Association of Indian Universities

Minutes of the $335^{\rm th}$ Governing Council Meeting held on September 29, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi 110002

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	Prof Ranbir Singh, President, AIU	In Chair
2.	Prof D S Chauhan, Vice President, AIU	Member
3.	Dr H M Desai, Immediate Past President, AIU	Member
4.	Prof I K Bhat	Member
5.	Prof Shivajirao S Kadam	Member
	Vaid Rajesh Kotecha	Member
	Dr G Bhaskaran	Member
8.	Dr J Mahender Reddy	Member
	Prof Shiv Kumar Pandey	Member
	Prof Raviprakash G Dani	Member
	Prof (Dr) A Lakshminath	Member
12.	Prof (Dr) Paramjit S Jaswal	Member
13	Prof R Venkata Rao	
		Member
14.	Prof Furqan Qamar, Secretary General, AIU Member	Secretary

Prof Tej Pratap, Prof S W Akhtar, Prof. C K Kokate, Dr K M Bujarbaruah, Dr Matthew Prasad, Prof Deepak Kumar Behera, Prof Mushahid Husain and Prof Mihir K Chaudhari expressed their inability to attend the Meeting due to their prior engagements.

At the outset Professor Ranbir Singh, President, AIU welcomed the Members of the Governing Council especially Prof Shivajirao S Kadam, Prof R Venkat Rao, Prof I K Bhat, Prof S K Pandey, Dr G Bhaskaran, Prof (Dr) Paramjit S Jaswal who attended the Meeting of the Governing Council for the first time. He highlighted the work that the AIU has been doing and promised to carry forward the agenda. He hoped to receive whole-hearted support and cooperation from all members.

The Governing Council was apprised that Professor Ranbir Singh, President, AIU has been nominated as a member on the Board of the Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU), London initially for a period two years and in that capacity he shall not only be representing India but also the South and South East Asia. Members congratulated Professor Ranbir Singh on his annointment on this position as it is a rare honour for a Vice Chancellor in India to be represented on the Board of the ACU, London.

Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for discussion.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

335/01 To confirm the Minutes of the 334th Governing Council Meeting held on June 30, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi

Confirmed.

ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES

335/02 To report action taken on the Minutes of the 334th Governing Council Meeting held on June 30, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi

Noted and approved.

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ITEMS TO REPORT

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- (1) To report that Prof. S K Pandey, VC, Pandit Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur will be representing on the Governing Council of the Association for a period of two years with effect from 07.07.2015 on the basis of his individual seniority from Central Zone in place of Prof K N S Yadava, who has demitted the office of Vice Chancellor, Rani
- (2) To report that Prof. I K Bhat, Director, Malviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur will be representing on the Governing Council on the basis of his individual seniority from West Zone for a period of two years with effect from 14.6.2015 in place of Prof V Kutumba Sastry, who has laid down the office of Vice Chancellor, Shree Somnath Sanskrit University, Veraval, Gujarat.
- (3) To report that Prof. S S Kadam, Vice Chancellor, Bharti Vidyapeeth, Pune will be representing on the Governing Council for a period of two years with effect from July 07, 2015 on the basis of his individual seniority from West Zone in place of Prof Rajan M Welukar, who has demitted the office of Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai on 06.07.2015.
- (4) To report that Dr G Bhaskaran, who has taken over as Vice Chancellor of Tamil University, Thanjavur and will represent on the Governing Council on the basis of institutional seniority of the University from South Zone for the remaining period upto 30.06.2016.

Noted and approved.

To report that Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department 335/04 of Higher Education (International Cooperation Cell) vide its O M No.F.No.6-2/2015-ICC dated July 17, 2015 has issued instructions on Exemption from seeking approval of Cabinet for entering into agreement with foreign agencies for cooperation in the field of education. A copy of OM has circulated through e-mail to member Universities and has been placed on AIU website at http://www.aiuweb.org .

Annexure 4.01

Noted.

Members were advised to place the information about the MoU signed between foreign Universities/Institutes on their websites and also inform the Ministry of Human Resource Development.

To report that the Secretary General, AIU has been nominated as an Institutional Member on 335/05 the re-constituted Indian National Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO (INCCU), vide Notification No.22-a/2014-INC dated September 2, 2015 issued by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education, Government of India.

