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CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
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**MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING  
OF THE SECOND COURT HELD ON 04.05.2017**

The First Meeting of the Second Court was held at 10.30 a.m. on 04.05.2017 at the Conference Hall of the University at Periyē, Kasaragod.

The following members attended the meeting:

1. Prof. (Dr.) V.L. Chopra, Hon'ble Chancellor, Central University of Kerala, In the Chair
2. Prof. (Dr.) G. Gopa Kumar, Vice-Chancellor
3. Prof. (Dr.) M. S. John, Dean
4. Prof. (Dr.) K.P. Suresh, Dean
5. Prof. (Dr.) M. Dasan, Dean
6. Prof. (Dr.) K.J. Thomas, Dean
7. Dr. K. Jayaprasad, Dean
8. Dr. K. Abdul Kareem, Dean
9. Dr. Amruth G. Kumar, Dean
10. Dr. Rajendra Pilankatta, Dean
11. Dr. Jayasankar K.I., Dean
12. Dr. B.R. Prasannakumar, Finance Officer
13. Dr. Muhammadunni Alias Musthafa, Controller of Examinations, In-Charge
14. Dr. Senthilkumarn P., Dy. Librarian
15. Dr. Shaini P., Senior most Warden
16. Prof. Dr. K.C. Baiju
17. Prof. Dr. Ajithkumar N.
18. Prof. Dr. M.R. Prathapachandra Kurup
19. Dr. Sudha K, Associate Professor
20. Dr. M.R. Biju, Associate Professor
21. Dr. Prasannakumar, Associate Professor
22. Dr. Mary Vineetha Thomas, Asst. Professor
23. Dr. Elezebeth Mathews, Asst. Professor
24. Adv. P. Sudheer
25. Shri. P. Balakrishnan
26. Adv. P.J. Thomas
27. Dr. Renjith N. Kumavath, Asst. Professor
28. Dr. V.P. Joshith., Asst. Professor
29. Shri. Predeep P.T.
30. Shri. Clinice Jose P., Student Council Secretary
31. Dr. A. Radhakrishnan Nair, Registrar

Following Members could not attend the meeting and sought leave of absence:

1. Prof. (Dr.) Dennis Thomas, Dean
2. Prof. (Dr.) Muthukumar Muthuchamy, Dean
3. Prof. (Dr.) Jameela Beegum
4. Dr. Jeyabalan Sangeetha, Asst. Professor
5. Dr. Gireesh Kumar, Asst. Professor
6. Shri. Nikhil Sudheesh, Student Council President

The Vice-Chancellor heartily welcomed the Hon'ble Chancellor and the Members to the first meeting of the Second Court of the University. The members introduced themselves before starting the meeting.

Hon'ble Chancellor in his introductory remarks has highlighted vision and mission of the University and appreciated the officials, staff and students of the University and stated that the institution is moving towards achieving the goals. He advised that we should set a road map to fully achieve the vision and goals of the University for the local population, students' community and for the entire nation. All the members unanimously accepted the suggestion made by the Chancellor and expressed their wholehearted support for the development of the University.

Then the Agenda items were taken up for discussion.

<b>CT:02:01:01</b>	<b>Presentation on the activities of the University by the Vice-Chancellor</b>
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With the permission of the Chairperson, Vice Chancellor has made a presentation on the activities of the University during the last academic year. He has informed the Court that the accreditation of University has been done by NAAC and has awarded B++. For a University with only 7 years standing, it is a great achievement. Similarly, NIRF 2017 survey placed us in between 100-150 rank among the 752 Universities of India. The presentation is given below:

"The Central University of Kerala (CUK) is one of the 16 Central Universities established under "The Central Universities Act, 2009 (Parliament Act No.25 of 2009)". It came into existence on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2009 along with the appointment of the first Vice-Chancellor Dr. Jancy James and her assuming office on the same date. The University started functioning from a transit campus at Vidyanagar, Kasaragod, on 4th June, 2009 with the administrative support of an OSD. Two academic programmes - MA in English & Comparative Literature; and MA in Economics were launched in the same year. In 2010 Genomic Science, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, Physics and Animal Science Departments started functioning. In 2011 Department of Plant Science, Computer Science, Mathematics and in 2012 Environmental Science, Chemistry, Linguistics, Hindi, Social Work and in 2013 Department of International Relations at



