

Appendix-VII
Resolution No. 29 (29-4)
EC dated 29.10.2021
UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON
WEDNESDAY, THE 27TH OCTOBER, 2021 AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE
COUNCIL ROOM, UNIVERSITY OF DELHI, DELHI-110007

No. 03 of 2021

PRESENT

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| 1. Professor Yogesh Singh, Vice Chancellor | – Chairman |
| 2. Professor P.C. Joshi, Pro Vice Chancellor | – Member |
| 3. Sh. J. L. Gupta | – Member (Elected) |
| 4. Sh. Rajesh Kumar Gogna | – Member (Elected) |
| 5. Additional Secretary (CU), MoE
Represented by Sh. P. K. Singh
Under Secretary, MoE (CU) | – (Visitor's Nominee) |
| 6. Professor Kavita Sharma, Treasurer | – Convener |

SPECIAL INVITEES

1. Dr. Jitendra K. Tripathi, Joint Secretary, UGC
2. Professor Balaram Pani, Dean of Colleges
3. Professor Suman Kundu, Director, South Delhi Campus

4. Professor Pankaj Sinha, Dean Planning
5. Sh. Anupam Srivastava, Chief Engineer
6. Shri Girish Ranjan, Finance Officer

Dr. Vikas Gupta, Registrar

– Secretary

REGRET

1. Joint Secretary & Financial Advisor MoE (Nominee of Visitor)

Sh. Kapil Aggarwal, Joint Finance Officer, Sh. S. Rangabashiam, IAO, Sh. A. K. Prakash, Joint Registrar, Sh. R. S. Brar, Assistant Registrar (Finance) and Shri Rajender Singh, Executive Engineer assisted the Committee in its deliberations.

The meeting started with National Anthem.

WELCOME

01/ At the Outset the Registrar read the following welcome note, introducing and welcoming Professor Yogesh Singh who had joined as the Vice Chancellor of the University on 08th October, 2021 (A/N):

“Hon'ble Visitor (The President of India) has appointed Professor Yogesh Singh as the Vice Chancellor of the University of Delhi. Professor Yogesh Singh assumed the charges of the Vice Chancellor on 8th October, 2021 (A/N). Prior to that he was the Vice Chancellor of Delhi Technological University. Prior to that he has been the Director of Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology, Delhi (December 31, 2014 to July 24, 2017) and Vice Chancellor of Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Gujarat (July 07, 2011 to December 29, 2014). Government of Gujarat had given him the second term of Vice Chancellor, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, which he continued up till December 29, 2014.

He received his M.Tech. (Electronics & Communication Engineering) and Ph.D. (Computer Engineering) degrees from National Institute of Technology, Kurukshetra, Haryana. He has supervised 23 Ph.Ds in the area of Software Engineering. He has more than 250 publications in International and National Journals/Conferences.

He wrote a book on “Software Testing” published by Cambridge University Press, England (2011). He has also co-authored books on Software Engineering published by New Age International Delhi (2002), and Object Oriented Software Engineering published by PHI Learning, Delhi (2012). Prof. Yogesh Singh participated in YALE-INDIA LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME in Yale University, USA (2011).

He is a member of the Executive Committee of National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with effect from October 03, 2019. He is also an independent Director of Gujarat State Petro Net Ltd. and Gujarat State Petroleum Corporations Ltd. (Government of Gujarat Undertakings) since May, 2013 and March, 2015 respectively. He is appointed as the Additional Director (Non-Executive, Independent Director) on the Board of Director of Gujarat Gas for the tenure of 5 years w.e.f. from 15 August, 2021. Prof. Yogesh Singh is the Chairman of Governing Board of Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre, Gandhinagar, an Autonomous Inter-University Centre (IUC) of University Grants Commission, New Delhi (Ministry of Education, Govt. of India).

Prof. Singh was the Chairman, Central Regional Committee, All India Council for Technical Education, Bhopal (covering States of Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh & Gujarat) from December 2011 to May 2014. He was member of the General Council of National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) and was also the member of the Governing Council of Association of Indian Universities.

He has served as Dean, University School of Information Technology (2001-2006), Controller of Examinations (2006-2011) and Director Students Welfare of Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi.”

On behalf of the Finance Committee, I have the privilege and honour to welcome Prof. Yogesh Singh as the Vice Chancellor of this University and as the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Some of the members individually expressing their sentiments, also welcome Prof. Yogesh Singh.

The Vice Chancellor thanked the members for their sentiments and sought their co-operation in his efforts to take the University forward. Further, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, welcomed all the members present and invitees.

