

Association of Indian Universities

Minutes of the 334th Governing Council Meeting held on June 30, 2015 at 11:30 am at AIU House, New Delhi.

Present:

1. Dr H M Desai, President, AIU
2. Prof (Dr) Ranbir Singh, Vice President, AIU
3. Prof S W Akhtar
4. Prof C K Kokate
5. Prof J Mahender Reddy
6. Dr Raviprakash G Dani
7. Prof (Dr) A Lakshminath
8. Dr M N Patel
9. Prof Harish Padh
10. Prof D S Chauhan,
11. Prof Furqan Qamar, Secretary General, AIU

In chair
Member
Member
Member
Member
Member
Member
Member
Member
Special Invitee
Member Secretary

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

- 334/01 To confirm the Minutes of the 333rd Governing Council Meeting held on May 22, 2015 at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab.

Minutes confirmed.

ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES

- 334/02 To report action taken on the Minutes of the 333rd Governing Council Meeting held on May 22, 2015 at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab.

Noted and approved.

ITEMS TO REPORT

- 334/03 To report that Prof. Kedarnath Singh Yadava, VC, Rani Durgavati Vishwavidyalaya, Jabalpur will be representing on the Governing Council of the Association for a period of two years on the basis of his individual seniority from Central Zone with effect from May 9, 2015 in place of Prof Sachidahand Joshi, Vice Chancellor, Kushabhau Thakare University of Journalism and Mass Communication, Raipur who has demitted the office of Vice Chancellor of Kushabhau Thakare University of Journalism and Mass Communication, Raipur.

Noted.

- 334/04 To report appointments/extension/resignations of employees in AIU secretariat.
Extensions

	From	To	Remuneration	
1. Dr Fazlur Rehman, Fellow/Trainee(Res)	15.6.2015	to 14.12.2015	Rs.22,000/- pm	2.
Dr Yogita Thakur, Fellow/Trainee	15.6.2015	to 14.12.2015	Rs.22,000/- pm	

Approved.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

334/05 To consider grant of provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to the following Universities:

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 84th Annual Meeting laid down the following criteria for granting provisional membership of the Association to University Level Institutions:

For Public Funded Universities:

The University should be registered u/s 2(f) or 22 of UGC Act, 1956.

- (a) **National Law University Odisha, Cuttack.** The National Law University Odisha, Cuttack is a public funded University, established through an Act of State Legislature of Orissa through National Law University Odisha Act, 2008 (Odisha Act IV of 2008) notified vide Notification NO.14778/I-Legis.-34/06 published in the Odisha Gazette Extraordinary; No.2215 dated 4.12.2008. The University has been recognized under section 12B of the UGC Act, 1956 vide their letter No.9-10.2010(CPP-I/PU) dated April 2, 2013. The University meets the criteria for grant of provisional membership of the Association.

For Self-financed Private Universities:

- a) The University should be registered u/s 2(f) or 22 of UGC Act, 1956; and
b) The University should have standing of 2(two) Years.
- (b) **Karpagam University (Karapagam Academy of Higher Education), Coimbatore** is a self-financed private deemed university declared so u/s 3 of UGC Act, 1956 vide MHRD Notification No.F.9-24/2004-U.3(A) dated 25th August, 2008. The University has completed 2-years of existence on 24.08.2010 thus fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities. The name of the University is included in the list 44 Universities of the UGC.

Resolved to grant provisional membership of the Association to above mentioned universities subject to fulfillment of criteria laid down in this regard with effect from the year 2015-16 or date of completion of 2-year of existence, whichever is later. The membership to Karapagam University, Coimbatore will be subject to the outcome of the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

334/05 To consider a letter No.1-1/Per/RV/15-16 dated May 28,2015, received from Dr Rishendra Verma, former Joint Director, ICAR-Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar regarding wastage of time for approval of synopsis/thesis evaluation in Universities.