Periya Campus & the BA/MA Department of International Relations at Capital Centre were inaugurated. In 2015 Law Department at Pathanamthitta Campus and in Kasaragod the Departments of Malayalam and Education and in 2016, Department of Geology, Public Administration & Policy Studies and Public Health and Community Medicine were launched. Very recently, the UGC sanctioned the 23rd Department for CUK, the Department of Yoga Studies. It will be functioning very soon. Initially, the offices of the Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, Finance Officer and Controller of Examinations and the Departments of Comparative Literature, Hindi and Linguistics, Central Library, Computer Centre, Language Lab, etc. were functioning in the Vidyanagar Campus. In 2010, the Science Departments started functioning from the Riverside Transit Campus (a rented building) at Padanakkad, about 40 km south of Vidyanagar. It also houses the office of the Deans of Biological Sciences, Energy and Environmental Sciences, Physical Sciences; Library Extension Centre, etc. The Main Campus in Periya houses five Departments - Computer Science, Mathematics, Social Work, International Relations & Politics and Economics. Since March 2014, the Vice-Chancellor, the Statutory Officers and Administration are functioning in the Main Campus. Two new Departments - Public Administration & Policy Studies and Public Health & Community Medicine are functioning in Kuniya Campus near the Main Campus. The Mahatma Ayyankali Centre for Kerala Studies is in functioning Capital Centre, Trivandrum."

"The CUK is a unitary University functioning in Kerala state with Kasaragod as the Headquarters. At present, the CUK has 21 Post Graduate Departments, 18 Research and one Under Graduate Department. The Student strength is 1098 (including 246 research scholars) while teacher strength is 123 (84%) plus two deputationists. The Central Library is now functioning in Main Campus. Proposal to start a Kannada Centre and a Centre for Classical Malayalam Languages are in the pipeline. The University has sent a proposal to UGC/MHRD for sanctioning additional 12 Departments."

"The NAAC Peer Team Visited CUK during October 24-27, 2016 and awarded B++ to the University in its first cycle of evaluation. Being an infant University, we appreciate this recognition. At the same time, we are conscious of improving our grade in the next cycle of evaluation. The School of Education has been awarded with Pandit Madan Mohan Malavya School of Education in 2016 with a total outlay of Rs.12.5 Crore. The UGC has selected CUK as one of its 11 Centres for Endangered Languages. The UGC sanctioned an amount of Rs.3,62,88,000/- (Rupees Three crore sixty two lakhs and eighty eight thousand only) for this Project. This project is functioning in the Department of Linguistics. Endangered and marginalized languages of Kerala will be systematically documented and grammars and lexical corpora will be developed."

"The CUK's mission is to extend the scope of learning through a holistic methodology that accommodates diverse linguistic, scientific and cultural traditions. The new educational policies of the Government of India urge the Universities to take cognizance of the changing needs of the industry in planning new courses and to seek support from business and industries for supporting research. The CUK is preparing to focus on better quality of research and innovation in higher education. Our expert faculty with international exposure contributes much to this goal. This multidimensional approach in



designing and executing its programmes is hoped to create a paradigm shift in academics. Innovations in modern teaching-learning process are implemented, avoiding rigidity and exclusion in extending the borders of learning and research resources. Our mission is to educate and train the manpower for the development of the country. In short, the activities of the University are being planned in order to contribute to the improvement of the social and economic conditions of the people by developing their intellectual, academic and cultural resources. The Governing bodies of Central University of Kerala are the Executive Council, the Court, the Finance Committee, the Academic Council and the Board of Studies. Actually, the Government of Kerala allotted 310 acres of land at Periyar, which was handed over on 18.03.2012 in a ceremony. We are likely to get another 51 acres in Periyar from Government of Kerala. The construction of eight major Academic Blocks whose Foundation Stone was laid by the Hon'ble Union Minister of Law, Sri Sadananda Gowda on September 4, 2015 are under completion and expected to be occupied before the end of this year. There are in fact, 3 deadlines, June 30, September 30 and December 31<sup>st</sup>. A Ladies Hostel was constructed in 2013 enabling us to accommodate 164 girl students. Two permanent hostel buildings (Men's Hostel and Women's Hostel) with a capacity of 450 were recently completed and inaugurated by the Hon'ble Minister, Dr. Mahendra Nath Pandey on 8th October, 2016. Presently, our major focus will be to develop the full-fledged campus in Tejaswini Hills. On the direction of the Visitor's Secretariat, a Capital Centre of the University was established at Trivandrum in 2013. The Centre is conducting the BA programme in International Relations and is functioning in a rented building in Trivandrum. A postgraduate programme in Law, L.L.M, started functioning at Thiruvalla in 2014 in a rented building. We are expecting land allocation from the Govt. of Kerala for these two Centres as well."

