

ASSOCIATION OF INDILAN UNIVERSITIES

Minutes of the 89th Annual Meeting (General Session) held at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, 144 411 (Punjab) on May 25, 2015, at 9:30 am.

At the outset Dr. H M Desai, President, AIU welcomed all the members participating in the 89th Annual Meeting being hosted by the Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab. He thanked Shri Ashok Mittal, Chancellor, and Prof Ramesh Kanwar, Vice Chancellor, Lovely Professional University, Phagwara for making excellent arrangements for boarding and lodging for members at a very short notice. Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for consideration.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

- GS 01 To confirm the Minutes of the 88th Annual Meeting (General Session) held at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT University), Bhubaneswar on February 25, 2014

Minutes Confirmed.

ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES

- GS 02 To report action taken on the Minutes of the 88th Annual Meeting (General Session) held at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT University), Bhubaneswar on February 25, 2014

Noted and approved.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF ZONAL VICE CHANCELLORS' MEETS 2013-14

- GS 03 To consider the recommendations of the West Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet held on December 1-2, 2014 at Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur, Rajasthan.

Considered with item No.GS 07

- GS 04 To consider the recommendations of the East Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet held on December 5-6, 2014 at Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh, Jharkhand,

Considered with item No.GS 07

- GS 05 To consider the recommendations of the South Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet held on December 13-14, 2014 at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education, Chennai.

Considered with item No.GS 07



- GS 06 To consider the recommendations of the North Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet held on December 15-16, 2014 at Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh.

Considered with item No.GS 07

- GS 07 To consider the recommendations of the Central Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet held on January 21-22, 2015 at Sam Higginbottom Institute of Agriculture, Technology and Sciences, Allahabad.

Item No.GS 03, GS 04, GS 05, GS 06 and GS07 were considered together.

Resolved that recommendations, as summarized, may be sent to the concerned bodies/agencies for taking action thereon.

- GS 08 To consider a proposal received from Prof. (Dr) R N Sharma, vice Chancellor, Institute of Advanced Studies in Education, Sardarshahar, District Churu, Rajasthan on "Empowerment of Rural People through establishment of a Rural Education System: Education for Rural Transformation and Development."

[Note: The concept of rural Universities and rural Institutions has been thought of keeping in view the experience of the past and analysis of the present situation.

The aim of such system will be to utilize the great reservoir of rural peoples' energy and intelligence and to utilize their vast potential for development. This system will revitalize and energize Indian villages to make them self reliant and attractive places for living which would prevent population drifting and shifting in disarray from rural to urban areas.

The proposed rural education system will be based on "Learning by Doing" and practical work experience and it will be related to rural community life so as to impart a new thrust to rural transformation by integrating work and education. In this system the teachers will, apart from imparting instructions, also function as a catalyst for rural development.

Thus, the Rural Education deserves the highest priority.]

Resolved to recommend the proposal to members seeking their views. After receipt of comments from members, the same may be forwarded to the Ministry of Rural Development for further necessary action.

- GS 09 To consider the following proposals received from Prof. (Dr) Vishnu Potty V S, Vice Chancellor ,Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi Viswa Mahavidyalaya, Kancheepuram Tamil Nadu:

- (1) As the name of our Association suggest, AIU is primarily an Association of Universities. The Vice Chancellors of all member Universities represent their respective Institutions and are expected to interact with other members, primarily on the endorsed view points of the Universities. Hence it is essential that the appropriate bodies of authority in every such Member University fix an agenda point in their annual meetings regarding proposals with AIU, if



any, or points of common concern. The evolved decisions thereupon should be brought out by the Vice Chancellors in the periodical/zonal/national level members of AIU. By this way many common points of concern and measures of academic improvement could be unanimously agreed upon for implementation or taken up with appropriate authorities for decisions/orders.

- (2) Every member University of AIU should automatically recognize degrees/ diplomas awarded by every other member University without any equivalence procedure, provided such nomenclature are duly approved by UGC or AICTE or any other relevant monitoring organization. A suitable resolution to that effect has to be passed in the ensuing meeting of AIU as well as the meeting of the authorities of Member Universities (senate/syndicate/ any other appropriate body).

The Annual General Meeting noted the suggestion at (1) above and resolved to write to all member Universities accordingly. As regards (2) above, the Annual General Meeting resolved that the degrees awarded by a member University be recognized by all other member Universities provided that each university shall ensure that the degrees are in accordance with the regulations/guidelines issued by the Ministry of Human Resource Development/University Grants Commission/All India Council for Technical Education or any other concerned regulatory bodies.

- GS 10 To consider the proposal received from Dr. Gursharan Singh, Dean, PG Studies, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana on "Ensuring Competent Human Resource in the Universities".

[Note: With the implementation of Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) in the universities across the country, it has become extremely difficult to distinguish between good and not-so-good scientists/teachers. There is not much scope to differentiate for quality of output. For example, quality of publications is judged by the standing of the Journals assuming that all papers in a Journal are of same quality. This has brought a change in the working faculties wherein they aim their activities for earning marks as per the score card and the same has resulted in lack of competitive working environment. This is a great barrier in promoting excellence in higher education system. The result is generally high rate of promotion. With low level of recruitment of the Assistant Professor/equivalent in the universities, the pyramid is already inverted with more Professors/Associate Professors as compared to Assistant Professors. It is high time that due attention should be paid to rectify this situation.]

Letting ***The Annual General Meeting resolved that the proposal may be recommended to ICAR for necessary action.***

- GS 11 To consider the following proposal received from Ch Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar:

(a) Supporting basic research in Agricultural University.

[Note: Basic Sciences have played a pivotal role in the molecular understanding of vital processes of life. Basic sciences disciplines like biochemistry, biotechnology, botany, chemistry, plant physiology, microbiology, zoology and statistics have contributed significantly in explaining the mysteries of living beings, particularly crop plants. It is topical for agencies like Ministry of HRM

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and UGC to support the teaching and research efforts being undertaken in professional institutions like agricultural universities. Furthermore, the upcoming fields such as Molecular Biology, Genetic Engineering, Environmental Sciences, Genomics, Proteomics, Vermintech and Nano-biotechnology are required to be liberally supported to target the objectives of food and nutritional security and safeguard the ecological balance of our ecosystem.]

(b) Research emphasis on environment, human health

[Note: Due to high use of chemicals including pesticides, fertilizers and greater industrialization; soils are becoming infertile and environment is getting polluted. Many chronic diseases are also transmitted from crop produce and animal products to the human beings thus deteriorating the human health. Therefore, environmental volunteers, agriculture scientists and human dieticians need to come together to develop a mechanism of crop production that keeps our environment healthy, provides quality food with efficient and judicious use of natural resources.]

(c) Accreditation of UG Agricultural degrees by ICAR in non-SAUs at National Level

[Note: Several traditional/private universities have Faculty of Agriculture/Home Science Colleges affiliated with them (e.g., Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar; CCS University, Meerut; Amity University/ Lovely Professional University etc.). Such colleges/faculties are regulated and governed by UGC; whereas SAUs have constituent colleges of Agriculture which are regulated by ICAR. While in SAUs the degree nomenclature/curricula/syllabi for B. Sc. (Hons.) Ag./ H.Sc. are more or less uniform; those in traditional/private universities are at variance. This often creates difficulties for graduates passing out from non-SAUs, in terms of equivalence, admission to PG programmes etc.]

(d) Funds for supporting proper utilization of green waste

[Note: A huge amount of green waste is being produced from various resources. This green waste creates havoc and leads to pollution in our system. Under the Govt. of India latest initiative, "Swachh Bharat Abhiyan", we are meticulously using this green waste for the production of compost/vermin-compost. This compost/ vermin-compost can be utilized for various vegetables and agricultural crops as a fertilizer. Furthermore, this can also be utilized in aquaculture. This green waste can also be utilized for the production of biogas. These ventures can be modulated on a large scale for the effective utilization of green waste. Thus by utilizing the green waste, we are producing compost/vermin-compost and biogas on one hand and on the other hand also keeping our campus clean under the motive of "Swachh Bharat Abhiyan". Adequate funds should be provided to the University for carrying out these activities.]

The Annual General Meeting appreciated the proposal and resolved to forward the same to the Indian Council for Agricultural Research and the University Grants Commission for due consideration.

