

# Association of Indian Universities

Annexure 1.01  
GC dt. 30.06.2016

Minutes of the 338<sup>th</sup> Governing Council Meeting, held on February 4, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Hotel H, Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar 388 120 District Anand, Gujarat

## Present:

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| 1. Prof (Dr) Ranbir Singh, President, AIU | In Chair         |
| 2. Prof D S Chauhan, Vice President, AIU  | Member           |
| 3. Prof (Dr) R C Sobti                    | Member           |
| 4. Prof (Dr) A Lakshminath                | Member           |
| 5. Prof R Venkata Rao                     | Member           |
| 6. Prof Paramjit S Jaswal                 | Member           |
| 7. Prof Harish Padh,                      | Special Invitee  |
| 8. Prof Furqan Qamar                      | Member Secretary |

The following members were granted leave of absence as they could not attend the meeting due to their pre-occupation.

1. Dr H M Desai
2. Prof S W Akhtar,
3. Prof Mushahid Husain,
4. Prof S S Kadam,
5. Prof C K Kokate,
6. Prof G Bhaskaran,
7. Dr J Mahender Reddy,
8. Prof Shiv Kumar Pandey,
9. Dr Raviprakash G Dani,
10. Dr K M Bujarbaruah and
11. Prof Matthew Prasad
12. Dr P Venkat Rangan,
13. Prof I K Bhat

At the outset Prof (Dr) Ranbir Singh, President, AIU welcomed the members attending the Governing Council Meeting. He thanked Prof. Harish Padh for agreeing to host the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association at the Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar and making excellent arrangement for boarding, lodging and transport arrangements for delegates attending the meeting.

Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for discussion.

## CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

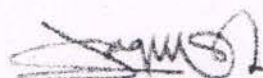
- 338/01 To confirm the Minutes of the 337<sup>nd</sup> Governing Council Meeting held on December 18, 2015 at National Law University, Delhi, Dwarka, New Delhi.

Confirmed.

## ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES

- 338/02 To report action taken on the Minutes of the 337<sup>nd</sup> Governing Council Meeting held on December 18, 2015 at National Law University, Delhi, Dwarka, New Delhi.

Noted.





## ITEMS TO REPORT

- 338/03 To report that Prof Deepak Kumar Behera, Vice Chancellor, Berhampur University, Berhampur has completed his 2-year term on the Governing Council on 31.12.2015. He was co-opted by the Governing Council for the year 2014-15 at its 321<sup>st</sup> Meeting held on 21.01.2014 at AIU House, New Delhi.

*Noted.*

## ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 338/04 To consider cooption of a member on behalf of the Governing Council for a period of two years (1.1.2016 to 31.12.2017]

[Note: Prof. Deepak Kumar Behera, Vice Chancellor, Berhampur University, Berhampur has completed his 2-year term on the Governing Council on 31.12.2015. He was co-opted by the Governing Council at its 321<sup>st</sup> Meeting held on 21.01.2014 for a period of 2 year (1.1.2014 to 31.12.2015. A new member in his place is to be co-opted.

AIU Rule in this regard is reproduced below:

- C. Co-opted Members
- The President will co-opt two members for the duration of his tenure of office.
  - The Governing Council will co-opt two members for a period of two years.

### Explanation

- As in the case of the Rajya Sabha, Co-options shall be so arranged that one member shall retire each year and, furthermore, if any casual vacancy occurs it shall be filled for the residual period only.
- While co-opting persons on the Governing Council an attempt will be made to give representation to interests and points of view which are not otherwise represented on the Governing Council.

It is, therefore, requested a member may be co-opted on the Governing Council for a period of two year (1.1.2016 to 31.12.2017).

*The Governing Council unanimously decided to co-opt Prof Deepak K Behera on the Governing Council for a period of 2 years w.e.f. 1.1.2016 to 31.12.2017.*

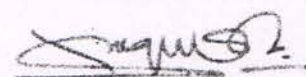
- 338/05 To consider grant of provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to the following Universities:

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 84<sup>th</sup> 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) **Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Thiruvananthapuram.** The Institute has been established through an Act of Parliament through amendment of The National Institute of Technology (Amendment) Act, 2012 (No.28 of 2012) incorporating the names of the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research situated at Kolka, Pune,





Mohali, Bhopal and Thiruvanthapuram under The Second Schedule). The Institute is eligible to be enrolled as provisional Member of the Association of Indian Universities.

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.