"The University underwent a significant period of transformation by now. This transition is reflected in infrastructural development as well as academic achievements. The CPWD and RITES of Railways had taken up these works and assured its completion on time. Many of our faculty members won prestigious national and international grants and fellowships; their research and publications have won international recognition; and several of our students cleared competitive examinations like the NET, GATE, etc. So far, 61 non-teaching staff appointments were made against a total of 131 staff positions sanctioned. Notifications will be issued for filling up the remaining vacant teaching and non-teaching positions. We have already filled up the posts of Registrar and Finance Officer. We have advertised the posts of Controller of Examinations (vacancy came recently), Public Relations Officer and Technical Officer. Various departments at CUK organised national and international seminars, workshops and conferences since its inception which paved the way for many intellectually stimulating discussions and brought renowned academicians and leading government officials to campus. The eminent personalities hosted by CUK include the Hon'ble President of India, Shri Pranab Mukherjee, the former Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh; former MHRD Minister and two-time MP from Thiruvananthapuram, Dr. Shashi Tharoor; former Minister late E. Ahamed; former Minister Sri. Pallam Raju, former Chief Minister of Kerala, Shri Oommen Chandy, the former Governor of Kerala, Shri. Nikhil Kumar; WTO Deputy Director General, Dr. Harsha Vardhana Singh, Dr. N.R. Madhava Menon, Dr. G. Madhavan Nair, to name a few. Amidst our academic achievements, we continued to



ensure that our social responsibilities are regularly fulfilled. For instance, our Social Work and Public Health Departments initiated successful awareness programmes for the local population, conducted rural health camps resulting in mutual knowledge transfer and extended helping hands to the tribal hamlets of Wayanad.”

“The University signed MoUs with the Spices Board for WTO Chair, Institute of Applied Dermatology (IAD) for health-care research, and Kerala Institute of Local Administration (KILA), in the area of local administration and governance as a part of extension and research activities. Much international collaboration is on the pipeline (full bright for example). The University's persistent pursuit to link the local with the global, through its activities has already borne fruit in 2016 by the establishment of the Centre for International Cooperation. We are also pursuing the GIAN (Global Initiative of Academic Networks) Programme to attract foreign faculty. Few foreign students, from Spain, Nigeria, and Afghanistan are pursuing their PG programmes in the University. The faculty members of various departments are undertaking Research projects funded by external sources like DST, UGC, KSCSTE, Western Ghat Cell, IUAC etc.”

“Research Funds Mobilized

<b>Major Projects - 32</b>	-	<b>Rs.7,21,11,200/-</b>
<b>Minor Projects - 20</b>	-	<b>Rs.7,60,56,273/-</b>
<b>Total</b>	-	<b>Rs.14,81,67,473/-</b>

The CUK conducted the First Convocation on 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2014. Hon'ble President of India graced the occasion as the chief guest. 567 students who had passed out from the year 2011 to 2013 were awarded the degrees. The next Convocation is scheduled for the last week of April 2017. The student enrolment has been increasing steadily with high diversity representing sixteen States. Students actively participate in sports and cultural activities. The Dean of Students Welfare looks after the needs of the students and chairs the Student's Council meetings. We have hired the services of a Medical Doctor, Nurse, Pharmacist and purchased an Ambulance for medical needs.

**Table-1**

Year	Total Enrolment
2009-10	17
2010-11	100
2011-12	257
2012-13	496
2013-14	627
2014-15	683
2015-16	1109
2016-17	1098

Total enrolment in PhD programme: 246 (includes 70% male and 30% female)



### Status of Finance

#### XII PLAN

(Year wise Rupees in Lakhs)

Year	Grants Received	Expenditure Incurred
2012-13	Rs. 4,875.00	Rs.3,279.63
2013-14	Rs. 3,625.00	Rs.5,439.33
2014-15	Rs.16,510.00	Rs.7,471.47
2015-16	Rs.3,580.00	Rs.8,403.03
2016-17	Rs.7,220.50	Rs.6,646.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>Rs.35, 810.50</b>	<b>Rs.31,240.38</b>