GS 12 To consider the proposal received from Prof A Padma Raju, VC, Acharya N G Ranga Agricultural University, Hyderabad on "Cooperation and Coordination between Technical Universities and Traditional Universities to promote excellence in Higher education".

[Note: India's higher education system is one of the world's largest with about 700 Universities. These include traditional Universities besides several Technical Universities (Engineering, Agriculture, Horticulture, Veterinary Science, Agricultural Engineering, Architecture & fine



arts Food Science and Technology, Health Science, Law, Journalism, etc.,) and open & deemed Universities. The educational process should be such that it ensures students achieve their goals and thereby satisfies the needs of the Society, State and Nation for development and prosperity.

Quality in higher education is the major concern of the Nation. The Country is taking up several models and concepts for quality assurance. In case of Agriculture and allied fields, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) established an Accreditation Board in 1996 to accredit higher education Institutes and programmes in different branches of Agriculture and allied Science including Agricultural Engineering and Veterinary Science. Though these systems show encouraging results, this will be further impressive and effective by way of strong linkages and collaboration among various Universities to have innovations in teaching, research and extension and thereby relevance and excellence to the academic programmes of the Universities.

Many of the technical/professional courses Universities concentrate more on applied science without the required extent of basic sciences and humanities in the curriculum. This highlights the need to have proper cooperation and coordination between technical and traditional Universities. We find glaring disparities among different Universities and colleges of the same profession (for example Agriculture). As funding and financial resources are different, there will be vast differences in infrastructural facilities and manpower. Teaching, research and extension activities to empower nation with world class human resource, R&D and product innovations are possible through strong linkages among different Universities which enables free movement of students, faculty and scientific ideas.

The above excellence would be achieved by free sharing of infrastructural facilities and expertise among Universities/Institutions. Each and every Institution should connect to knowledge network so that all students and faculty, wherever they are, could utilize for advancement. Linkages with national and global Universities/Institutions ensure the vital flow of information and knowledge on latest findings and innovations. This promotes faculty development for quality in higher education systems. Universities/Institution should also work with industries for joint guidance of major projects and fellowships to the students. Interest in scientific aspects could be created among school going children and students with due cooperation with local schools and colleges of basic sciences. We must focus on collaboration, cooperation and linkages among different Universities/Institutions for taking advantage of strengths of others Universities and to minimize efforts and finance on particular activity of teaching or research or extension. Quality, relevance and excellence could be well achieved through effective linkages and mechanisms for collaborations, coordination and co-operations among different Universities/Institutions at national and global levels. It is desirable to establish central level and state level. Inter Universities coordinating Bodies for mutual counseling and discussion on academic planning and development. These bodies may be constituted with Vice-Chancellors and experts representing all branches of sciences.

Although the above agenda item is not new and several Vice-Chancellors and experts expressed its need on different fora, the item is proposed to draw the attention of the participants for its effective implementation.]

Resolved to commend the proposal to members for consideration.

GS 13

To consider the proposal received from Dr George John, Vice Chancellor, Birsā Agricultural University, Ranchi regarding Summer Internship of one month for the P.G. students in Agricultural Universities

[Note : After completing P.G. Degree, students join in different firms. If the students have an opportunity to go for summer internship during their P.G. Courses, they will have better experience of life. They will learn a lot beyond the bookish knowledge before they go for the job.]

The Annual General Meeting noted and felt that the Universities have necessary autonomy to implement such good ideas.

GS 14 To consider a proposal received from Saurashtra University, Jamnagar regarding "**C.B.C.S. and its implications on higher education "**

✓ **The Annual General Meeting resolved that the Hon'ble member may submit detailed note to enable informed deliberation on the issue.**

GS 15 To consider a proposal received from Prof. Chandrakala Padia, VC, Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner on "Role of Value Education in promoting excellence in Higher Education"

✓ **The Annual General Meeting resolved that the Hon'ble member may submit detailed note to enable informed deliberation on the issue.**

GS 16 To consider the following suggestion received from Prof S W Akhtar, Vice Chancellor, Integral University, Lucknow:

1. Role of Statutory bodies

[Note: The role of statutory bodies like AICTE, PCI, CoA, NCTE etc. with respect to a University not very straight forward. Universities are guided by UGC and these also get accreditation from NAAC. The accreditation depends on the norms set up by Statutory Bodies. Therefore, to take permission from statutory bodies regularly for the extension of programmes like courses of pharmacy, Architecture etc. does not appear to be reasonable and it not only consumes a lot of time in getting the inspection done from these statutory Bodies but it also causes a huge expenditure on the exchequer of the University. Therefore, role of statutory bodies should be made positive and healthy in terms of guidance of course structure etc and not as a controlling organization. The overall control is already exercised by UGC.

2. Grant of 12-B Status

[Note: There are about more than 700 Universities in the Country, which has been segregated in different categories. Poignancy is added to the fact that financial help is not granted to a University, which does not come under 12-B Category, although it may fulfill all the criteria required for having a 12-B Status. This University is one of those which are trying for the last couple of years to get this status but unfortunately all our efforts are dashed against the wall on one or other flimsy ground. Although a team of UGC had inspected the University in the month of May 2014, yet after going back to its office, certain baseless objections were raised by the team; the reply of which was promptly given vide this office letter No.IU/RO/GA/UGC/12(B)/2014556 dated 20.11.2014. Thereafter, UGC is keeping quite over this matter. Such

step motherly attitude with Private Universities is going to affect the educational program of the country. It is, therefore, in the best interest of the country that all the hurdles should be removed and all the Universities should be treated at par with each other and every University should get financial support from UGC for making headway.

3. Accreditation by NAAC and NBA.

[Note: The working of Accreditation Board and Council also requires to be redefined. National Board of Accreditation (NBA) carries out accreditation of individual departments, while National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC) carried out accreditation of the entire Institution/University. It is found that the assessment of the departments is not correctly carried out in most of the courses, even if department deserves to get the accreditation. It is deprived on some flimsy ground. Therefore, the assessment of the department should be carried out by professor having positive approach and unbiased attitude for educational institutions. Thus a team of such professors are required to be framed by NBA. On the other hand NAAC is so busy that for the last several years, we are trying to get accreditation of NAAC but still we have not got the required time from NAAC for the inspection. This shows that NAAC is too busy and overloaded, therefore, subunits of NAAC are required to be established in every province, so that the inspection of NAAC should be expedited and institutions could get proper recognition.]

The Annual General Meeting resolved that these issues be referred to the Committee constituted by the Governing Council in its 331st Meeting held on February 27, 2015 on the proposal submitted by Prof V Kutumb Sastry, Vice Chancellor, Shri Somnath Sanskrit University, Veraval Gujarat.

GS 17 To consider the following proposal received from Dr. M Abdul Salam, Vice Chancellor, University of Calicut, Calicut.

UGC Public Notice No.F.27-1/2012(CPP-II) dated 27th June, 2013 on Courses/Study Centres/Off Campuses and Territorial Jurisdiction of Universities

b) a University established or incorporated by or under a State Act shall operate only within the territorial jurisdiction allotted to it under its Act and in case beyond the territory of the State of its location.

Note: There are large numbers of NRI students studying abroad through distance education mode under the University of Calicut and they will be put to great difficulty, due to this decision of UGC. Hence, the decision of the UGC is to be reviewed at the larger interest of the NRI student community and larger interest of education.

The Annual General Meeting resolved that these issues be referred to the Committee constituted by the Governing Council in its 331st Meeting held on February 27, 2015 on the proposal submitted by Prof V Kutumb Sastry, Vice Chancellor, Shri Somnath Sanskrit University, Veraval Gujarat.



