

Central University of Rajasthan



MINUTES

41st Meeting of Executive Council

- Meeting No.** : 41 (Forty One)
- Venue (Online)** : From the Conference Room (Second Floor), Administrative Building, Central University of Rajasthan, NH-8, Bandarsindri, Tehsil - Kishangarh - 305 817, Distt. - Ajmer, Rajasthan
- Date** : Wednesday, April 07, 2021
- Time** : 11:30 AM onwards

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The following members were present in the meeting:

1.	Prof. Neeraj Gupta, Chairman and Vice Chancellor (i/c), Central University of Rajasthan	Physically Present
2.	Prof. J. S. Rajput Nominee of the Chairman, UGC	Through Video Conferencing
3.	Prof. Akhil Ranjan Garg, Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering, Jai Narain Vyas University, Residency Road, Jodhpur-342 011	Through Video Conferencing
4.	Prof. Krishna Gopal Sharma, Head and Professor, Department of History and Indian Culture, University of Rajasthan	Through Video Conferencing
5.	Prof. Praveen Sahu, Dean, School of Commerce and Management, Central University of Rajasthan	Physically Present
6.	Dr. Ajit Kumar Patra, Dean, School of Physical Sciences Central University of Rajasthan	Physically Present
7.	Prof. Pradeep Verma, School of Life Sciences, Central University of Rajasthan	Physically Present
8.	Prof. Jugal Kishore Prajapat, Dean, School of Mathematics and Computational Science, Central University of Rajasthan	Through Video Conferencing
9.	Dr. Anjali Sharma, Dean, School of Education, Central University of Rajasthan	Through Video Conferencing
10.	Dr. Bhumika Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Central University of Rajasthan	Through Video Conferencing
11.	Dr. B. K. Mohapatra, Member of Finance Committee Special Invitee	Through Video Conferencing
12.	Sh. Dinesh Kumar Aggarwal (Finance Officer Off.), Special Invitee	Physically Present
13.	Sh. Santosh K Srivastava (Joint Registrar-I), Special Invitee	Physically Present
14.	Sh. KVS Kameswara Rao, Secretary & Registrar, Central University of Rajasthan	Physically Present

Following Members could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence:

1.	Secretary, Department of Higher Education Ministry of Education, Govt. of India
2.	Principal Secretary, Higher Education Govt. of Rajasthan
3.	Prof. Reena Dadhich, Head Department of Computer Science and Informatics, University of Kota
4.	Prof. Ashok Kumar Nagawat, Director Skill Education, Rajasthan ILD Skills University, Jaipur

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DETAILED MINUTES

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41-1.0	<p>WELCOME AND PRESENTATION BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR.</p> <p>The Chairman extended hearty welcome to all the members of the Executive Council. He expressed gratitude to all the members for agreeing to attend the meeting on a short notice. He also apprised the members about the recent developments. He informed the members about the recent accident that Prof. M.R.P. Singh, Department of Management met with and who passed away after fighting for about a week in the hospital. The EC observed two minutes of silence.</p>												
41-2.0	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES												
41-2.1	<p>Confirmation of Minutes of 40th Meeting of the Executive Council held on Thursday, February 04, 2021.</p> <p>Copy of the Minutes of the 40th Meeting of the Executive Council held on Thursday – February 04, 2021 is enclosed. (Annexure-A) [Page No. : 06 to 14]. Minutes were circulated to all members through e-mail dated 4th February, 2020 for confirmation / comments. After minor correction as suggested by one of the Members, the Final Minutes of 40th Meeting of Executive Council were circulated to all members through e-mail dated 22nd February, 2021.</p> <p>Placed before the Executive Council for confirmation.</p> <p>Resolution: Minutes of the 40th Meeting of the Executive Council were confirmed.</p>												
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41-4.0	ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION												
41-4.1	<p>Minutes of the 32nd Meeting of the Finance Committee.</p> <p>The 32nd Meeting of the Finance Committee of Central University of Rajasthan was held on 26th March 2021. The Minutes of the 32nd Meeting of the Finance Committee are placed before the Executive Council (Annexure-B) [Page No. : 15 to 30].</p> <p>Placed before the Executive Council for consideration.</p> <p>Resolution: The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Finance Committee with the following information:</p>												