Allocation for XII Plan	:	Rs.397.25 Cr
Funds Received XII Plan	:	Rs.358.10 Cr
Balance Allocation to be received	:	Rs. 39.15 Cr
Expenditure XII Plan	:	Rs.312.40 Cr
Balance funds available in hand XII Plan	:	Rs. 45.70 Cr
Balance funds available in hand XI Plan	:	Rs. 16.31 Cr
Interest Received	:	Rs. 16.27 Cr
Academic & Other Receipts	:	Rs. 4.76 Cr
Total funds available	:	Rs. 83.04 Cr.”

The Vice Chancellor has informed the Court that University has done a SWOC analysis and the identified strengths are:

“Highly qualified young faculty recruited from across country representing 13 States. Being situated in a backward district in north Malabar, there is ample potential for growth. Strong IT support, faculty with Post-doctoral experience and international exposure, multicultural setting with students, teachers and non-teaching staff, fast infrastructural growth during the last two years etc. are the strong points.

#### Weaknesses

1. Shortage of Non-teaching staff
2. Non availability of Pension Portability affecting recruitment of senior faculty
3. Water scarcity in the Campus

#### Opportunities

1. Support from Government of India
2. Highly accessible Campus
3. Multicultural Society, with Student and teacher diversity
4. Educational aspirations of the local community
5. High demand for health care education

The challenges faced are:

1. Improvement of physical infrastructures, including Sports and Extension activities
2. Getting high quality teachers from urban areas
3. Filling up of non-teaching positions
4. Geographical disadvantage, being far away from mainstream
5. Introduction of new Courses including the goal for and dream of launching a Medical College.”

The Vice Chancellor has then narrated the best practices of the University.

1. Sustainable rainwater harvesting in the Campus,
2. Adopted Government Blind School, Kasaragod for training, teaching and supporting computer related activities.
3. Provided child care room for breast feeding and child care for needy students
4. Coordinated administrative system
5. Strong advocacy for SC/ST students
6. Free Legal Aid
7. Accessibility to the key officers etc.
8. Completed construction of 16 houses for rehabilitating the people of Malathumpara Colony.

He has underlined the importance of future plans of the University and listed out them:

1. Introduction of new skill oriented, professional courses, Community College and Heritage Centres
2. Starting of Post Graduate and Research Programmes in Medical Sciences
3. Starting Post graduate and Research Programmes in Engineering, Technology, Commerce and Management
4. Distance Education Department
5. Department of Internal Security and Defence Studies
6. Centre for Women Studies, Centre for Entrepreneurship Development
7. Use of Renewable Energy sources for the power needs of campus
8. Administrative, Central Library, residential buildings for teachers and non-teaching staff, Guest House etc.
9. Students Insurance
10. Crèche, Kinder Garden and Central School

He further added that “we are optimistic about the future and sensitive to the challenges ahead. Providing essential infrastructure to all teaching and research departments, administration, library, utilities and filling up non-teaching positions in the University are the top priorities now. Major initiatives will be taken in this regard. We are also conscious of the fact that the under development of Kasaragod and North Malabar region was mainly due to educational, health-care and infrastructural backwardness. As the only Central University in Kerala, supported by MHRD and UGC of the Government of India, we have major responsibilities to uplift the quality of education and life of people of Kerala and Kasaragod district in particular while maintaining its national character. We seek the support and blessings of all stakeholders in our academic and social venture.”



The Chancellor appreciated the presentation given by the Vice Chancellor and congratulated all the people for their contribution in setting up the goals of the University. He further added that the report is very encouraging and suggested that opportunities before the University shall be utilized completely and the challenges should be converted as opportunities to build up the institution. He has highlighted the role of University in developing the nation and hence suggested that faculty should focus on extension activities to its maximum. He also pointed out that University has the duty to equip the local community also to face the challenges of life as part of its nation building activity. After the brief discussion the Court unanimously approved the report presented by the Vice Chancellor.

<b>CT:02:01:02</b>	<b>Presentation of Annual Report for the year 2015-2016</b>
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As per the provisions contained in the second schedule 10 (1) of the Central Universities Act 2009, the Annual Report was placed before the Annual Meeting of the Court.