To consider the following suggestions received Prof M R Prasad, Prof & Dean, Monad university, Hapur:

1. Each and every University should identify the teachers in their own jurisdiction who can guide the researcher
2. The field of research of individual teachers must be known to the concerned universities
3. The names of the capable teachers and their individual fields must be reported to AIU by the individual universities
4. AIU may send the complete names and field of different teachers (guides) to all the interested Universities and recognized Institutions.
5. UGC/AIU may take responsibility to conduct a national level written test for the candidates who are interested in research.
6. There should be at least state level competition for master level degree in Arts, Commerce, Science and Literature and only eligible candidate be allowed for master degree course.
7. Some good industries are having their own research wings which may be contacted to reciprocate the field of research.
8. Some research organizations like CEERI, TFE, NIFFT etc much have centralized office like (AIU) so that educational institutions, Universities, Research Organization may interact for quality of research and different fields of research
9. Those teachers, who are Ph.D guides must be paid some honorarium and for that a national policy be made.
10. There should be some specific period and time frame to publish paper/papers and competition of Ph.D. It may be as per the work of research. The guide may state in advance of the period.
11. The international journals and national journals in India must be recognized by AIU, UGC, AICTE and other Councils of education India. The names of those journals be informed to all the Indian Universities and foreign Universities.
12. Much deterioration in the field of higher education and Research is there because of promotions & appointments policy in the field of teaching. The details are given (written) already to AIU two months ago.
13. To quash all the anomalies in the field of research and higher education, the above mentioned strategies may be much useful across the country.

The Annual General Meeting resolved that these issues be referred to the Committee constituted by the Governing Council in its 331st Meeting held on February 27, 2015 on the proposal submitted by Prof V Kutumb Sastry, Vice Chancellor, Shri Somnath Sanskrit University, Veraval Gujarat.



GS 19 To consider the Minutes of the Committee constituted to synthesize recommendations of the Zonal VCs Meets held during 2013-14.

[Note: The General Body the Association at its 88th Annual Meeting (General Session) held at KIIT University, Bhubaneswar on February 25, 2014 while considering the Minutes of Zonal Vice Chancellors' Meets 2013-14 resolved to constitute a Committee to synthesize the recommendations for taking further necessary action thereon.

Accordingly, the President, AIU constituted a Committee comprising of the following:

1. Prof A D N Bajpai, VC, H P University, Shimla
2. Prof Paramjit S Jaswal, VC, Rajiv Gandhi National Law University, Punjab, Patiala
3. Prof Manoj Soni, VC, Dr B R Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad
4. Prof Deepak Behera, VC, Berhampur University, Berhampur
5. Prof Furqan Qamar, Secretary General, AIU

Accordingly, a Meeting of the Committee was held on March 30, 2015 at AIU House. The Minutes of Meeting are placed as Annexure 18.01.]

Resolved to commend the recommendation to concerned bodies/agencies for consideration and necessary action.

GS20 To consider a proposal received from Prof. (Dr) Devendra Pathak, Vice Chancellor, Dr K N Modi University, Newai, District Tonk, Rajasthan on "Challenges of Higher Education in India"

Annexure 20.01

Prof (Dr) Devendra Pathak was requested to send detailed note for consideration by the Annual General Meeting.

GS 21 To consider a proposal received from Dr. Surjit Singh Pabla, Vice Chancellor, Manglayatan University, Aligarh on "Need for Creation of National Higher Education Service"

Annexure 21.01 [Pp 4-6]

Dr. Surjit Singh Pabla was requested to send complete proposal for publication in the University News for a wider circulation.

GS 22 To consider the following proposals received from Prof S W Akhtar, Vice Chancellor, Integral University, Lucknow:

- (1) Vide my letter No.IU/VCO/GS/AIU/2015/167 dated 11.4.2015, I had pointed out that both the inspection i.e. NAAC and that of NBA should not be kept for Universities to avoid double expenditure and wastage of time, money and energy on similar activities which are repeated in both the inspections. The Inspect of NAAC should exclusively be kept for Universities while that of NBA for Colleges / Institutions in order to avoid repetition of similar activities.



- (2) Besides, as per report of the Time of India dated 2nd May, 2015, India is setup to evolve its own system of ranking in higher educational institutions. It will be having six groups of outcomes on which institutions will be ranked in a similar way as NAAC has seven groups of rankings at present. It will further involve the expenditure of money, time and energy to prepare it for this new assessment programme. I hope that all the systems should be got simplified so that more and more time is available for teaching activities which is primary import for any higher educational institutions. All these should be discussed in great details in the forthcoming meeting of AIU.
- (3) It has been observed that the attitude of NAAC, during inspection is not positive and realistic, with the result that institutions do not get proper recognition of their achievements, academic activities and innovations e.g. our university took a number of initiatives in the promotion of higher, technical and professional education. But all these were totally ignored and no marking were done on these indicators. On the other hand small colleges which are housed in small buildings are given "A" Grade while affiliating university of this college got "B" grade e.g. National PG College and IT P G College, Lucknow got "A" Grade while Lucknow University itself got "B" Grade. This is something preposterous. All these anomalies should have to be removed and the seven criteria should be re-framed by NAAC to carry out proper inspection so that every Institution/ University should be judged in real perspective and they could get their due desserts in keeping with their achievements and promotional activities.
- (4) UGC is going to revise Academic Performance Indicators to make it more realistic and appropriate. I had developed these indicators at my own level at Integral University, Lucknow. This is very under practice here. I had send a copy of these indicators vide this office letter No. IU/VCO/GA/UGC/API/2015/196 dated 2.5.2015. I would like that these indicators may kindly be kept in view while devising the new APIS. Moreover, the finalization of these indicators should be made after having obtained the opinion of Vice Chancellors of various Universities.

The Annual General Meeting resolved that these issues be referred to the Committee constituted by the Governing Council in its 331st Meeting held on February 27, 2015 on the proposal submitted by Prof V Kutumb Sastry, Vice Chancellor, Shri Somnath Sanskrit University, Veraval Gujarat.

The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thank to the Chair.



[Prof Furqan Qamar]
Secretary General

[Dr H M Desai]
President

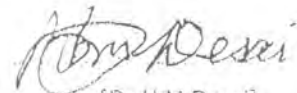
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The Annual General Meeting resolved that these issue be referred to the Committee constituted by the Governing Council in its 331st Meeting held on February 27, 2015 on the proposal submitted by Prof V Kutumb Sastry, Vice Chancellor, Shri Somnath Sanskrit University, Veraval Gujarat.

The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thank to the Chair.



[Prof Furqan Qamar]
Secretary General



[Dr H M Desai]
President

BS 31

To consider the Minutes of the Committee constituted to look into the case of Prof Y C Simhadani, Vice Chancellor, Patna University, Patna for his nomination as President, of the Association.

Annexure 31.01

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 88th Annual Meeting held on February 25, 2014 at KIFT University, Bhubaneswar while considering item No.BS 12 Inter-alia resolved to constitute a Committee comprising of Prof R Sethuraman, Prof. A D N Bajpai and Secretary General AIU as members to look into the matter as per Rules of AIU.

A Meeting of the Committee was held on March 30, 2015 at AIU House. The Minutes of the meeting are placed as Annexure 31.01]

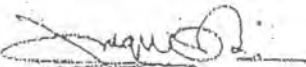
Resolved to accept the recommendations of the Committee.


Any other item with the permission of the Chair

Dr. H M Desai, thanked all members, members of the Governing Council, Vice President, Immediate Past President, and the Secretary General for extending full cooperation for successfully discharging his duties during his tenure as President of the Association.

The House placed on record the excellent services rendered by Dr H M Desai as President, AIU and Prof Ranbir Singh as, Vice President, AIU during the year 2014-15.

Prof Ranbir Singh thanked the House and hoped continue to get cooperation from all member Vice Chancellors for making the Association visible on horizon of higher education and take it to new heights with the active and continued cooperation of all stake holders.


[Prof Furgan Qamar]
Secretary General


[Dr H M Desai]
President

ASSOCIATION OF INDILAN UNIVERSITIES

Minutes of the 89th ANNUAL MEETING (BUSINESS SESSION) held at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara 144 411 (Punjab) on May 25, 2015 at 11:30 am

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

- BS 01 To confirm the Minutes of the 88th Annual Meeting (Business Session) held at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT University), Bhubaneswar on February 25, 2014

Approved.

ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES

- BS 02 To report action taken on the Minutes of the 88th Annual Meeting (Business Session) held at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT University), Bhubaneswar on February 25, 2014.

Noted and approved.

ITEMS TO REPORT

- BS 03 To report that Dr. H M Desai, Vice Chancellor, Dharmsinh Desai University, Nadiad, Gujarat 387 001 has taken over as the President of the Association of Indian Universities for a period of one year with effect from July 1, 2014.