02/ The Finance Committee also welcomed the following persons who have become members of the Finance Committee:–

Statute 10-A(1)(iv)

1. Dr. J.L. Gupta
2. Shri Rajesh Kumar Gogna

APPRECIATION

03/ The Finance Committee placed on record its deep appreciation of the services rendered by the following as member of the Finance Committee:

Statute 10-A(1)(iv)

1. Dr. V.K. Aggarwal
2. Shri Rajpal Singh Pawar

04/ The Finance Committee expressed condolence on the sad demise of Prof. J.P. Khurana, former Pro-Vice Chancellor of the University who left for heavenly abode on 27.10.2021.

“Prof. J.P. Khurana was the Pro-Vice Chancellor from 01.06.2016 to 15.11.2019. He was interim Dean of Colleges from 28.07.2016 to 05.09.2016, 08.02.2018 to 03.04.2018, 04.07.2018 to 31.10.2019. Prof. Khurana also served as Director, South Campus w.e.f. 27.05.2016 to 31.10.2019.

Dr. Jitendra Paul Khurana was the Professor in the Department of Plant Molecular Biology, University of Delhi South Campus. He had his early education in Delhi and obtained Ph.D. in Botany from University of Delhi. He did his Post-doctoral work at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington DC, and at the Michigan State University, in the mid-1980s. He returned to India to join the newly established Department of Plant Molecular Biology at South Campus in the year 1988 and has been there ever since. He made short visits to US Department of Agriculture (USDA), Beltsville, in 1996 and 1998, under the Indo-US exchange programme. Subsequently, he was a visiting Professor at the Waksman Institute of Microbiology of the Rutgers University, USA, in 2001. He has served as a member of several scientific committees of the DBT, DST, CSIR and ICAR, and Advisory Committees of various Indian Universities and Institutes.

Professor Khurana contributed significantly to the sequencing of genomes of the crop plants like rice, tomato and wheat, as part of International Consortia. He has published nearly 140 research articles in refereed international journals, including ‘Nature’, ‘Science’, ‘Genome Research’, ‘Nucleic Acids Research’, ‘Plant Physiology’, and ‘Plant Cell & Environment’. In the past nearly 28 years, he has supervised 25 Ph.D. students and several post-doctoral Fellows.

For his scientific contributions, Professor Khurana has been honoured with several fellowships and awards. He is Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences (NASI), Allahabad; Fellow of the Indian National Science Academy (INSA), New Delhi; Fellow of the Indian Academy of Sciences (IASc), Bangalore; Fellow of the National Academy of Agricultural Sciences (NAAS), New Delhi; Fellow of The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), Trieste, Italy.

For his overall scientific contributions in the area of plant biology, Professor Khurana was awarded 'Tata Innovation Fellowship' by the DBT and, currently, he is availing J.C. Bose National Fellowship awarded by the DST."

The Finance Committee observed two minutes silence as a mark of respect for the departed soul.

05/ The observation as received on 26.10.2021 & 27.10.2021 through E-mail from UGC, MOE (CU) and JS & FA (MOE) were perused and after that the agenda items were taken up for consideration.

06/ CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8TH MARCH, 2021

The Finance Committee considered the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 08th March, 2021. The Committee noted that as per the observations of the Ministry of Education under Item No. 4, it was mentioned that

"As regards providing funds to the extent of Rs. 23.93 Crore towards payment on account of Arbitration cases against the University of Delhi is concerned, as also the specific recommendations on each case; a self-contained proposal with recommendations of the University should be forwarded to the CU Bureau, MoE, for consideration".

It was informed that as per the Financial Status of each project referred to in above Clause as appended herewith and marked as Annexure-A, there is no requirement of funds either from the University Grants Commission or Ministry of Education.

It was decided to amend the portion of the said minutes accordingly.

Thereafter, the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 08th March, 2021 were confirmed with above amendment.

07/ ACTION TAKEN REPORT

The Action Taken Report on the resolutions of the Finance Committee at its meeting held on 8th March, 2021 were noted.

It was also decided that henceforth the Agenda Items of the Finance Committee must include items reporting the following:

1. Status of Audit Paras
2. Status of Public Grievances
3. Parliament Assurances

08/ TO CONSIDER THE AUDITED ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AND SEPARATE AUDIT REPORT (SAR) ISSUED BY OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF AUDIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2019-20

The Committee adopted the Audited Annual Accounts and Separate Audit Report (SAR) issued by the Office of the CAG for the Financial Year 2019-20 and recommended for approval to the Executive Council of the University.