Noted. Members congratulated and complemented the Secretary General, AIU.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

To consider grant of provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to 335/06 the following Universities:

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

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For Public Funded Universities:

The University should be registered u/s 2(f) or 22 of UGC Act, 1956. Cotton College State University, Guwahati is a public funded University which has (i) been established through The Cotton College State University Act, 2011 notified on September 5, 2011. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission under section 22 of UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.9-10/2013(CPP-I/PU) dated August 2, 2013. The University meets the criteria for grant of provisional membership of the Association. For Self-financed Private Universities:

- a) The University should be registered u/s 2(f) or 22 of UGC Act, 1956; and
- b) The University should have standing of 2(two) Years.
- R K D F University, Bhopal is a self-financed private University established through an (ii) Act of State Legislature of Madhya Pradesh (The Madhya Pradesh Niji Vishwavidyalya (Sthapana Avam Sanchalan Dwitiya Sanshodhan Vidyeyak, 2011(Madya Pradesh Bill No.23 of 2011) notified vide Notification dated July 19, 2011. The University has completed 2-years of existence on July 18, 2013. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.8-45/2012(CPP-I/PU) dated May 5, 2012.The University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional
- Jagran Lakecity University, Bhopal is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Madhya Pradesh (The Madhya Pradesh Niji Vishwavidyalya (Sthapana Avam Sanchalan Dwitiya Sanshodhan Vidyeyak, 2007 (Madya Pradesh Bill No.17 of 2007) notified vide Notification dated May 25, 2007. The University has completed 2-years of existence on May 24, 2009. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.8-10/2013(CPP-I/PU) dated July 28, 2015. University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities w.e.f. 28.7.2015.
- (iv) Uttaranchal University, Dehradun is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Uttarakahand through The Uttaranchal University Act, 2012 (Uttarakahand Act No.11 of notified vide Notification dated February 15, 2013. The University has completed 2-years of existence on February 14, 2015. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.8-10/2013(CPP-I/PU) dated May 25, 2015 University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities w.e.f. 25.5.2015.
- IMS Unison University, Dehradun is a self-financed private University established (v) through an Act of State Legislature of Uttarakahand through The IMS Unison Act, 2012 (Uttarakahand Act No.13 of 2013of notified vide Notification dated February 16, 2013. The University has completed 2-years of existence on February 15, 2015. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.5-1-2015(CPP-I/PU) dated May 19, 2015 University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities w.e.f. 19.5.2015.
- Shri Ramswaroop Memorial University, Hadauri, UP is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Uttar Pradesh through Shri Ramswaroop Memorial University Act, 2011 (Uttar Pradesh Adhiniyam No.1 of 2012) Notified vide Notification dated on July 4, 2012. The University has completed 2-years of

existence on July 3, 2014. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.5-1-2015(CPP-I/PU) dated <u>June 30, 2015</u> University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities w.e.f. <u>30.06.2015</u>.

- (vii) Apex Professional University, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Arunachal Pradesh through The Apex Professional University Act, 2012 (Act No. 7 of 2013) Notified vide Notification dated on May 10, 2013. The University has completed 2-years of existence on May 09, 2015. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.5-7/2014(CPP-I/PU) dated August 28, 2014 University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities w.e.f. May 10, 2015.
- (viii) Venkateswara Open University, Arunachal Pradesh is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Arunachal Pradesh through The Venkateswara Open University Act, 2012 (Act No. 10 of 2013) Notified vide Notification dated on May 10, 2013. The University has completed 2-years of existence on June 20, 2015. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.8-32/2012(CPP-I/PU) dated July 17, 2015 University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities w.e.f. July 17, 2015.
- (ix) R K University, Bhavnagar, Gujarat is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Gujarat notified vide Notification dated October 12, 2011. The University has completed 2-years of existence on October 11, 2013. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.8-35/2011(CPP-I/PU) dated February 21, 2012. University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities w.e.f. 1.4.2015.

Resolved to grant provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to above mentioned Universities, subject to fulfillment of criteria laid down in this regard with effect from the year 2015-16 or date of completion of 2-year of existence or recognition of the University by the University Grants Commission u/s 2(f) or 22 of UGC Act, 1956, whichever is later.