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 88th Annual Meeting held February 25, 2014 at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, Bhubaneswar nominated Dr. H M Desai Vice Chancellor, Dharmsinh Desai University, Nadiad, Gujarat 387 001, as President of the Association of Indian Universities for a period of one year with effect from 1.7.2014 to 30.06.2015.]

Noted.

- BS 04 To report that Dr. H M Desai, Vice Chancellor, Dharmsinh Desai University, Nadiad, Gujarat 387 001 will represent, in ex-officio capacity, on the following bodies:

1. All India Council of Technical Education, New Delhi
2. Central Board of Secondary Education, Governing Body, New Delhi
3. Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla
4. National Institute of Rural Development, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad
5. Ministry of PIO Committee to grant "Deemed University" status to de novo Universities set up by NRI/PIO.

Noted.

- BS 05 To report that Prof G N Samten, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi 221 007 has taken over as the Vice President of the Association of Indian Universities, for a period of one year with effect from July 1, 2014.

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 88th Annual Meeting held February 25, 2014 at Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, Bhubaneswar nominated Prof. G N Samten, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi as Vice President, AIU for a period of one year with effect from 1.7.2014 to 30.6.2014.]

Noted.

BS 06 To report Prof. (Dr) Ranbir Singh, Vice Chancellor National Law University of Delhi has been designated as Vice President of the Association for the period upto 30.06.2015 vice Prof G N Samten who has demitted the office of the Vice Chancellor, Central University Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath.

Noted.

BS 07 To report that in pursuance of decision taken at the 328th Governing Council Meeting held at Dharmsinh Desai University, Nadiad under Item No.328/14, on PMO ID No.4016524/PMO/2014 dated 11th July, 2014, the Secretary General, AIU has sent a communication to Ministry of Human Resource Development on July 30, 2014 reflecting the sentiments of the House on points raised therein with a copy to all Members of the Governing Council.

Noted.

BS 08 To report that the following members have been nominated on the Court and Council of the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore for the quadrennium 2014-17:

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| (1)East Zone: | (1)Prof Lalji Singh, VC, BHU | Court and Council |
| | (b)Dr S N Puri, VC, CAU, Imphal in place of Prof Lalji Singh, VC BHU who has demitted the office of VC, BHU | |
| (2)North Zone | Er H S Chahal, VC, MDU Rohtak | Court |
| (3)West Zone | Prof Harish Padh, VC, SP University | Court and Council |
| (4)South Zone | Prof C K Kokate, VC, KLE University | Court |

Noted.

BS 09 To report that the Medical Faculties of the Indian Universities have elected the following members to represent on the Governing Body of the Indian Council of Medical Research for a period of three years:

1. Dr Vivek A Saoji, Dean and Principal, Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pune
 2. Dr. Nalini Anand, Prof Gynecology, M P Shah Govt Medical College and GGG Hospital, Jamnagar
 3. Prof Nitin Gangane Mirgarejdra, MGIMS, Dist Wardha, Maharashtra University of Health Sciences, Nashik, Maharashtra
- [Members elected and the ICMR have been informed about their nomination]

Noted.

- BS 10 To report that Prof Furqan Qamar, former Vice Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamsala, has joined as the new Secretary General of the Association of Indian Universities for a period of 05 years with effect from June 26, 2014(Forenoon).

The matter was considered at the 327th Governing Council Meeting held on 30/06/2014 at AIU House, New Delhi and The Most Rev Prof Rajendra B Lal hoped that since the new Secretary General, AIU has taken over, the Association will be more responsive.

The Governing Council noted the above and it was resolved that:

Prof Furqan Qamar, former Vice Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala, holding substantive position of Professor at Jamia Millia Islamia, is appointed as Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities (AIU) initially for a period of five years with effect from June 26, 2014 (Forenoon). He shall draw fixed salary of Rs.75,000/- +Rs.5000/- Special pay and admissible allowances, as admissible to the Vice Chancellor of Central Universities from time to time. He shall be on deputation from Jamia Millia Islamia as per usual terms and conditions, as applicable.

Prof Furqan Qamar shall be on deputation from Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi on usual terms and conditions of deputation as applicable to GOI employees including contribution towards leave salary, pension, gratuity and General Provident Fund to the parent University. Further, he shall be paid House Rent allowance in lieu of rent free accommodation. Also, he shall be paid other allowances as admissible to AIU employees, including the 15% special allowance.

The clauses of the terms and conditions stand modified accordingly.]

Noted and approved.

- BS 11 To report that Prof Furqan Qamar will represent on the following bodies in ex-officio capacity as Secretary General, AIU:

- (1) Central Advisory Board of Education, MHRD
- (2) Central Board of Secondary Education, Governing Body
- (3) Indian Council of School Certificate Examinations, New Delhi
- (4) Sports Authority of India, New Delhi

Noted.

- BS 12 To report that the Association has signed MoU with the following:

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| (i) | UK Higher Education International Unit | Annexure 12.01 |
| (ii) | Wheebox (Integrated Learning Solution Private Limited) | Annexure 12.02 |

Noted and approved.

(B)To report that the President of India, in his capacity as Visitor of the Central Universities is pleased to Institute Visitor's Awards for the Best University, for Innovation and for Research

respectively, by inviting application online vide Government of India Notification No.723-Pres/2014 dated October 22, 2014. The Association of Indian Universities has been associated by the President of India's Office as a Partner for preliminary scrutiny of the online application received for Visitors' Award, as per the guidelines. Copy of communication received from OSD to President of India and Gazette Notification issued in this regard are placed as Annexure 8.01

Annexure 12.03

Noted with appreciation

(C) To report that the Association of Indian Universities(AIU) has requested the Hon'ble Governors and Chancellors of State Universities, Hon'ble Vice President of India and Hon'ble Chief Justice of India to consider instituting similar awards to encourage and incentivise research, innovation and best practices amongst the Universities.

Noted. Members appreciated the initiative.

- BS 13 To report that the 33rd Edition of the publication " Universities Handbook" has been printed and is being sent on complimentary basis to Vice Chancellors/Directors of member Universities/ Institutions, President of India, Vice President of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, UGC and other stake holders.

Noted.

- BS 14 To consider circulation of Agenda and Minutes of the Governing Council and sub-Committees through electronic medium.

[Note: The Agenda for the Governing Council and Sub-committee meetings is to be circulated in advance as per the provisions of AIU Rules.

With the advancement of communication technology, it would be safer, quicker to deliver agenda and Minutes of the Governing Council and Sub-committee using electronic Medium. It will effect, save time on transmitting papers and redundant papers used in preparation of spare copies. Agenda and Minutes, delivered quickly, thereby saving on postage and ensure delivery.

Further, the Minutes of various committees may also be placed on AIU website as pro-active measures to avoid RTI on this account.

The matter is placed before the Governing Council for according approval for sending agenda and minutes through e-mail meeting the statutory requirements of circulation of agenda within the stipulated period.

The matter was considered by the Governing Council in its 330th Meeting held on 3.12.2014 (Item No.330/11) and resolved as under;

Members appreciated the proposal and approved it. It was further resolved that the Minutes of these Committees may also be uploaded on the website after confirmation.]

Noted and approved.

- BS 15 To report that the Governing Council in its 325th Meeting held on 20.5.2014 (item No.326/06) has approved constitution of a "Presidents Council" for providing input to the Association on various issues relating to higher education.

[Note: It is proposed to constitute a "Presidents Council" comprising of the Past Presidents. The Council will work as advisor for providing input on issues relating to policy matters in higher education, or any other matter referred by the President, AIU or Secretary General, AIU or Governing Council or by the Association.]

The Governing Council considered the above proposal at its 325th Meeting held on 20/05/2014 and resolved as under:

The proposal was approved. It was decided that meeting of the Council be held atleast twice a year or as and when occasion arises.]

- (B) The Governing Council in its 326th Meeting held on 10-06-2014 under item No.326/15 considered amendment in the Constitution of the Presidents Council :

[Note: The Governing Council in its last meeting held on May 20, 2014 at AIU House, approved the following composition of the Presidents' Council.