Accordingly, the Court perused the Annual Report of the University for the year 2015-16 as approved by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Executive Council at its meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 vide item EC:03:01:15. The Court noted action taken by the University in approving the Annual Report 2015-16 and submitted the same before the Parliament on time.

<b>CT:02:01:03</b>	<b>Presentation of the Annual Accounts and Financial Estimates of the Central University of Kerala for the year 2015-16</b>
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As per provisions contained in Section 20 (2) of the Central Universities Act, 2009 and Statute 10 (1) of the Statutes of Central University of Kerala, the Annual Accounts of the University and the Audit Report on such account was placed before the annual meeting of the Court for consideration.

Since the term of the first Court expired on November 4, 2015 and the Annual Accounts and SAR to be placed before the both the Houses of the Parliament by December 2016. The Vice-Chancellor has approved Annual Accounts along with SAR on the basis of powers vested with him and the same were placed before the Parliament on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016. The Court noted the Annual Accounts consisting of the Statement of Income & Expenditure, Statement of Receipts & Payments and the Balance Sheet as audited for the financial year 2015-16 along with the Separate Audit Report of the Comptroller and Audit General of India (CAG).

During the discussion the Hon'ble Chancellor pointed out that the audit queries are minimum in nature, however all the queries should be taken seriously and action should be taken to drop it. It was felt that the University should strengthen the Audit Wing.

The Hon'ble Chancellor stated that the University should prepare an Accounting Manual as suggested by CAG, Audit. The Court has approved the suggestion of the Hon'ble Chancellor.





CT:02:01:04	<b>Revised Annual Budget Estimate of the University for the year 2016-17</b>
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The Revised Budget of the University of the Financial Year 2016-17 envisaging an expenditure of Rs. 166.76 Cr. was considered and approved by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Executive Council at its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017 vide item No. EC:03:03:45 (i). During the Financial Year 2016-17, budget of Rs. 90 Cr. was got approved based on the tentative XII Plan allocation communicated by UGC as well as the cumulative expenditure thereof against for the years 2012-13 to 2015-16. With the XII Plan allocation of Rs. 397.25 Cr. and also taking into account the total expenditure during the first four years of the XII Plan as well as the actual need in view of the ongoing construction works, the Budget during the current year 2016-17 was enhanced from Rs. 90 Cr. to Rs. 166.76 Cr. by the Executive Council.

The Court noted the Revised Annual Budget Estimate of the University for the year 2016-17.

CT:02:01:05	<b>Annual Budget Estimate of the University for the year 2017-18</b>
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Annual Budget proposal of the Central University of Kerala for the year 2017-18 envisaging an expenditure of Rs. 240.00 Cr was considered and approved by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Executive Council in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017 vide item No. EC: 03:03:45 (ii). The proposal was made with reference to the anticipated use of yearly allocation (2017-18) and as per direction of the UGC to utilize the internal receipts and interest earned by the University. The Budget be revised on getting allocation from UGC for the year 2017-18. The Court considered the budget proposal of the University for the financial year 2017-18, envisaging an expenditure of Rs. 240.00 Cr as approved by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Executive Council in its 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017 vide item No. EC: 03:03:45 (ii). The Court opined that allotment of funds at initial state is important for all the development works of the University.

While considering the budget estimates, the Court suggested that the University shall focus to increase the infrastructure facilities in order to accommodate more students, faculty members and other stakeholders of the University. It was also suggested in the meeting that the University invest more resources in the identified areas of each departments and the required fund should be specified in the budget proposals. The Vice Chancellor and the Registrar informed that there has been some important change in the policy of the Govt. of India in financial allocation and UGC directed that before financial sanction for any developmental work, the University should prepare a comprehensive proposal and the same should be submitted to UGC Standing Committee for detailed examination. The Registrar apprised the Court that the University is preparing plans to complete all the developmental work on priority basis.



CT:02:01:06	Award of Degrees
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The Court noted and approved the same.

CT:02:01:07	Any other item
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During the discussion regarding energy saving and rain water harvesting, the members stated that the University should have plan for energy saving and should have a system for rain water harvesting. For energy saving the University should explore the possibility for the installation of solar energy system in the Campus. The Registrar informed that the University already had taken action on the matter and a Committee was constituted to take appropriate measures in this regard. A Committee has been constituted for preparing a detailed plan for rain water harvesting and waste management. It was also informed that the university had given priority to the construction work of staff quarters to teaching and non-teaching staff, administrative building, Central Library and Guest House. In the administrative building there will be a convention hall and the University has prepared specific plans for academic and administrative buildings.