Annexure 05.01

Governing Council considered the proposal and resolved to refer the matter to the University Grants Commission.



SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA: ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

334/06 To consider revision in Medical Reimbursement Rules:

- A) Revision in the ceiling of Medical Reimbursement to AIU Staff Members from Rs. 900/- per month to Rs. 1500/- per month;
- B) Reimbursement of Hospitalization Expenses in non CGHS empanelled hospitals as per CGHS rate/entitlement.

As per AIU Medical Reimbursement Rules, expenditure incurred by the employees on the medical treatment is given for:

1. Reimbursement of Hospitalization Expenses

Admissible expenses incurred in connection with hospitalization of an AIU employee and the members of his/her family are reimbursed as per CGHS Rates for treatment taken in CGHS empanelled hospitals. Hospitalization expenses include:

- Fee paid to the doctors in the approved hospitals as Consultation Fee;
- Expenses incurred in connection with histological, bacteriological, pathological tests and injections etc.
- Expenses incurred on EEG, ECG, EMG etc.
- Fee paid for surgical treatment including operation charges
- Cost of medicines purchased outside by the employee on the basis of prescription of the doctor, provided that the medicine is not available in the hospital and the expenditure is duly supported by a cash bill.
- Room Rent paid by the employee for hospitalization in the hospital

Reimbursement of hospitalization charges shall be regulated by such scales as may be approved by the Governing Council from time to time.

The Finance Committee may, at its discretion, make exceptions to the above rules in suitable cases where hardship is likely to be caused to an employee by a strict interpretation of the above rules.

2. Reimbursement of Medical Expenses

Rs.900/- per month included in the salary for medical treatment of the employees and members of his/her family over and above hospitalization expenses listed at 'A' above i.e. for consultation of doctors, pathological tests, diagnostics, cost of medicines etc.

The proposal is submitted for revision in AIU Medical Reimbursement Rules as under:

- a) The last revision of Rs. 900/ - per month was approved w.e.f. 1.9.2011 in the Governing Council Meeting held on 27.8.2011. Over the years, the medical services have become expensive. The prices of medicines, tests and diagnostics have soared. The consultation fee of the doctors has considerably increased. The reimbursement limit is normally revised after 3 years. Therefore, the revision in the ceiling of medical reimbursement is proposed. Financial impact on the different Budget(s) of this revision in the current financial year would be to the tune of Rs. 2.30 lakhs
- b) The proposal is submitted for kind consideration of the members for reimbursement of hospitalization expenses relating to the ailments mentioned in CGHS and notified/amended by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the medical treatment taken by AIU employees and their

family members from the hospitals other than the empanelled hospitals on CGHS rates/entitlement or actual expenditure whichever is less.

The Governing Council considered the proposal for revision in the Medical Reimbursement Rules and approved as under:

1. Payment to AIU staff toward Medical Reimbursement be now referred to as Medical Allowance and that the same be enhanced from Rs. 900/-per month to Rs. 1500/-per month with effect from 1st July 2015;

2. AIU Staff shall preferably avail hospitalisation in the the CGHS empanelled hospitals with which AIU has entered into an agreement or any other CGHS empanelled hospitals. However, in case the AIU staff or his/her family member avails hospitalisation in the non-CGHS empanelled hospitals, he/she shall be entitled for reimbursement of hospitalisation expenses relating to the ailments mentioned in CGHS and notified/ amended by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the medical treatment on CGHS rates/entitlement or actual expenditure whichever is less.

334/07 To consider nomination of Head of Delegation (HOD) of Sports persons participating in World University Games 2015 scheduled to be held at Gwangju, South Korea from July 3-14, 2015.