Chairman

The Seniormost Past President working as Vice Chancellor for a period not exceeding two years

Vice Chairman

The Next Seniormost Past President working as Vice Chancellor

Member Secretary:

Secretary General, AIU

Members:

All Past Presidents working as Vice Chancellors or even not working as Vice Chancellors (Retired)

The Presidents Council shall function as an advisory body to guide and advise on issues related to improvement in the quality of higher education, reforms and policies and also issues referred to by the AIU President and Governing Council from time to time.

The Governing Council resolved as under:

In order to provide continuity and better coordination with the Governing Council it is proposed that the Immediate Past President be the Chairman of the Presidents Council for a period of one year.

It was then approved by the House, :

Chairman of the Presidents Council shall be : Immediate Past President of AIU for a period of one year.]

Noted and approved.

BS 16 Setting up of an Academy of Vice Chancellors

[Note: The Governing Council of AIU at its 325th Meeting held on May 20, 2014 at AIU House, New Delhi considered the matter regarding setting up of an Academy for Vice Chancellors wherein newly appointed Vice Chancellors and University Administration be given orientation/refresher/knowledge update programmes. The Governing Council Constituted a Committee of the following to look into the possibilities for acquiring and construction of Academy of Vice Chancellors and AIU Rest Rooms for Vice Chancellors/Directors under the Chairmanship of Prof D S Chauhan with Prof Deepak Behera, VC Berhampur University, Prof Paramjit Singh Jaswal, VC, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Patiala as members and the Secretary General, AIU as its Member Secretary. The work regarding acquiring of land, preferably in the vicinity is to be taken up on priority and urgent basis.]

The Governing Council at its 329th Meeting held on 23/09/2014 considered the matter under item No.329/20 and resolved as under:

"Members appreciated the idea and requested Prof. D S Chauhan as the Chairman of the Committee to pursue the case, whereas the Association will provide logistic and secretarial assistance in this regard. "]

Noted and approved.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

BS 17 **PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

1. Indira Gandhi Delhi Technological University for Women, New Delhi
2. Jain University, Bengaluru
3. NOIDA International University, NOIDA
4. Shridhar University, Pilani, Jhunjhunu
5. Yenepoya University, Mangalore
6. Monad University, Hapur
7. Bhagwant University, Ajmer
8. O P Jindal Global University, Sonipat

[Note The Governing Council at its 323rd Meeting held on February 12, 2014 at AIU House, New Delhi granted provisional membership to Universities listed 1-8 above.]

9. Maharishi Markandeshwar University, Kumarhatti-Solan, HP
10. Centurion University of Technology and Management, Orissa
11. Dr. K N Modi University, Tonk Rajasthan.
12. Shri Jagdishprasad Jhabarmal Tibrewala University, Jhunjhunu (Rajasthan).
13. Amity University, Madhya Pradesh, Gwalior.
14. Pacific University (Pacific Academy of Higher Education and Research University).
15. Junagadh Agricultural University, Junagadh.
16. Indira Gandhi University, Mirpur, Rewari.
17. Lala Lajpat Rai University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences (LUVAS), Hisar, Haryana
18. Himgiri Zee University, Dehradun
19. Shekhawati University, Sikar, Rajasthan

[Note: The Governing Council at its 324th Meeting held on April 24, 2014 at AIU House, New Delhi granted provisional membership to Universities listed at 9-19 above.

20. Sri Guru Granth Sahib World University, Fatehgarh
21. I.E.C University, Baddi, District Solan
22. The Christ University, Bangalore
23. KLEF University, Guntur.
24. Pratap University, Jaipur
25. Singhania University, Pachari Bari, District Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan.
26. University of Kota, Kota, Rajasthan.

[Note: The Governing Council at its 325th Meeting held on May 20, 2014 at AIU House, New Delhi granted provisional membership to Universities listed 20-26 above.]

27. Arunachal University of Studies, Arunachal Pradesh
28. Indus International University, Bathu, District Una, Himachal Pradesh

The Governing Council at its 326th Meeting held on 10.06.2014 approved grant of provisional membership to Oriental University, Indore w.e.f. 2014—15 instead of 2013-14.

[Note: The Governing Council at its 326th Meeting held on June 10, 2014 at AIU House, New Delhi granted provisional membership to Universities listed 26-27 above.

29. Apeejay Stya University, Sohna 122 103 Haryana
30. A P G (Alakh Prakash Goyal) Shimla University, Shimla 171009 Himachal Pradesh
31. Glocal University, Saharanpur 247 121 UP
32. Chandigarh University, Kharar, District Mohali, Punjab 140 301
33. Invertis University, Bareilly - 243 123 UP
34. Galgotia University Uttar Pradesh, Greater NOIDA, Gautam Budh Nagar 201203 UP
35. I F T M University, NH-24, Moradabad 244 102 UP
36. Career Point University, Tikker (Kharwarian), Bhoranj, Hamirpur 176 041

[Note: The Governing Council at its 328th Meeting held on July 22, 2014 at Dharmsinh Desai University, Nadiad granted provisional membership to Universities listed 29-36 above.]

37. Alliance University, Bangalore 562 106
38. Sri Devraj Urs Academy of Higher Education and Research, Kolar 563 101Karnataka
39. Career Point University, Kota 325 003
40. Sai Nath University, Ranchi 834 009
41. Indus University, Ahmedabad 382 115
42. Swami Vivekanand University, Sagar 470 003
43. Maharaja Agrasen University, Tehsil Baddi, District Solan 174 103

[Note: The Governing Council at its 329th Meeting held on September 23, 2014 at AIU House, New Delhi granted provisional membership to Universities listed 37-43 above.]

44. Raffles University, Neemrana, Rajasthan
45. Shoolini University, Solan
46. Nalanda University, Rajgir, Bihar
47. Chaudhary Bansi Lal University, Bhiwani
48. Chaudhary Ranbir Sing University, Jind

49. National Institute of Technology Goa, Goa
50. Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology, Surat
51. Academy of Scientific and Innovative Research, Chennai
52. Gujarat Forensic Sciences University, Gandhinagar
53. MVN University, Palwal, Haryana
54. Desh Bhagat University, Mandi Gobindgarh, Punjab

[Note: The Governing Council at its 330th Meeting held on December 3, 2014 at AIU House, New Delhi granted provisional membership to Universities listed 44-54 above.]

55. REVA University, Bangalore 560 064
55. Jaypee University of Engineering and Technology, Guna
56. Baddi University of Emerging Sciences and Technology, Baddi
57. Kalinga University, Naya Raipur 492 101
58. Mashatma Jyoti Rao Phoole University, Jaipur
59. Shri Venkateshwara University, Gajraula
60. Calrox Teacher's University, Ahmedabad
61. J K Lakshmipat University, Jaipur
62. School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal 462 030
63. Guru Kashi University, Bhatinda
64. ITM University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh 493661

Associate Membership

65. Asian University for Women, Chittagong 4000 Bangladesh
66. De Montfort University, Leicester LE1 1BH, United Kingdom

[Note: The Governing Council at its 331st Meeting held on February 27, 2015 at AIU House, resolved to grant provisional membership to Universities mentioned at S.No.55 to 64 and Associate Membership to Universities mentioned at S.No.65 and 66.]

Noted and approved.

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP

- BS 18 To consider granting regular membership of the Association of Indian Universities to member Universities.

[Note: The Governing Council in its 317th Meeting while considering extension of provisional membership of the members universities resolved as under:

Resolved to extend the provisional membership of Universities listed in Annexure 8.01 and 8.02, except where the visit has been completed, further for the period upto 31.3.2016.

Governing Council authorized the President, AIU to constitute Visiting Committees for inspection of Universities/Institutes. In case visit is not completed within 3 months, the President consider changing composition of the Visiting Committee.

AIU Rules regarding grant of regular membership to University level Institutions is reproduced below:

- 1.(i) *Universities established and funded by the State Government and Central Government and having registered under section 2(f) of UGC Act be given provisional membership for three*

years extendable by two years, within which the University must fulfil the required eligibility to obtain permanent membership after due inspection from AIU, otherwise its membership will stand cancelled."

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The university may obtain regular membership by fulfilling eligibility within 3 years, extendable by two years after getting provisional membership.