335/07 To consider installation (institution) of a New Silver Rolling Trophy for the Champion Team of All India Inter-University Greco Roman (Men) Wrestling Tournament 2015-16 onwards.

[Note: The University of Mysore, Mysore vide their official letter No.VC/PER/2015-16 dated August 14, 2015 requested the AIU for grant of permission to install New Silver Rolling Trophy for the Champion Team of All India Inter University Greco Roman men Wrestling Tournament 2015-6 onwards.

As per relevant Rule No. VIII (6) of the Handbook of Rules and Regulations for Inter University Tournaments which stipulates as follows:

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"No offer for a Trophy from any donor shall be accepted unless the minimum cost of the trophy offered for donation is Rs.25,000/- only. The donated trophies- shall be titled

i) After the name of the donating university;

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- ii) After the name of the university which gets a trophy donated; OR
- iii) In the name of a sportsperson of outstanding merit in the game concerned."

In view of the above, the request of University of Mysore, Mysore may be considered for institution of New Silver Rolling Trophy for the Champion Team of All India Inter University Greco Roman (men) Wrestling Tournament 2015-16 onwards in the larger interest of encouraging and promoting competitive sports in the university sector.

The "Silver Rolling Trophy" worth Rs.1.5 lakh has been donated by Sri L Manjappa, Retired SAI Wrestling Coach, in the name of "University of Mysore Centenary Celebration 2015-16". Communication No.VC/PER/2015-16 dated August 14, 2015 from Prof K S Rangappa, Vice chancellor, University of Mysore, Mysore is at annexure 7.01]

Annexure 7.01

Resolved to accept the proposal received from the Vice Chancellor, University of Mysore, Mysore to institute a trophy in the name of "University of Mysore Centenary Celebration Trophy" for the Champion Team of All India Inter-University Greco Roman (Men) Wrestling Tournament 2015-16.

It was resolved to authorize the President, AIU and Secretary General, AIU to constitute a Committee to revise the norms and criteria for Institution of Trophy for Sports events.

335/08 To consider the dates for organization of next (90th)Annual General Body Meeting at Sardar Patel University, Vallabhvidyanagar and decide the theme for discussion at the AIU National Seminar.

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 89th Annual Meeting held at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara resolved to organize the next Meeting of the Association at Sardar Patel University, Vallabhvidyanagar, Gujarat. The VC, Sardar Patel University has suggested February 5-6-7, 2016 as convenient dates for organizing the Meeting. The theme for discussion at the National Seminar is also to be decided.

During the last few years, the following were the topics for discussion at the AIU National Seminar:

2014-15	Promoting Excellence in Higher Education Sub-Themes: Recruitment of Faculty; Norms for NAAC Accreditation; Uniform applicability of Credit Base Choice System; Academic Autonomy.			
2013-14	Rashtriya Ucchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)			
2012-13	Research in Higher Education institutions for Sustainable Development Reforms and Innovation in Higher Education Towards World Class Standards			
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2010	Governance of Higher Education	
2009	Evaluation Systems	
2008	Quality and Relevance of Higher Education	
2007	Report of the National Knowledge Commission	
2006	150 Years of University Education in India	
2005	Role of Universities in Empowerment of Socio-economic weaker sections	
2004	Engagement of Universities with the Society"	
2003	 Threats and Opportunities in Higher Education in the context of GATS and Networking among Indian Universities and credit transfer within the Universities in India. 	
2002	Quality Assurance in Higher Education	
2001	Technology Enabled Flexible Education and Development	

Resolved to confirm the dates for organization of 90th Annual Meeting as <u>February 5-6-7, 2016.</u>

Resolved that the theme for discussion at the 90th Annual Meeting shall be "Role of Higher Education in Transforming India"

335/09 (1) To consider the Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held on September 28, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi.

Minutes of the Finance Committee were circulated to members. The Secretary General, AIU presented a summary of the decisions taken at the Finance Committee Meeting held on 28.09.2015. Minutes of the Finance Committee were approved by the Governing Council.

(2)To consider the Minutes of AIU Grievance Committee Meeting held on September 29, 2015.