The Finance Committee also deliberated on the issue regarding the delay in laying the Annual Accounts before both the houses of the Parliament. It was noted that the delay is primarily due to the inclusion of the SAR in respect of University maintained institutions. These institutions are funded directly by the UGC and the concerned Ministry as applicable. In order to maintain their accounts, the Governing Body of the respective maintained institution is the Competent Authority and as such the accounts are also audited by the CAG independently. In order to avoid any delay in laying the accounts of the University before both the houses of the Parliament, it was resolved that a request be made to the CAG of India for exclusion of SAR of the maintained institutions from the SAR of the University.

09/ TO CONSIDER ANNUAL ACCOUNTS OF THE UNIVERSITY FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2020-21

After due deliberations, the Committee considered and approved the Annual Accounts for the financial year 2020-21 and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

10/ TO REPORT AND RECORD THE ALLOCATION OF GRANT UNDER 'SALARY' (OH), 'RECURRING' (OH-31) AND 'CAPITAL ASSETS' (OH-35) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2021-22 BY THE UGC AND STATUS OF EXPENDITURE BY THE UNIVERSITY AS ON 30.09.2021

Statement of allocation of grant under 'Salary', 'Recurring' and 'Capital Assets' for the Financial Year 2021-22 by the UGC and status of expenditure by the University as on 30.09.2021 was placed before the Committee. The Committee observed that the grant allocated by the UGC for the Financial Year 2021-2022 is not sufficient and the University may take up the matter with the University Grants Commission for enhancement of allocation.

11/ TO CONSIDER THE UGC LETTER F. NO.35-2/2008 (CU-OBC) PT. FILE DATED 6TH JULY, 2021 REGARDING REFUND OF UNUTILIZED GRANTS RELEASED UNDER VARIOUS PLAN SCHEMES/XII PLAN GDS ETC.

The matter regarding refund of Unutilised Grant has been discussed. It was noted that the University is entering into its centenary year of celebration and in order to maintain its halls, departments, University accommodations which are more than 40 to 50 years old and are in dilapidated conditions and needs for urgent repair / renovation and also to execute the various essential projects, the funds are urgently required. Besides this, several repair and renovation projects are also to be undertaken on priority to avoid any mis-happening.

It was resolved that the Vice Chancellor be authorized to take up the matter with the UGC and the Ministry to allow the University to utilize the unspent funds as above.

12/ TO APPROVE THE INTERNAL AUDIT MANUAL

The Committee, after due deliberations considered and approved the Internal Audit Manual.

13/ TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 20.7.2021 AND 14.9.2021

The Committee has gone through the recommendations of the Building Committee meetings held on 20.7.2021 and 14.9.2021 and in principle accepted the recommendation of Building Committee and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

14/ TO RE-CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL TO REVISE THE WAGES OF THE CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE IN THE LIGHT OF THE DOPT OM NO. 49014/1/2017-ESTT.(C)

The Committee deliberated on the comments received from the UGC and MoE received through email dated 26.10.2021 and 27.10.2021 respectively.

The Committee noted that the University has engaged the contractual posts only against vacant substantive positions. Further, the University has already advertised the positions and is in the process to fill the vacant posts at the earliest.

The Committee approved the following:

1. Revision of remuneration of contractual staffs w.e.f. 01.11.2021 in accordance with Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT), Ministry of Personnel, PG & Pensions Office Memorandum No. 49014/1/2017-Estt.(C) dated 04th September, 2019 on 'Equal Pay for Equal Work' (i.e.) Minimum of Basic Pay + DA as applicable from time to time.
2. University will engage any further staff, if needed, through outsourcing following due procedure.

15/ TO CONSIDER FOR REVISION OF CONTRACTUAL FEE OF PART TIME MEDICAL OFFICERS WITH SUPER SPECIALITY DEGREE AND THAT OF OTHER PART TIME MEDICAL OFFICERS

The Committee deliberated on the comments received from the UGC and MoE received through email dated 26.10.2021 and 27.10.2021 respectively.

The Committee noted that only 11 Doctors with Super Specialty Degree are visiting the University varying from once a week to a maximum of thrice a week. However, one doctor is visiting five times a week keeping in view the requirement of patients. Further, there are four doctors with other than Super Specialty Degree who are visiting the Health Centres.

The Committee deliberated and approved the following fee per visit basis w.e.f. 01.11.2021 as under:

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| 1. Medical Officers with Super Specialty degree | – Rs.5000/- |
| 2. Other Part Time Medical Officers | – Rs.4500/- |

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

Sd/-
(Dr. Vikas Gupta)
Registrar – Secretary

Sd/-
(Prof. Yogesh Singh)
Vice Chancellor – Chairman