Hon'ble Chancellor has directed to consider the use of LED bulbs and tubes as a measure for energy conservation.

Regarding the queries on pension portability, the Registrar pointed out that the issue had been raised several times before and as it is a national policy that the Central University of Kerala follows NPS and it is not possible to carry over the old pension scheme for the employees of the University. Any decision on pension portability shall be taken at national level by UGC/MHRD.

Students' representative pointed out that the university should provide better stadium and playground for the students. The Court resolved that efforts shall be made to construct stadium and playgrounds in the Tejaswini Hills Campus, Periyar and should be given priority.

A suggestion for the construction of International Guest House also came up during discussion and proposed to take up the same at appropriate time.

While discussing the possibility of starting Departments in other districts of the Kerala State, The Hon'ble Chancellor informed the members that as the University is trying to start all the programmes in one campus and it is not practical to start Departments in other parts of the State at this stage.

The students' representative stated that the Capital Centre of the University should be shifted to the main campus at Kasaragod to save income and time. The Registrar informed that at present a policy decision cannot be taken in this regard. The Hon'ble Chancellor stated that the University may consider shifting the teaching department to main campus in course of time, whereas the University may strengthen Capital Centre as

a Centre for research and extension. The Court agreed upon the suggestion of Hon'ble Chancellor.

The Court resolved that the University shall have direct admission procedures for the international students in addition through ICCR. The Registrar pointed out that the major hurdle for admitting international students in the University is that Central University of Kerala does not have an international student hostel. The Vice Chancellor suggested that University may propose construction of an international student hostel on priority. The Court approved the suggestion.

On a query on the physical facilities for the students, the Registrar informed the Hon'ble members of the Court that the University had provided three hostels for the students accommodation. The university also providing bus facility, wifi connectivity for the students including wifi for those who are staying in the hostels. The extra-curricular activities of students are promoted as and when required. The members noted the same. The Registrar further added that the University has taken all the welfare measures for the students as per UGC rules.

The Registrar pointed out that Research Scholars are being accommodated in PG student's hostels and a separate hostel is a necessity for research scholars in the University. The Court has suggested that Central University of Kerala may take action for the construction of two hostels-boys/girls for research scholars on priority basis.

The Hon'ble Chancellor has pointed out that the nomenclature of Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology is not proper as Bio-Chemistry itself is a major discipline and Molecular Biology is more appropriate with Genomics. He has called upon academics to think about it and make necessary modifications as deems necessary in this regard. The Vice Chancellor has informed that the suggestion will be placed before the respective Board of Studies and Academic Council for appropriate decision.

Shri. P. Balakrishnan, Hon'ble Member raised the issue of starting of a PG Department of Medical Sciences and the Hon'ble Chancellor informed the members that good hospitals are required to start such programmes in the Central University of Kerala. It is resolved that the University will further discuss the matter and explore the possibility to start PG courses in Medical Sciences and authorized Dean, School of Medicine to prepare a detailed project proposal in this regard.

Hon'ble Members suggested that the University may start Distance Education, Community College and skill development Courses that would fetch more income to the University. The Vice Chancellor informed that the University would further explore the matter in discussion with faculty members and prepare a detailed plan of action.

On a query regarding health and hygiene of students, Vice Chancellor has informed the Members that at present the University has provided a Medical Officer and proposed to start a retail pharmacy as approved by the Executive Council. Action was also taken for the medical checkup of all students, teaching and non-teaching staff of the university.



During the discussion the members opined that the University should start an Academic Staff College and the Vice Chancellor informed that in the next phase the proposal for starting Academic Staff College will be considered.

Students' representative suggested that the University should take more effective measures to reduce the plastic waste in the campus and the waste water should be recycled for watering plants. The Registrar informed that the work has already been entrusted to the Department of Environmental Sciences of the University to prepare a detailed project and the waste water management system will be in place shortly. The members have felt the necessity of setting up a Biological Park in the University and the Vice Chancellor indicated that faculty of the University can provide healthier contribution for making the Central University campus as an eco-friendly campus. He further suggested that Department of Plant Science will be authorized to prepare project for the same.

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



**Registrar &  
Member Secretary  
Court, Central University of Kerala**