Consideration of the item was deferred till next meeting of the Governing Council.

335/10 To report that the President, AIU and the Secretary General, AIU will be attending the 34th FISU Ordinary General Assembly Meeting scheduled to be held on November 7-8, 2015 at Lausanne, Switzerland.

[Note: The Association of Indian Universities is an affiliated member of FISU and actively participating in the Sports events organized by it.]

Noted and approved that AIU will meet the expenses on Registration, travel, boarding, lodging, Visa, Insurance etc. as per AIU Rules.

To report that "Information Brochure" giving policies and procedures for according equivalence to foreign qualifications/degrees has been upadated to reflect the procedure as approved by the competent authorities of the Association as on 30th June , 2015.

Annexure 10.01[Pp 21-49]

[Note: A copy of the Information Brochure is placed as Annexure 10.01]

Members were informed that the Information Brochure has also been put on AIU website. Members appreciated the initiative taken by the Secretary General, AIU and the Brochure was approved.

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335/12 To consider purchase of a new Staff Car for use by the Secretary General, AIU.

[Note: Staff Car No. DL 3C 4360 Tata Indgo was purchased in the year January 2004 (Date of Registration 17.01.2004 and needs replacement.

A provision of Rs.12 lakh has been made in the Revised Estimates 2015-16 for purchase of a new Staff Car.]

The Governing Council noted that the Finance Committee resolved an allocation of Rs.15.00 lakh in the Budget and has recommended for the purchase of a new Staff Car for use by the Secretary General, AIU within a ceiling limit of Rs.15.00 lakh. The proposal was approved by the Governing Council.

335/13 To report extension/resignation of contractual employees in AIU Secretariat:

Exte	nsion:-			
SI.	Name & designation	Period of extension		Remuneration
No.		From	То	per month
INO.	1 Shri Anshuman Ghurniyal, Trainee DTP Operator	31.7.2015	30.1.2016	Rs.14,000/-
	2 Smt Rajinder Kaur, Trainee (Library Assistant)	19.8.2015	18.2.2016	Rs.22,000/-
	3 Shri Raj Kumar, Driver	7.9.2015	6.3.2016	Rs.14,000/-
	4 Shri Teetu Bhati, MTS	14.9.2015	13.3.2016	Rs.10,000/-
	5 Shri Ramchandra Maurya, Mali (Part-Time)	27. (10.1)	18.2.2016	Rs.4,000/-
Res	gnation			
1,00	1 Dr. Fazlur Rahman	Trainee/Fellow (Research)		of Resignation 015(Forenoon)

Noted and Approved.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

To consider re-constitution of Committee for revision of Recruitment Rules, Service Rules, Promotions, and other matters related thereto.

[Note: The Governing Council in its meeting held on 24.2.2014 constituted the following Committee for revision of Recruitment Rules, Service Rules, Promotions, and other matters related thereto. The Committee will also look into the aspects of qualifications, classification, eligibility etc. of the various posts in AIU (Annexure-A):

Prof. Deepak Kumar Behera
 Prof. Saket Kushwaha
 Prof. Paramjit Singh Jaswal
 Shri Vikram Sahai, Nominee of UGC
 Secretary General, AIU

Chairman
Member
Member
Member
Member Secretary

It has been felt that the aforesaid Committee may be re-constituted /expanded to include some experts in the area of framing of Recruitment Rules, Service Rules & other related

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matters. It is accordingly proposed to include Dr. Sandeep Chatterjee, Registrar, JNU and Prof. K.P.S. Unny, former Registrar, JNU in the Committee.

It is further mentioned that Shri Vikram Sahay the then Director (Admn) UGC had been nominated by MHRD for the Sub-Committee hence he has also been included in the Committee.

Therefore, it is proposed that the Committee may be re-constituted by including the above mentioned experts. The Committee shall be as under:

 Prof. Deepak Kumar Behera, VC, Berampur Univ. 	Chairman
2. Prof. Saket Kushwaha, VC, Lalit Narayan Mithila Univ.	Member
3. Prof. Paramjit Singh Jaswal, RGUL	Member
4. Shri Vikram Sahai, Nominee of MHRD	Member
5. Nominee of UGC	Member
6. Dr. Sandeep Chatterjee, Registrar, JNU	Member
7. Prof. K.P.S. Unny, Former Registrar, JNU	Member
8. Secretary General, AIU	Member Secretary

The composition of the Committee as proposed above is submitted for kind approval of the Governing Council.]