There is a provision in AIU Rule as given below:

"g. Where the University/Institute has been in existence for not less than 10 years and has good standing for academic and research work, the President, AIU, may recommend to the Governing Council to waive the conditions of sending the visiting committee to such university/institute. Further, such University/ Institute may be granted regular membership by the Association on the basis of the recommendations of the Governing Council."

The Governing Council resolved as under:

"It was resolved that in order to clear backlog all such universities which have been provisional members for at least 10 years and are recognized u/s 12(b) or accredited by NAAC and have no outstanding dues be granted regular membership of the Association."]

Noted and approved.

ADOPTION OF GENERAL FINANCIAL RULES

BS 19 To consider adoption of General Financial Rules AIU.

[Note The Association of Indian Universities has its own bye-laws for making purchases from open market. While following these bye-laws, difficulties are being faced whereby the process of procuring items is struck up.

In order to streamline purchase procedure, it is proposed that provisions of GFR be scrupulously followed. Adoption of GFR in the Association will also remove the ambiguity of interpretation of AIU Rules.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development is also insisting on the Association on this account. With adoption, General Financial Rules will govern all financial matters in AIU replacing corresponding AIU Bye-laws on the subject. The Governing resolved as under:

The matter was placed before the Governing Council and the Governing Council at its 330th Meeting held on 3/12/2014 resolved as under:

"The Governing Council considered the proposal and resolved to approve that in the purchases and procurements, the GFR be adopted."]

Approved.

BS 20 To consider the Receipt and Payment Account, Income and Expenditure Account, Balance Sheet, Audit Report and Points for Attention for the Management in respect of AIU for the year 2013-14

received from M/s. Sanjay Satpal & Associates, Chartered Accountants, New Delhi, AIU Auditors.

The Accounts of the Association for the Financial Year 2013-14 were considered by the Finance Committee in its meeting dated 23.9.2014 and after due deliberations the same were recommended for approval along with a request to consider following resolution for kind approval of the Governing Council:

"Resolved that an amount not exceeding Rs.1,61,44,187/- (Rupees One Crore Sixty One Lacs Forty Four Thousand One Hundred Eighty Seven only) which is available out of the surplus for the Financial Year 2013-14 (AY 2014-15) be utilized for charitable objects within the period of next five years and the same amount be kept in the manner laid down in Section 11(2)(b) of the Income Tax act, 1961".

The GC at its 329th meeting held on 23.9.2014 at AIU House under item No.329/17 approved the minutes of the Finance Committee.

[Appendix-20.1]

Approved.

- BS 21 To consider the Revenue Account, Balance Sheet along-with audit report for the year 2013-14 in respect of AIU Provident Fund Trust received from M/s. Sanjay Satpal & Associates, Chartered Accountants, New Delhi.

The Finance Committee in its meeting held on 23.9.2014 considered the Revenue Account, Balance Sheet alongwith the Audit Report of the Statutory Auditors and recommends it to the Governing Council for its approval.

The GC at its 329th meeting held on 23.9.2014 at AIU House under item No.329/17 approved the minutes of the Finance Committee.

[Appendix-21.1]

Approved.

- BS 22 To consider the Revised Estimates for the year 2014-15 and the Budget Estimates for the year 2015-16 in respect of the following Budgets along-with relevant schedules:

- AIU Main Budget
- Non Plan Budget
- Plan Budget
- Youth Affairs Budget
- Sports Budget

- [Note: A schedule showing the designation, pay bands, total expenditure on salaries alongwith notes on the Budgets in respect of RE 2014-15 & BE 2015-16, is enclosed. The provision of DA, Bonus, Children Education Allowance, vacant positions etc. is made in the Budgets.

The Finance Committee in its meeting held on 23.9.2014 agreed to the RE 2014-15 & BE 2015-16 and recommends it to the Governing Council for its approval subject to the following:

- a) *Concerned Divisional Heads should submit their proposal(s) for the new activities to concerned Ministry for release of grant on priority basis.*
- b) *In addition to grant from the concerned Ministries, the maximum support that can be provided by the AIU should not exceed Rs.20 lakhs in case of Research; Rs.50 lakhs in case of Sports towards establishment expenses, membership fees to International/National Sports Federations and Sports related activities and Rs.30 lakhs in case of Youth Affairs towards establishment expenses and Youth Affairs related activities.*
- c) *Thus the deficit shown in the AIU Budget shall get reduced from Rs.700.78 lakhs to Rs.120.30 lakhs.*

The GC at its 329th meeting held on 23.9.2014 at AIU House under item No.329/17 approved the minutes of the Finance Committee.]

[Appendix-22.01]

Approved.

- BS 23 To consider the appointment of AIU Auditors for the Financial Year 2014-15 in respect of AIU and AIU PF Trust.

[Note: The Accounts of AIU and AIU Provident Fund Trust for the Financial Year 2013-14 were audited by M/s Sanjay Satpal & Associates, Chartered Accountants, New Delhi on a remuneration of Rs.20000/- & Rs.7500/- respectively. The remuneration for auditing the accounts of AIU and AIU Provident Fund Trust was fixed in the year 2008-09. There is no revision in the audit fee for the last six years. The services of the Statutory Auditors (M/s.Sanjay Satpal & Associates) have been satisfactory.

A Gazette notification dated 30.1.0.2003 received from EPFO stating that "The same auditors should not be appointed for two consecutive years and not more than two years in a block of six years in respect of accounts of Employees Provident Fund Trust" is placed below for kind consideration of the members.

The Auditors for A.I.U. Provident Fund Trust may accordingly be finalized].

The Finance Committee in its meeting held on 23.9.2014 recommended to the Governing Council that M/s Sanjay Satpal & Associates and M/s P S Bajaj & Co., Chartered Accountants be appointed as Statutory Auditors for the AIU & AIU Provident Fund Trust for the FY 2014-15 on the remuneration of Rs.20000/- & Rs. 7500/- respectively. The fees for other works such as procurement of FCRA Return, UCs, Income Tax Returns, Exemption Forms and consultation etc. shall be on mutual agreed charges/terms.

The GC at its 329th meeting held on 23.9.2014 at AIU House under item No.329/17 approved the minutes of the Finance Committee]

Approved.

- BS 24 To consider revision in the existing rate of Annual Subscription with a provision of Service Tax as applicable for the Financial Year 2015-16.

[Note: The bills for Annual Subscription from Member Universities are raised @ Rs. 50000/- with effect from financial year 2009-10 as per the resolution (Item No. BS/21) passed in the 83rd Annual General Body (Business Session). This was followed by a resolution passed in the 84th Annual

Meeting (item No. BS/08) in respect of charging of annual membership fee of Rs. 1.50 lacs from private and self financed universities.

The income of the Association from following services was exempt by virtue of Notification No.25/2012-ST dated June 20,2012 of Central Government under section 93(1) of Finance Act, 1994 under entry 9 i.e. "Auxiliary Educational service":

- I) Annual Subscription/Membership Fee
- II) Membership Processing Fee (One time);
- III) Fee for giving equivalence for PGDM Programme equivalent to MBA
- IV) Membership Fee received in advance

On July 10, 2014, the Hon'ble Finance Minister presented the Finance Bill, 2014 and in this bill a number of changes were brought under entry 9 of Notification No. 25. Therefore, an expert opinion was sought from M/s Gaurav K Arora & Co., Service Tax Consultant on the income heads shown above in the light of amendments made in the Union Budget 2014-15. The Service Tax Consultant submitted his opinion by stating that:

1. The concept of exemption based on the definition of "Auxiliary Education Services has been deleted.
2. Four services have been introduced and apart from these four services all other services provided to education institutions are taxable. These four services are:
 - a) Transportation of students, faculty and staff of educational institution;
 - b) Catering services including mid day meal scheme sponsored by government.
 - c) Security or cleaning or housekeeping services in such educational institutions;
 - d) Services relating to admission to such institution or conduct of examination by such institution.

Services provided by the Association to its member universities is not covered under the four services specified above, therefore, with effect from July 11, 2014 service tax has been levied on services cited at I) to IV) above.

As brought to the notice of Governing Council earlier, the following services provided by the Association already falls under Service Tax ambit:

- i) Income on Fee Equivalence Enquiry w.e.f. 1.7.2012;
- ii) Income for issuing Equivalence Certificate w.e.f. 1.4.2014 where certificates are issued directly to the students.