[Note: As per Regulations of FISU Events clause No.5.2.2 (Head of Delegation) provides that

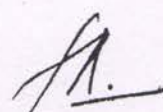
"The countries shall designate a Head of Delegation who alone shall be entitled to represent his/her country, unless otherwise provided for in the rules, in negotiations with the Committees or Sub-Committees of FISU or of the Organizing Committee. However, officially designated Sports Managers or Coaches may protest to CT's on behalf of their own members provided such action is confirmed in writing by the Head of delegation or a Deputy within four hours"

The Sports Board at its meeting held on March 20, 2015 at Acharaya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh decided that "athletes and officials selected for representing Indian Universities Contingent will be sponsored by their respective Universities.

The Joint Secretary (Sports) has suggested as following:

On the perusal of records, it is observed that Punjabi University, Patiala has been able to handle/manage selection trials, advance training and submission of detailed entries of athletes and officials of Indian Contingent, for participation in World University Games 2015 successfully in three (03) disciplines of sports such as Archery, Athletics and Shooting. Hence, Director, Sports/Representative of Punjab University Patiala could be considered to be nominated as Head of Indian delegation for the mega event."]

Governing Council considered the proposal and approved that the Director Sports/Representative of Punjabi University Patiala be nominated as Head of Indian Delegation for the contingent participating in WUG-2015.



334/08 To consider grant of provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to the following Universities:

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 84th Annual Meeting laid down the following criteria for granting provisional membership of the Association to University Level Institutions:

For Self-financed Private Universities:

- c) The University should be registered u/s 2(f) or 22 of UGC Act, 1956; and
- d) The University should have standing of 2(two) Years.

(a)SRM University Haryana, Sonapat (Haryana)

The SRM University Haryana Sonapat is a self-financed private established through an Act of State Legislature of Haryana (Haryana Act No. 8 of 2013) notified on 3.5.2013. The University has completed 2-years of existence on 3.5.2015. The University is recognized u/s 22 of UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide letter No.F.5-5/2015 (CPP-I/PU) dated June 29, 2015. The University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities and eligible to grant provisional membership of the Association with effect from 3.5.2015.

Resolved to grant provisional membership of the Association to above mentioned universities subject to fulfilment of criteria laid down in this regard with effect from the year 2015-16 or date of completion of 2-year of existence, whichever is later.

334/09 To consider the Minutes of the Sub-Committee constituted to frame Guidelines and Regulations for the Equivalence of Degrees awarded by the Indian and Foreign Universities For Studies Undertaken Abroad "held on June 1, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi.

[Note: The Equivalence Committee at its meeting held on 30th December, 2014 while considering the recommendations of the Three Member Sub Committee decided that the Secretary General AIU is authorized to constitute a Three Member Committee of external members and look into the Guidelines and Regulations framed by UGC and AICTE for according equivalence to Indian University (s.) having their campuses abroad and foreign universities operating in India and also to the foreign universities operating in foreign countries.

- | | | |
|----|---|----------|
| 1. | Prof Furqan Qamar, Secretary General, AIU | Chairman |
| 2. | Prof Dilip K Bandyopadhyay, former VC, GGSIPU University | Member |
| 3. | Prof Nageshwar Rao, former VC, UPR Tandon Open University, | Member |
| 4. | Prof R K Chauhan, former VC, Guru Jambheshwar University, Hisar | Member |

Minutes of the Committee at placed at Annexure 9.01.]

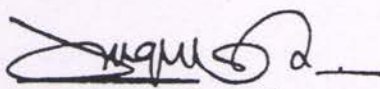
The Governing Council considered the Report of the Committee and after detailed deliberation, approved the recommendations of the Committee for inclusion in the AIU rules for equivalence of degrees with immediate effect.

ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

- 334/10 Members drew attention to the difficulties faced by universities in entering into MoU with foreign universities on account of the recently imposed requirement of obtaining approval of the Cabinet. The Secretary General, AIU requested the members to submit a detailed note in this regard for consideration in the next Meeting of the Governing Council;
- 334/11 On a point raised by the Members about the pendency of the applications for equivalence of PGDM Programmes offered by stand alone Institutes (outside the ambit of University system) having approval of the AICTE, the Secretary General informed that the same are now being disposed off without any delay in accordance with the latest rules as approved by the Governing Council;
- 334/12 On a point raised by the Members about fixing the meeting of the Governing Council in advance, the Secretary General, AIU informed that the present rules require a mandatory 21 days notice for convening a meeting of the Governing Council is given to all members and that the same is being strictly adhered to; however, possibility to fix the meetings on certain pre-specified dates to be notified in advance may be discussed in the next meeting of the Governing Council;
- 334/13 On a point raised by the Member about the requirements imposed by the Nursing Council of India, the Secretary General, requested the Member to submit an item along with explanatory note for discussion in the next Meeting of the Governing Council to enable the Governing Council take an informed view on the matter

Dr H M Desai, concluded the meeting by putting on record his appreciation for the Vice President, the Secretary General, all the Members of Governing Council and all the officers and staff of the AIU for their valuable contributions and cooperation that they extended during his tenure as President of the Association. He hoped that they shall continue to work hard and extend all possible cooperation in time to come as well. He also welcomed the incoming President, Prof (Dr) Ranbir Singh and incoming Vice President Prof. D S Chauhan and wished them success in their endeavour to take the AIU to new heights. Incoming President, AIU Prof (Dr.) Ranbir Singh thanked the outgoing President and also the outgoing Immediate Past President for their contributions and solicited active participation and support of the Vice President, the Secretary General, the Members of the Governing Council and officers and staff of the AIU in the collective efforts to take the AIU to new heights

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.


[Prof. Furqan Qamar]
Secretary General

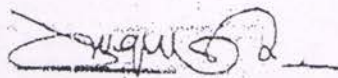
[Dr. H M Desai]
President

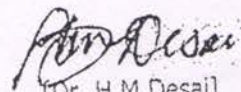
ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

- 334/10 Members drew attention to the difficulties faced by universities in entering into MoU with foreign universities on account of the recently imposed requirement of obtaining approval of the Cabinet. The Secretary General, AIU requested the members to submit a detailed note in this regard for consideration in the next Meeting of the Governing Council;
- 334/11 On a point raised by the Members about the pendency of the applications for equivalence of PGDM Programmes offered by stand alone Institutes (outside the ambit of University system) having approval of the AICTE, the Secretary General informed that the same are now being disposed off without any delay in accordance with the latest rules as approved by the Governing Council;
- 334/12 On a point raised by the Members about fixing the meeting of the Governing Council in advance, the Secretary General, AIU informed that the present rules require a mandatory 21 days notice for convening a meeting of the Governing Council is given to all members and that the same is being strictly adhered to; however, possibility to fix the meetings on certain pre-specified dates to be notified in advance may be discussed in the next meeting of the Governing Council;
- 334/13 On a point raised by the Member about the requirements imposed by the Nursing Council of India, the Secretary General, requested the Member to submit an item along with explanatory note for discussion in the next Meeting of the Governing Council to enable the Governing Council take an informed view on the matter

Dr H M Desai, concluded the meeting by putting on record his appreciation for the Vice-President, the Secretary General, all the Members of Governing Council and all the officers and staff of the AIU for their valuable contributions and cooperation that they extended during his tenure as President of the Association. He hoped that they shall continue to work hard and extend all possible cooperation in time to come as well. He also welcomed the incoming President, Prof (Dr) Ranbir Singh and incoming Vice President Prof. D S Chauhan and wished them success in their endeavour to take the AIU to new heights. Incoming President, AIU Prof (Dr.) Ranbir Singh thanked the outgoing President and also the outgoing Immediate Past President for their contributions and solicited active participation and support of the Vice President, the Secretary General, the Members of the Governing Council and officers and staff of the AIU in the collective efforts to take the AIU to new heights

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.


[Prof. Furqan Qamar]
Secretary General


[Dr. H M Desai]
President