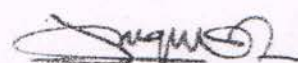
- (b) **A K S University, Sherjganj, Satna, Madhya Pradesh** is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Madhya Pradesh (Madhya Pradesh Niji Vishwavidyalaya (Sthapana and Sanchalan) Tiritiya Sanshodhan Adhiniyam, 2011) (No.44 of 2011) incorporating the name of the AKS University, Satna in the Schedule of universities, notified on 31.12.2011. The University has completed 2-year of existence on 30.12.2013. 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 16-1/2015(CPP-/PU) dated December 2, 2015. The University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU and is eligible to grant provisional membership from 2.12.2015 (the date of issue of UGC letter).

*Resolved to grant provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to above mentioned Universities, with effect from the year 2016-17 or from the date of fulfillment of criteria laid down by the General Body of the Association at its 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held on 14.11.2009 in this regard, whichever is later.*

**338/06 To consider the Report of Justice Lodha Committee and its implication on AIU.**

[Note: The following Note has been submitted by the Joint Secretary (Sports) on the implications on the report of Justice Lodha Committee, Constituted by the hon'ble Supreme Court of India Report-2015 on the AIU.

1. **Preamble:** - BCCI has its jurisdiction for promotion of the game of Cricket in India at all levels through a pyramidal approach. There is no denying the fact that game of cricket has progressed over the last a few decades in the country. On the other hand, corruption in terms of match-fixing illegal betting and financial irregularities also grown out of proportion. Accordingly, the Supreme Court of India constituted a three-member Committee headed by Justice R.M. Lodha for Chief Justice of India for suggesting reforms for survival and success of the game of cricket in the country.
2. **Membership:** At present, there are 30 full members with 20 states and one Union Territory are included. 10 states and six Union Territories remain excluded. In addition, there are associate and affiliate members. The AIU became an affiliated member of the BCCI in 1941 for the purpose of promoting the game of cricket in universities and colleges in India. The Vizzy Trophy was introduced in 1966-67 for participation of university students only.
3. **Present Recommendations:** The Lodha Committee Report-2015 recommended that Services, Railways and the AIU be accorded the status of "Associate Members" as they do not represent any particular state in India, without voting rights in the election of office bearers of the BCCI.
4. **RTI Act - 2005:** The BCCI discharges public functions and people of the country have the right to know the details of BCCI's functions and finances. The committee recommended that BCCI needs to be brought under RTI Act with a view to maintain absolute transparency in the functioning and financial transaction while performing the duty of promoting the game of cricket in the country.
5. **Grant for Vizzy Trophy:** Previously, the BCCI used to provide substantial grant to the AIU for the conduct of Vizzy Trophy Cricket (M) tournament for university players only, every year. The same grant has already been diverted to State Cricket Associations for organization of the Vizzy Trophy Cricket (M) tournament. Now, there is no financial support to the AIU for promotion of the game of cricket in the university sector.





## PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR THE YEAR 2015-16.

**338/08** To elect President and Vice President of the Association for the next academic year 2016-17.

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 (1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> 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 23)

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 recommend to the General Body that Prof. D S Chauhan, Vice Chancellor, G L A University, Mathura be elected as President, AIU and in view of the amendments in AIU Rules and Regulations, Prof C K Kokate, Vice Chancellor, K L E University, Belgaum be designated as Vice President of the Association for the year 2016-17.*

**338/09** To consider the proposal to disqualify a member from continuing as a member of the Governing Council or any other statutory Bodies of the AIU or from being an Officer bearer.

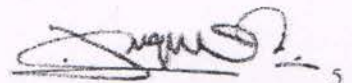
Note: Vice Chancellors/Directors of member Universities/Institutions are nominated on various statutory bodies of AIU (Governing Council, Finance Committee, Research Committee, Equivalence Committee, Cultural Committee, Sports Committee) and other bodies constituted by the Governing Council and/or by the Association on the basis of their individual or Institutional seniority.

Their active participation in these bodies on which they have been nominated as Member is necessary for effective functioning of the AIU.