Governing Council approved the proposal with the suggestion that Prof V. Vijayakumar, Professor of Law, National Law School of India University, Bangalore (former Vice Chancellor, Tamil Nadu Dr Ambedkar Law University, Chennai) be included as a Member in place of Dr Sandeep Chatterjee.

335/15 To consider grant of provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to the following Universities:

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

For Public Funded Universities:

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

- (i) Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Mohali, Punjab is an Institute of National Importance set up through an Act of Parliament (Act No.28 of 2012) by the by amending the National Institute of Technology Act, 2007. The Institute meet the requirement of grant of provisional membership of the Association from the year 2015-16.
- (ii) National University of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi is a public funded Deemed to be University, declared u/s 3 of UGC Act, 1956 in the year 2006. The University meets the requirement for grant of provisional membership of the Association with effect from 2015-16.
- (iii) Sanchi University of Buddhist-Indic Studies, Bhopal is a public funded University, established through an Act of State Legislature of Madhya Pradesh Sanchi University of Buddhist-Indic Studies Act, 2012(Act No.1 of 2013) notified on 3.1.2013. The University is empowered to award degrees as intimated vide

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UGC letter NO.F.9-16/2015 (CPP-I) dated August 26, 2015. The University is eligible for grant of provisional membership of AIU w.e.f. 26.08.2015.

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.
- University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya, is a self-financed private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Meghalaya (The University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya Act, 2008(Meghalaya Act No.6 of 2008)) notified vide Notification dated 2nd December, 2008. The University has completed 2-years of existence on December 1, 2010. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.8-18/2009 (CPP-I/PU) dated December 11, 2009. The University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities with effect from the year 2015-16.
- (v) Dayanand Sagara University, Bangalore is a self-finance private University established through an Act of State Legislature of Karnataka (Dayananda Sagara University, Bangalore (Karnataka Act No.20 of 2013) notified vide Notification dated 09.05.2013. The University has completed 2-years of existence on 8.5.2015. The University is empowered to award degrees as specified by the University Grants Commission u/s 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 as intimated vide their letter No.F.No.8-15/2014 (CPP-I/PU) dated August 18, 2015. The University fulfills both the criteria laid down by the General Body for grant of provisional membership of AIU to self financed Universities with effect from the year 18.08.2015.

Resolved to grant provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to above mentioned Universities, subject to fulfillment of criteria laid down in this regard with effect from the year 2015-16 or date of completion of 2-year of existence or recognition of the University by the University Grants Commission u/s 2(f) or 22 of UGC Act, 1956, whichever is later.

ITEMS TO REPORT

235/16 Reporting of Appointment on short term contract:

Ms Deepa Bhaskaran has joined AIU as Research Fellow on 28th September, 2015 (FN) for a period of three months initially on contract basis against the five (05) posts of Research Fellows advertised on AIU website and leading newspapers viz. Times of India and Nav Bharat.

Four (04) more posts of Research Fellows are proposed to be filled up on contract basis for a period of three months for specific projects in Research Division.

While selecting Ms Deepa Bhasakaran, the Selection Committee has recommended that the posts may be re-advertised on AIU website. In addition, DD (Research) may write to Delhi/NCR based Universities/Institutions forwarding a copy of the advertisement and requesting them to nominate candidates for consideration and selection as Research Fellows on short term contract basis.

Noted and approved.

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335/17 To report that Prof Ranbir Singh, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Delhi, Dwarka, New Delhi has taken over as the President of the Association of Indian Universities for a period of one year with effect from July 1, 2015.

The General Body of the Association at its 89th Annual Meeting held on May 25, [Note: 2015 at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara (Punjab) nominated Prof Ranbir Singh, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Delhi, Dwarka, New Delhi as President of the Association of Indian Universities for a period of one year with effect from 1.7.2015 to 30.06.2016.]

> Noted. Members congratulated him on his appointment and assured him of their fullest cooperation in carrying forward the agenda of the AIU.

