44 of the Central Universities Act, 2009 which provide that the First Finance Officer of the newly established Central Universities shall be appointed by the Visitor for a term of three years. In the proviso thereunder, it states that if any vacancy occurs in the above office, the same shall be filled by appointment by the Visitor and the person so appointed shall hold office for so long as the officer in whose place he is appointed would have held office, if such vacancy had not occurred.

The First finance Officer took charge of the office on 19.11.2010 and would have held office till 18.11.2013 in normal course of his tenure had he not superannuated on 31.08.2013.

In view of the above, the proposal for next appointment of First Finance Officer should have been up to 18.11.2013 under section 44 of the Central Universities Act, 2009. Since the date (18.11.2013) has expired, the course of action under Section 44 of CU Act no longer stands valid and hence MHRD directed to fill up the post of Second Finance Officer as per Statute 18 (1) & (2) of the Central Universities Act, 2009.

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In view of the above, the University intends to notify the post of the Finance Officer along with the post of the Registrar.

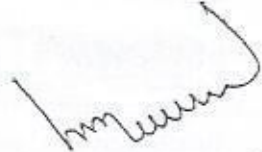
Noted.

EC:02:05:19	<i>The Order issued by National Council for Teacher Education granting recognition to the University for conduction M.Ed. Course of one year duration with an annual intake of 35 students from the academic session 2014-15</i>
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The Regional Director, Southern Regional Committee, National Council For Teacher Education (NCTE), Bangalore vide No.F.No.SRCAPP--/M.Ed/KL/2013-14/57293 dated 3.3.2014 issued an Order to be published in Gazette of India granting recognition to Central University of Kerala, Kasaragod for conducting M.Ed. Course of one year duration with an annual intake of 35 students from the academic session 2014-15, subject to filling up of the teaching and other positions.

Noted.

As there was no other item for discussion, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

  
Registrar

6/5/14