

Association of Indian Universities

Minutes of the 332nd Governing Council Meeting of the Governing Council held on 16.4.2015 at AIU House, New Delhi

Present

1. Dr. H M Desai, President, AIU	In Chair
2. Prof. (Dr) Ranbir Singh, Vice President, AIU	Member
3. The Most Rev. Prof Rajendra B Lal, Immediate Past President, AIU	Member
4. Prof S W Akhtar	Member
5. Prof Mushahid Hussain	Member
6. Prof Rajan M Welukar	Member
7. Dr V Kutumba Sastry	Member
8. Prof C K Kokate	Member
9. Dr J Mahender Reddy	Member
10. Dr Raviprakash G Dani	Member
11. Prof (Dr) A Lakshminath	Member
12. Prof Deepak Kumar Behera	Member
13. Dr M N Patel	Member
14. Prof Furqan Qamar	Member Secretary

At the outset Dr H M Desai, President, AIU welcomed members attending the Governing Council Meeting. He specially welcomed Prof J M Reddy, and Prof Rajan M Welukar who attended the meeting of the Governing Council for the first time. Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for discussion.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

332/01 To confirm the Minutes of the 331st Governing Council Meeting held on February 27, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi.

Annexure 1.

Confirmed

ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES

332/02 To report action taken on the Minutes of the 331st Governing Council Meeting held on February 27, 2015 AIU House, New Delhi.

Annexure 2.01

Noted and approved.

ITEMS TO REPORT

332/03 To report that Professor Matthew Prasad, Vice Chancellor, Uttarakhand University of Horticulture and Forestry, Bharsar has been co-opted on the Governing Council for a period of two years in pursuance of the decision of the 331st Governing Council Meeting held on 27.02.2015 at AIU House, New Delhi.

Noted.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

332/04 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 Institute of Design, Ahmedabad** is an Institute of National Importance established through an Act of Parliament (No.18 of 2014) for promotion of quality and excellence in education, research and training in all disciplines relating to design and matter connected therewith or incidental thereto by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. The Institute is offering UG and PG courses (B. Des and M. Des). The Institute is eligible to grant provisional membership of AIU.

For Self-financed Private Universities:

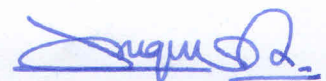
- a) The University should be registered u/s 2(f) or 22 of UGC Act, 1956; and
b) The University should have standing of 2(two) Years.
- (b) **Kalasilingam University, Krishnankoil, Tamil Nadu** is a self-financed private funded deemed university established **u/s 3 of University Grants Commission Act, 1956 in 2006**. The University has completed 2-year of existence and has been registered u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956. The University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU
- (c) **Assam Kazirana University, Jorhat, Assam** is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Assam (Act VII of 2012) notified on 5.4.2012. The University has completed 2-year of existence. The University has been empowered to award degrees as specified by the UGC under section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 vide their letter No.F.No.8-1/2013(CPP-I/PU) dated June 5, 2013.. The University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU.

Associate Membership

[Note: The provision of AIU Rules for granting Associate Membership to University level Institutions of neighbouring countries is as below:

2.1 (a) Associate Membership

- i. Universities of other countries may, on application, be enrolled as 'Associate Member' of the Association of Indian Universities, provided these Universities are recognised Universities in their respective country.
 - ii. Such Associate members will be eligible to participate in all activities of the Association of Indian Universities, but shall not be eligible to Vote.
 - iii. The Associate members shall pay the annual membership subscription etc. as is paid by the regular members.
- (d) **South Asian University, New Delhi** is a public funded University established by an Act of Parliament (No.8 of 2009) notified on January 13, 2009.



[Note: The University has been established through an Act of Parliament of India and has requested for grant of Associate Membership of the Association.]

Resolved to grant provisional membership of the Association to universities at (a), (b) and (c) above as per AIU Rules and Regulations from the year 2015-16 or with effect from the date of completion of two-year of existence, whichever is later.