The Finance Committee in its meeting held on 23.9.2014 considered the opinion of the Service Tax Consultant and resolved to comply the Statutory Provisions with regard to Service Tax as per the amendments made in the Finance Bill 2014. The Secretary General was authorized to approve the requisite billing process for timely deposit of service tax with the Government.

Resolved further that a proposal be placed before the Annual General Meeting that Service Tax as applicable shall be chargeable from the university concerned with effect from the financial year 2015-16.

The GC at its 329th meeting held on 23.9.2014 at AIU House under item No.329/17 approved the minutes of the Finance Committee

Accordingly, the revised Subscription rate as per the recommendations of the FC & GC shall be Rs. 56180/- (Rs. 50000/- plus service tax of Rs. 6180/-) in place of existing rate of Annual Subscription of Rs. 50000/- and Rs.168540/- (Rs. 150000/- plus service tax of Rs. 18540/-) in place of existing rate of Annual Subscription of Rs. 150000/- chargeable from the university concerned with effect from the financial year 2015-16.

The Governing Council in its 330th meeting (Item No. 330/16) held on 3.12.2014 at AIU House, New Delhi reconsidered the proposal and resolved that the **Subscription/Fee** being charged by AIU for various new services following under the ambit of Service Tax as well as fee for Equivalence Certificate from institutions be treated as fee **inclusive of Service Tax.**]

Resolved that the Governing Council may constitute a Committee to examine the matter in details and its recommendations shall be considered in the next Annual General Meeting.

It was further approved that till further decision the membership fees chargeable by AIU shall be inclusive of Service Tax.

ITEMS TO REPORT

BS 25 To report Notice of Demand of Tax of Rs.2,72,16,450/- received from DDIT (Exemption) for the AY 2011-12.

[Note: During the course of assessment proceedings for the AY 2011-12, the Assessing Officer issued number of notices u/s 143(2) of IT Act, 1961. All the notices were complied with by submitting the requisite documents, details and explanations called for. The books of accounts were also produced before the Assessing Officer through our Statutory Auditors.

This was followed by a Notice of Demand of Tax for Rs.2,72,16,450/- for the AY 2011-12 under section 156 of Income Tax Act, 1961 from the DDIT(Exemption) alongwith Assessment Order u/s 143(3) dated 24.3.14 by stating:

"Your application for stay has been considered and in view of the facts of the same and circumstances stated by you, the petition for stay is rejected. You are directed to deposit at least 50% of the outstanding demand within 7(seven) days of receipt of this letter and balance 50% shall remain stayed till the disposal of appeal before the CIT (Appeal) or six months whichever is earlier subject to fulfillment of first condition that 50% of demand is deposited within seven days of receipt of this letter. In case you fail to deposit such demand, coercive measures including attachment of your bank accounts shall be resorted to."

An appeal under Form No. 35 was filed by the Association on 24.4.2014 before the Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeal)-XXI against the Assessment Order issued by the Assessing Officer.

The matter was personally discussed with DDIT(E) by the Statutory Auditors and Deputy Secretary (F) to keep the demand under abeyance till the appeal with the Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeal)-XXI of the Association is heard for the AY 2010-11 for which association had already deposited Rs.25,72,460/- (50% of tax demand).

On receipt of notice for the appeal filed by AIU for AY 2010-11, a request was submitted again vide letter No. AC/AY 2011-12 dated 7.8.2014 before the DDIT(E) to keep the tax demand in abeyance.

The Assessing Officer considered our request and issued revised order No.DDIT(E)/Inv.Cir/01/2014-15/275 dated 8.8.2014 with a direction to deposit a sum of Rs.1,36,08,225/- (50% of demand for AY 2011-12) in 8 equal installments starting from August, 2014 till March, 2015. As per the revised order of DDIT (Exemption), a sum of Rs. 17,01,030/- (1/8th of 50% demand) was deposited with the Income Tax Department on 25.8.2014 as advance against the demand raised by the Assessing Officer.

It is pertinent to mention here that the Deputy Director of Income Tax (E) has countered our replies in the earlier order also by stating following provisions:

- By insertion of the new proviso in Section 2(15) certain type of activities (advancement of objects of general public utility) considered otherwise charitable were taken out of the definition of charitable activity if they were found to be engaged in trade and commerce.
- *As already stated that the activities of the applicant fall under the last limb, i.e. advancement of any other object of general public utility and since these activities involve providing services for a fee are clearly hit by the proviso to section 2(15) of the Income tax Act.*
- The inclusive definition of charitable purposes states among other things, relief of the poor, education, and medical relief etc. as in the nature of charitable purpose. The concept of charitable purpose may be manifested in different forms like relief of poor, education, medical relief etc. but a charitable purpose should always take care of the welfare and interest of the public and especially the poor section of the public. Running a society only for the purpose of co-ordination between the universities **does not show any work of charity being undertaken by the society.**

The case is being heard by CIT (Appeal) for the Assessment Year 2010-11 and the 3rd hearing was on 25.9.2014].

The Finance Committee approved the expenditure and further resolved that the Secretary General of the Association may if need arises, appoint an eminent Advocate/Financial/Legal Expert besides approaching the CIT (Appeal) through Statutory Auditors of the Association.

The GC at its 329th meeting held on 23.9.2014 at AIU House under item No.329/17 approved the minutes of the Finance Committee dated 23.9.2014.]

Approved.

- BS 26 To consider application/utilization of accumulated funds of AIU wholly and exclusively to the objects of AIU.

[Note: As per Section 11(1) of the Income Tax Act, 1961, a charitable trust or institution will have to apply at least 85% of the income to charitable purposes. Where 85% of the income is not applied to charitable or religious purposes, the charitable trust may accumulate or set apart either the whole or part of its income for future application for such purposes in India. Such income so accumulated or set apart will not be included in the total income of the trust or institution in the year of receipt of income, provided such trust or institution has specified by means of a notice to

the Assessing Officer, in Form No. 10, the purpose and period (which in no case exceed 5 years) for which the income is accumulated or set apart.

The income of the Association for the following years has been accumulated/set apart for utilization for the charitable objects for which the Association is established in order to avail the benefits of Section 11 & 12 of the Income Tax Act, 1961:

Financial Year	Assessment Year	Accumulated Income (Rs.)	Remarks
2009-10	2010-11	Nil	While passing the Assessment Order on the Income Tax Return filed by AIU, the Assessing Officer has disallowed the benefit available to AIU under Section 11 & 12 of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and has calculated the taxable income of Rs.1,19,18,600/-. Tax liability of Rs. 51,44,921/- is also imposed on this income. As submitted in the GC dated 16.7.2013, the Association filed an appeal before CIT (Appel) in this regard.
2010-11	2011-12	Rs. 4,34,76,162/-	A declaration under Form No. 10 was submitted alongwith the Income Tax Return of AIU submitted with the Income Tax Department for the Assessment Year 2011-12 that the available surplus for the Financial Year 2010-11 has been accumulated or set apart till the year ending 31.3.2016 for carrying out the objectives of the Charitable Trust.
2011-12	2012-13	NIL	
2012-13	2013-14	NIL	
2013-14	2014-15	Rs. 1.61 crore	The Association shall exercise an option to accumulate this surplus for future application for charitable purposes by submitting Form No. 10 along with the Income Tax Return to be filed with the Income Tax Department on or before 30.9.2014.

The accumulated surplus set apart is required to be incurred wholly and exclusively to the objects of AIU for availing the benefits of Section 11 & 12 of the Income Tax Act, 1961. The accumulated funds have been invested as per the modes specified in Income Tax Act, 1961.

As submitted in the last Finance Committee Meeting, the Assessing Officer issued number of notices u/s 143(2) of IT Act, 1961 during the course of assessment proceedings for the AYs 2010-11 & 2011-12. All the notices were complied with by submitting the requisite documents, details and explanations called for. The books of accounts were also produced before the Assessing Officer through our Statutory Auditors.