It is, therefore, proposed that members nominated on Governing Council or other statutory bodies either on account of their individual seniority or on account of Institutional Seniority, but failed to attend three meeting consecutively be considered disqualified to continue as member of the said Committee and also from holding any Office in the AIU. This is also to propose to amend the AIU Rules and Regulations in this regard with immediate effect. ]

1) The Governing Council considered the proposal and resolved to reword the proposal to read as under:

*To consider the proposal that a member of the Governing Council and other Statutory Committee(s) of the AIU who fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Governing Council or the Statutory Committee as the case may be shall cease to be continue as member of said Committee and also become not eligible for appointment as an Office bearer of the AIU.*





6. **Vested interests:** The affiliated members including the AIU had been used and exploited for the purpose of voting to elect and select people with political background and social influence for the plum posts in the functioning of the BCCI for the fulfilment of their vested interests only. As a result, the game of cricket touched the lowest ebb.
7. **Age Term of Office Bearers:** Ever since, the AIU was given the membership of the BCCI as an affiliated member, no AIU representative was elected or nominated as office bearers of the BCCI, so far, whereas our President or Secretary General fall in the prescribed age of 70 years and term of 6 years, whichever is earlier. The representatives of the AIU were equally capable and eligible for election/selection of any suitable post(s). But the BCCI never considered them for such posts.
8. **All States not represented:** At present, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh and Mizoram etc. states are represented on the BCCI. As a result, Lodha Committee recommended that "One State One Association" with voting Right. The other members will be treated as "Associate Members" of the BCCI without voting rights. They will continue to get/receive other benefits from the BCCI.
9. **Implications on the AIU:** At present, the AIU is an affiliated unit of the BCCI with voting right in the election of the office bearers. The AIU was not granted approval/permission to participate Indian Universities Cricket (M) team in the prestigious Ranji Trophy tournament from the very beginning, ever since its membership of the BCCI. The AIU is authorized to projects university teams, selected from Inter University Cricket (M) Zonal tournaments sponsored by the BCCI every year.
10. **Immediate Effect:** There may not be any immediate effect on the functional autonomy and financial accountability of the AIU, if the recommendations of the Justice Lodha Committee are accepted by the hon'ble Supreme Court of India to be implemented by the BCCI. The AIU will continue to play an effective role in the process of promoting the game of cricket in university sector and throwing-up desired amount of talent in the main national stream for having laurels for the nation.

*The Governing Council deliberated on the issue in details and felt that the AIU has been an Affiliate Member of the BCCI since 1941 and the recommendations to reduce its status to an Associate Member would do great injustice to the students of this country. It is true that the AIU does not represent any state but it represents the nation. This in view, the Governing Council resolved that a Committee comprising of (1) Prof Paramjit S Jaswal, Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi National Law University, Punjab, Patiala and (2) Prof R Venkat Rao, Vice Chancellor, National Law School of India University, Bangalore may please examine the implications of the Lodha Committee Report in detail and suggest further action that needs to be taken by the AIU.*

**338/07 To approve items for discussion at the 90<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting (General and Business Session) of the Association to be held on February 5, 2015 and February 7, 2016 respectively at the Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar 388 120, District Anand, Gujarat**

*The Governing Council while approving the Agenda for discussion at the General Session and Business Session resolved to hold Business Session at 11:00 am on February 5, 2016 and General Session at 9:30 on February 7, 2016 am.*



- 2) *The Governing Council considered the proposal revised as above and resolved to approve the same and recommended for necessary amendment in the AIU Rules and Regulations with immediate effect.*

## **HOSTING OF NEXT ANNUAL MEETING in 2017**

338/10 To consider the proposal for hosting the next (91<sup>st</sup>) Annual Meeting of the Association in 2017 in South Zone.

[Note: In order of rotation, it is the turn of the South Zone to host the next (91<sup>st</sup>) Annual Meeting of the Association in 2017.]

The following Universities have agreed to host the next Annual Meeting on the campus of their University:

1. Vignan University Vadlamudi, AP
2. Presidency University, Bangalore
3. Yeonopaya University, Mangalore
4. Dayananda Sagar University, Bangalore
5. Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati
6. Bangalore University, Bangalore
7. Karapagam Academy of Higher Education, Coimbatore
8. Reva University, Bangalore
9. Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belagavi, Karnataka ]

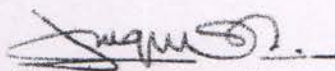
*It was resolved that the following be recommended for hosting the next 91<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the Association of Indian Universities:*

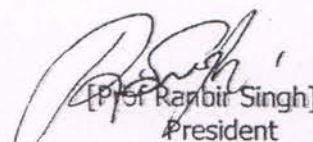
1. Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati
2. Bangalore University, Bangalore
3. Reva University, Bangalore

Any other item with the permission of the Chair

*The Governing Council put on record its appreciation for the Universities that hosted the Zonal and Annual General Meetings of the Association during 2015-16 and resolved that a letter of appreciation be sent to each one of them.*

The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair

  
[Prof Furqan Qamar]  
Secretary General

  
[Prof Ranbir Singh]  
President