The Governing Council resolved to grant Associate Membership of the Association to South Asian University, New Delhi in view of the fact that the Act of the University has also been ratified by the Parliaments of SAARC Countries.

- 332/05 To consider letter No.F.17-7/2015-U.5 dated 24.03.2015 received from Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development enclosing Draft Guidelines on Model Education Loan Scheme 2015 of Indian Banks' Association and seeking comments of the Association.

Annexure 6.01

There was a detailed discussion on the subject. Members expressed their appreciation that the MHRD has started consulting AIU; (2) The margin amount of 5% is too high for brilliant students belonging to lower strata family; (3) The amount is meager in view of fees and cost of living in advanced countries like USA.

It was resolved that the members may study the paper and send their considered views thereon for onward transmission to MHRD by Monday, April 20, 2015.

- 332/06 To consider on-line payment of Employees Pension Scheme, 1995 and Administrative Charges in favor of Employees Provident Fund Organisation.

[Note: In order to further reduce the mandatory interface with EPFO/Bank and to improve the ease of doing business in India. EPFO is contemplating to make payments of challans mandatory through Internet Banking Mode. Presently the payments in favor of Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) are made through Demand Draft alongwith e-challan (s). The Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has informed vide e-mail dated 14.03.2015 that the payment of 1st month of the next Financial Year shall be accepted only through Internet Banking Mode.

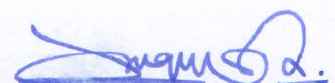
Accordingly, approval may please be accorded for online payment in favor of Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO). Presently the Service Tax payment is made through Internet Banking mode and the Head of the Finance Division has been nominated for online payment of tax liabilities through Internet Banking.]

Approved. It was also resolved that payments to AIU employees like newspaper, telephone bills, etc. may also be made through RTGS transfer only.

- 332/07 To consider organization of 89th Annual Meeting of the Association of Indian Universities

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 88th Annual Meeting (Business Session) while considering item No. BS 11 regarding hosting the 89th Annual Meeting of the Association in the North Zone in 2015 inter-alia resolved as under:

"The following Universities have agreed to host the Annual Meeting:



1. Amity University Uttar Pradesh, NOIDA
2. Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
3. Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar
4. Gautam Buddha University, Greater NOIDA
5. Gurukula Kangri Vishwavidyalaya, Haridwar
6. Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra
7. Lingaya's University, Faridabad
8. Lovely Professional University, Phagwara
9. Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, Meerut
10. Teerthankar Mahaveer University, Moradabad

The recommendations of the Governing Council Meeting on 24.2.2014 wherein it as recommended to hold the next Annual Meeting and selected the Universities, out of above 10 universities, as detailed below:

1. Amity University Uttar Pradesh, NOIDA
2. Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra
3. Lovely Professional University, Phagwara

Members observed that since the last Special General Body Meeting of the Association was held at Amity University Uttar Pradesh, NOIDA, the Kurukshetra University be given the opportunity to organize the next Annual Meeting.

After detailed discussion it was resolved to hold the next Annual General Body Meeting of the Association at Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra."

Accordingly, the Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra was requested to organise the 89th Annual Meeting. However, due to some unavoidable circumstances the Annual General Meet scheduled to be held at Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra on April 17-18-19, 2015 has been postponed.

The matter is placed for deciding the venue and dates for organization of the 89th Annual Meeting of the Association.]

Considered with item No.332/08

332/08

To consider a letter dated April 13, 2015, received from Lt. Gen (Dr) D D S Sandhu, Vice Chancellor, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra regarding postponement of 89th Annual Meeting of the Association of Indian Universities, scheduled to be held at Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra during April 17-19, 2015.

Annexure 8.01
Annexure 8.02

[Note: A communication dated sent by the Secretary General, AIU to Hon'ble President, AIU; Hon'ble Vice President, AIU and Hon'ble Immediate Past President, AIU in this regard is placed as Annexure 8.02]

Item No.332/07 and 332/08 were considered together.