The submissions filed by the Association were not accepted by the Assessing Officer by stating:

"the activities do not fall under any of the limbs of definition of "charitable purpose" for availing the benefits of section 11 & 12 of the IT Act, 1961. The inclusive definition of charitable purpose states among other things, relief of the poor, education and medical relief etc. as in the nature of charitable purpose. The concept of charitable purpose may be manifested in different forms like relief of the poor, education and medical relief etc. but a charitable purpose should always take care of the welfare and interest of the public and especially the poor section of the public. Running a society only for the purpose of co-ordination between the universities does not show any work of charity being undertaken by the society.

By insertion of the new proviso in section 2(15) certain type of activities (advancement of objects of the general public utility) considered otherwise charitable were taken out of the definition of charitable activity.

After taking necessary approval from FC dated 21.4.2013 (Item No. 5) and GC dated 4.5.2013, an appeal in Form 35 was filed with the Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeals) within 30 days of receipt of notice through our Statutory Auditors.

Our appeal for the Assessment Year 2010-11 has come up for examination in August, 2014 before CIT (Appeal). **The Association has been pleading before the CIT (Appeal) that the activities of the Association fall within the ambit of Clause (b) of Section 2(15) of IT Act, 1961 i.e. within the ambit of "education" and not under advancement of objects of the general public utility. Therefore, the income of the Association may be treated as exempt under Section 11 & 12 of the Income Tax Act, 1961.**

In order to incur expenditure from the accumulated surplus, the budgetary provision was made on year to year basis from AY 2011-12 onwards under the expense head 'Infrastructure Development'. The details of provision made viz-a viz expenditure incurred during the last 3 year is given below for kind consideration please:

Financial Year	Budget Provision under the expense head – Infrastructure Development	Expenditure
2010-11	Rs.50.00 lacs	NIL
2011-12	Rs. 20.00 lacs	NIL
2012-13	Rs.25.00 lacs	Rs.21.12 lacs
2013-14	Rs.25.00 lacs	Rs.05.11 lacs

The enhanced budgetary provisions were also made under the expense heads - Zonal & National Meetings, Software Development/Maintenance, South Asian Youth Festival, and International Seminar/Workshop etc. The accumulated surplus is to be utilized at the earliest.

The Finance Committee considered the matter and resolved that necessary steps be taken on priority basis to utilize the surplus funds for the charitable objects of the Association. To expedite the process, the Finance Committee recommended to the Governing Council that the Secretary General be authorized to take necessary steps to expedite utilization.

The Governing Council at its 329th meeting held on 23.9.2014 at AIU House under Item No.329/17 approved the minutes of the Finance Committee dated. 23.9.2014].

Approved.

BS 27 To report a resolution of the Finance Committee dated 23.9.2014 with regard to accumulate or set apart the surplus funds of AIU to be utilized for charitable objects as required in the Income Tax Act, 1961 for the financial year 2013-14 (AY 2014-15)

[Note: The Income Tax Return of the AIU for the FY 2013-14 (AY 2014-15) was to be submitted by the Statutory Auditors with the Income Tax Department by 30.09.2014 as per the accounts approved by the Finance Committee/Governing Council.

As per Section 11(1) of the Income Tax Act, 1961, a charitable trust or institution will have to apply at least 85% of the income to charitable purposes. Where 85% of the income is not applied to charitable or religious purposes, the charitable trust may accumulate or set apart either the whole or part of its income for future application for such purposes in India. Such income so accumulated or set apart will not be included in the total income of the trust or institution in the year of receipt of income, provided such trust or institution has specified by means of a notice to the Assessing Officer, in Form No. 10, the purpose and period (which in no case exceed 5 years) for which the income is accumulated or set apart.

As per the Audited Accounts of the Association for the Financial Year 2013-14 there was a surplus of Rs.1,61,44,187/- with AIU.

As per Income Tax provision, the accumulated surplus is required to be incurred wholly and exclusively to the objects of AIU for availing the benefits of Section 11 & 12 of the Income Tax Act, 1961. Therefore, the following resolution was approved by the Governing Council at its 329th meeting held on 23.9.2014 at AIU House under item No.329/32.

"Resolved that an amount not exceeding Rs.1,61,44,187/- (Rupees One Crore Sixty One Lacs Forty Four Thousand One Hundred Eighty Seven only) which is available out of the surplus for the Financial Year 2013-14 (AY 2014-15) be utilized for charitable objects within the period of next five years and the same amount be kept in the manner laid down in Section 11(2)(b) of the Income Tax act, 1961".

Approved.

BS 28 To receive the Annual Report of the Secretary General, AIU for the year 2014-15

Annexure 28.01

Accepted. The House appreciated the initiative taken by the Secretary General, AIU.

HOSTING OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

BS 29 To consider hosting the next (90th) Annual Meeting of the Association in 2016 in West Zone

[Note: In order of rotation, it is the turn of the West Zone to host the next (90th) Annual meeting of the Association in 2016.]

The following Universities have agreed to host the Annual Meeting:

1. Amity University Rajasthan, Jaipur
2. Career Point University, Kota
3. Central Institute of Fisheries Education, Mumbai

4. Deccan College Post Graduate & Research Institute, Pune
5. Dr K N Modi University, Tonk, Rajasthan
6. Dr. D Y Patil University, Pune
7. Janardanrainagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, Udaipur
8. Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati Vishwavidyalya, Ajmer
9. Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur
10. National Law University, Jodhpur
11. North Maharashtra University, Jalgaon
12. Pacific Academy of Higher Education and Research, Udaipur (Rajasthan)
13. Rajasthan Technical University, Kota
14. Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar
15. Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune
16. Symbiosis International University, Pune

Resolved to accept the recommendations of the 333rd Governing Council Meeting held on May 22, 2015 to organize the 90th Annual Meeting of the Association at one of the following universities out of above 16, after seeking the approval from Executive Committee/Board of Governors/Management of the University.

- 1. Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar***
- 2. National Law University, Jodhpur***
- 3. Savitribhai Phule Pune University, Pune***

The above Universities be requested to send the approval of the EC/BOM/BNOG within two months time.

PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE YEAR 2015-16.

BS 30 To declare President and Vice President of the Association for the year 2015-16.

AIU Rule provides as follow:

President (Rule 21)

The senior most member of the Association shall be its President. He shall hold office for a period of one year corresponding to the **academic (1st July to 30th June of next year)** year. Should he resign or retire at any time, the Vice-President shall function as the President for the remainder of the term.

Vice President (Rule 22)

The senior most member (in terms of rotation) after the President would be designated as the Vice-President. He would be so designated for a period of one year unless he/she meanwhile becomes the President. In the absence of the President he/she would exercise all the powers of the President. He shall be the member of all Committees of the Governing Council/Association.

Resolved to elect Prof Ranbir Singh, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Delhi, New Delhi as President, AIU and designate Prof D S Chauhan, Vice Chancellor, G L A University, Mathura as Vice President AIU for the year 2015-16.

Members welcomed the incoming President, AIU Prof Ranbir Singh and Incoming Vice President Prof D S Chauhan.

- BS 31 To consider the Minutes of the Committee constituted to look into the case of Prof Y C Simhadari, Vice Chancellor, Patna University, Patna for his nomination as President, of the Association.

Annexure 31.01

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 88th Annual Meeting held on February 25, 2014 at KIIT University, Bhubaneswar while considering item No.BS 12 inter-alia resolved to constitute a Committee comprising of Prof R Sethuraman, Prof. A D N Bajpai and Secretary General AIU as members to look into the matter as per Rules of AIU.

A Meeting of the Committee was held on March 30, 2015 at AIU House. The Minutes of the meeting are placed as Annexure 31.01]

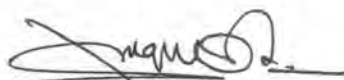
Resolved to accept the recommendations of the Committee.

Any other item with the permission of the Chair

Dr. H M Desai, thanked all members, members of the Governing Council, Vice President, Immediate Past President, and the Secretary General for extending full cooperation for successfully discharging his duties during his tenure as President of the Association.

The House placed on record the excellent services rendered by Dr H M Desai as President, AIU and Prof Ranbir Singh as , Vice President, AIU during the year 2014-15.

Prof Ranbir Singh thanked the House and hoped continue to get cooperation from all member Vice Chancellors for making the Association visible on horizon of higher education and take it to new heights with the active and continued cooperation of all stake holders.



[Prof Furqan Qamar]
Secretary General

[Dr H M Desai]
President