To report that Prof D S Chauhan, Vice Chancellor, G L A University, Mathura has 335/18 taken over as the Vice President of the Association of Indian Universities, for a period of one year with effect from July 1, 2015

[Note: The General Body of the Association at its 89th Annual Meeting held on May 25, 2015 at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara (Punjab) nominated Prof D S Chauhan, Vice Chancellor, GLA University, Mathura as Vice President of the Association of Indian Universities for a period of one year with effect from 1.7.2015 to 30.06.2016. 1

> Noted. Members congratulated him on his appointment and assured him of their fullest cooperation in carrying forward the agenda of the AIU.

- 335/19 To report that Prof Ranbir Singh, President, AIU and Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Delhi, Dwarka, New Delhi 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.

To report that Prof I K Bhat, Director, Malviya National Institute of Technology, 335/20 Jaipur has been nominated on the Finance Committee in place of Dr. S N Puri, who has demitted the office of Vice Chancellor, Central Agricultural University, Imphal.

- To report that the Secretary General, AIU will be attending a discussion meeting being 335/21 organized by BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa University) President Forum Meeting to be held in Beijing, China from October 16-20, 2015.
- [Note: The Secretary General has been invited by the President, Beijing Normal University, Beijing has invited the Secretary General, AIU to address the University President Forum and speak at the sub-forum on "The Pathway of Volunteering for Sustainable Development: Experience from BRICS Countries" The Beijing Normal University has

agreed to cover international round trip airfare, hotel accommodation and boarding from October 16-20, 2015. Visa Charges, Insurance Charges, per diem and miscellaneous/contingencies expenses shall, however, be borne by the Association.

Noted and approved.

335/22 To consider grant of provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to the following Universities:

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

For Public Funded Universities:

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

(a) National Law Institute University, Bhopal, is a public funded University established through an Act of State Legislature of Madhya Pradesh (Rashtirya Vidhi Sansthan Vishwavidyalya Adhiniyam 1997 (Madhya Pradesh Act No.41 of 1997) notified on 10 July, 1998. The University has been recognized u/s 2 (f) of UGC Act, 1956 vide their letter No.F.9-1/99 (CPP-I) dated 18 October, 2004. The University fulfills the condition for grant of provisional membership of the Association with effect from 2015-16.

Resolved to grant provisional membership of the Association of Indian Universities to National Law Institute University, Bhopal with effect from the year 2015-16 as University fulfills the criteria laid down in this regard i.e. recognition of the University by the University Grants Commission u/s 2(f) of UGC Act, 1956.

To consider letter No.VC/TS/809/2015 dated August 4, 2015 received from Prof Raviprakash G Dani, Vice Chancellor Dr Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth, Akola, enclosing a letter from Head of FAO E-Learning Group, Food and Agriculture Organization, UN, Rome, Italy proposing for establishing partnership with AIU and share freely available educational resources that cover a wide range of topics relevant to the global challenges of today and tomorrow. A copy of letter is placed as Annexure 23.01. The matter is placed before the Governing Council for further directions.

Annexure 23.01

Resolved to recommend the proposal to member Universities and agreed in principle on the probability of AIU entering into partnership with FAO. However, details of MoU to be signed with FAO be worked out with mutual consultation.

Prof Raviprakash G Dani, Member of the Governing was authorized to take up the matter with the FAO for the draft Memorandum of Understanding.

Any other item with the permission of the Chair

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- The Governing Council resolved that the AIU may write a letter to all member Universities to strictly adhere to the Regulations and Guidelines issued by the University Grants Commission from time to time, so as to ensure maintenance and coordination of standards of higher Education.
- 335/25 The Governing Council resolved that the AIU may write to the UGC to reconsider its decision to debar retired Professors, Adjunct Faculty and Honorary Professors from supervision Ph. D students. Members felt that many an eminent faculty members are associated in these capacities in many universities of repute and a blanket ban on their being research supervisor shall be detrimental to the quality of Ph.D programmes.
- 335/26 The Governing Council resolved that the AIU may write to the UGC urging them to constitute a Pay Revision Committee as per the past practice

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

[Prof Furqan Qamar] Secretary General

Prof Ranbir Singh]

President, AIU