Secretary General, AIU explained in detail in the circumstances chronological order leading to postponement of the 89th Annual Meeting of the Association scheduled to be held at Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra twice (first from February 23-25, 2015 and second from April 17-19, 2015). Members took stock of the ground position and endorsed the decision unanimously for postponement of Annual General Meeting scheduled during April 17-19, 2015.

Member deliberated in detail about the venue for organization of 89th Annual Meeting sometime in May/ early June, 2015.

The Secretary General, AIU informed the House that offer from the following Universities have been received in the wake of postponement of Annual General Meeting to organise the same at their University on one month's notice:

1. Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla
2. Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow
3. National Law University Delhi, New Delhi
4. G L A University, Mathura

After detailed discussions and keeping in view the decision of the 88th Annual General Meeting, it was decided to explore organization of Annual Meeting at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara. Else the meeting may be organized at National Law University Delhi, New Delhi.

It was also decided to send an appropriate reply to Lt. Gen (Dr) D D S Sandhu.

332/09 **To consider grant of provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to the following University:**

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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.
- (e) **Sri Sai University, Palampur** is a self-financed private university established through an Act of State Legislature of Himachal Pradesh in 2011 (Act No.3 of 2011) notified on January 29, 2011. The University has completed 2-year of its existence on 28.01.2013. The University has been empowered to award degrees u/s 22 of UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.8-2/2011(CPP-I/PU) dated May 31, 2011. The University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU from the year 2015-16.

Resolved to grant provisional membership of the Association to Sri Sai University, Palampur as per AIU Rules and Regulations from the year 2015-16 or with effect from the date of completion of two-year of existence, whichever is later.

332/10 **To report appointments/extension/resignations/termination of contractual employees in AIU Secretariat:**

Extension:-				
Sr. No.	Name and designation	Period of apptt/ extension		Remuneration Per month
		From	To	
1.	Shri Raj Kumar, Driver	2.3.2015	1.9.2015	Rs.14,000/-
2.	Shri Teetu Bhati, MTS	11.3.2015	10.9.2015	Rs.10,000/-
3.	Shri Ramchandra Maurya, Part-Time Mali	16.2.2015	15.8.2015	Rs.4,000/-
Resignation:-				
1.	Shri Babuli Naik, Trainee/Fellow (Research) w.e.f.27.2.2015(A/N)			
2.	Shri A.D. Bhateja, Consultant(Finance/Accounts) w.e.f.24.3.2015(A/N)			

Noted and approve.

Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

Prof. Raviprakash G Dani, Vice Chancellor, Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Agricultural University, Akola informed the House about the successful organization of Indian Science Congress during January 3-7, 2015 under the able leadership of Prof Rajan M Welukar, Vice chancellor, University of Mumbai at Mumbai wherein more than 6000 delegates and 20 Nobel Laureates participated.

The House joined Prof Raviprakash G Dani in congratulating Prof Rajan M Welukar for successful organization of the Meet and place on record the sentiments of the house in this regard.

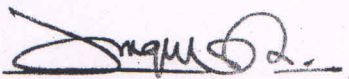
It was suggested to explore possibilities for organization of joint meeting of the Governing Council with the Chairman, UGC to sort out various difficulties being faced by the Universities.

The matter regarding grant of provisional membership to Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai, a constituent college of University of Mumbai was discussed.

The University Institute of Chemical Technology (Autonomous), Matunga, Mumbai was granted Deemed to be University Status vice MHRD, Department of Higher Education Notification No.F.9-61/2005-U.3 dated 12.09.2008,. The University is a public funded University. The State of Maharashtra granted Central of Excellence on 20.4.2012.


The Governing Council resolved to grant provisional membership of AIU to Institute of Chemical Technology with effect from the year 2015-16.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.


[Prof Furqan Qamar]
Secretary General


[Dr H M Desai]
President

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President, AIU