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ It was informed that all UGC Schemes have now been extended upto March 2022. ➤ For Point No. 32-3.8, it was informed that the stipend amount for the trainees engaged against EWS Scheme has been booked to the University funds under Recurring Grant and no fund allocated under EWS Scheme has been spent. The services (training) of these trainees were dispensed with. ➤ For Point No. 32-4.2 “To consider the pending cases of NPS in respect of Ex-CURAJ employees whose PRAN not generated during their service at Central University of Rajasthan”, it was informed that no other matter is pending with the University.
	41-4.2	<p>To report about the extended tenure to be completed by Sh. D. K. Aggarwal, Finance Officer (Officiating)</p> <p>Sh. D. K. Aggarwal joined the Central University of Rajasthan as Finance Officer on 20.05.2013. After completion of his five year tenure, the term of the Sh. D. K. Aggarwal, Finance Officer has been renewed upto his attaining the age of 62 years. Accordingly, Sh. D. K Aggarwal, Finance Officer was superannuated after attaining 62 years of age on 09.04.2020. After his superannuation, offer of engagement vide letter No. 14 dated 08.04.2020 on the post of Finance Officer (Officiating) was given to Sh. D. K. Aggarwal for a period of 06 months or upto 01 month from the date of joining the regular Finance Officer, whichever is earlier. Accordingly, he joined the post on 10.04.2020 (F/N). However, the selected regular Finance Officer did not join the post.</p> <p>Meanwhile, the Vice Chancellor and Chairman, Executive Council has granted extension to Mr. Aggarwal from 10.10.2020 on contract basis for a further period of 06 months which was subsequently ratified by the Executive Council. Accordingly, the extension order on contractual engagement has been issued vide University order No. 1681 dated 29.09.2020 with a mention that he would not be authorized for financial transaction with sole signature and other terms and conditions as mentioned in the offer of engagement dated 08.04.2020 will remain same.</p> <p>Now, his contractual engagement is going to be completed on 09.04.2021.</p> <p>The matter was placed before the Finance Committee in its 32nd Meeting held on 26th March, 2021, where the following was resolved:</p> <p><i>“The Finance Committee noted the contents and acknowledged the need for an experienced person like Sh. D. K. Aggarwal to prepare Accounts etc. However, it was pointed out that this matter is not in the domain of the Finance Committee. The same may be taken up in the Executive Council Meeting for consideration/decision.”</i></p> <p>In view of the above, the matter is placed before the Executive Council for perusal, decision/consideration and directions.</p> <p>It was informed that after circulation of the draft minutes, on suggestion of the Finance Committee Members, the resolution on the matter has been revised as under:</p> <p><i>“The Finance Committee noted the contents and acknowledged the competence and contributions of Sh. D. K. Aggarwal as the Finance Officer of the University. Therefore, the University may utilize the services of Sh. D. K. Aggarwal wherever needed in accordance with the rules and procedures. It was observed that since the matter relating to the extension of tenure of the Finance Officer is not within the domain of the Finance Committee, the matter may be taken up with the Executive Council for appropriate action.”</i></p> <p>Prof. J.S. Rajput expressed his concern on placing the agenda about Finance Officer in the Finance Committee. It was informed that the matter was just a reporting item for information of Finance Committee.</p> <p>It was informed by the Vice Chancellor (i/c) that at present almost all statutory posts are vacant and given the situation it has not been possible to process any regular appointments. Earlier, the University appointed a whole-time Finance Officer on tenure basis but the candidate did not join which resulted in continuation of Mr. Aggarwal. Consequent upon decision of the EC in its previous meeting, the University has again advertised the post of Finance Officer. Letters have also been written to various institutions for wider publicity. However, given the present limitations no regular appointments can be made. In the present situation and given the nature of specialized work, the University needs a competent hand to prepare Annual Accounts,</p>

		<p>Balance Sheet and to manage the Accounts through PFMS, apart from dealing with other critical areas. Therefore, in the interest of the university, engagement of Mr. Aggarwal at this critical juncture deserves careful consideration. The OM of GOI dated 09.12.2020 was also referred during the discussions.</p> <p>Resolution: After detailed deliberations, the Executive Council resolved that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Registrar/Joint Registrar be given the over-all charge of the Office of the Finance Officer who shall be authorized to sign all the documents pertaining to the Finance Section. ➤ Considering the pressing need of the University and the immediate requirement of completion of the Accounts and audit related matters for the Financial Year 2020-21, the Executive Council approved engagement of Mr. D. K. Aggarwal as Officer on Special Duty (Finance) on contractual basis for a period not exceeding six months or till the regular Finance Officer joins, whichever is earlier. Mr. D. K. Aggarwal be not entrusted with any financial powers or be assigned the responsibility of correspondence with the outside agencies or signing the Utilization Certificates, and other bank related documents. The Executive Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to fix the remuneration/emoluments as per the updated GOI rules/orders/OM. ➤ The Executive Council further impressed upon the need to fill-up the statutory positions on priority. It was resolved that a letter be sent to the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India to authorize the Vice Chancellor (i/c) to go ahead with the process of appointments. ➤ It was further resolved to take up the matter with the Ministry of Education to expedite the process of appointment of regular Vice Chancellor of the University at the earliest.
41-4.3		<p>Various applications of non-teaching employees for promotion to higher posts</p> <p>This has reference to Notification No. 998 dated 24.07.2020 regarding inviting applications in the prescribed format from the eligible Non-Teaching Employees of the Central University of Rajasthan, satisfying the minimum eligibility criteria for promotion under Cadre Recruitment Rules (Non-teaching Employees), 2018.</p> <p>In reference to the above Notification, total 17 applications have been received from non-teaching employees for promotion to higher posts.</p> <p>As per CRR-2018, point No. 14, <i>"In the absence of a regular Vice-Chancellor, the Acting Vice-Chancellor may also nominate external experts/ members and hold the meetings of the Selection Committees/ Departmental Promotion Committees as per the provisions of these rules."</i></p> <p>The constitution of the Departmental Promotion Committee, as per CRR-2018, is attached as (Annexure-C) [Page No. : 31 to 32] where Executive Council has to nominate (i) two Members from amongst the Members of the Executive Council in case of Assistant Registrar and above positions, (ii) one Member of the Executive Council in case of Technical Positions below Assistant Registrar, and (iii) one Member in case of Non-Technical Positions below Assistant Registrar. In view of the above, the matter is placed before the Executive Council for perusal, decision and directions.</p> <p>Resolution: After discussions, the Executive Council resolved that the promotion cases of Non-Teaching Staff may be taken up by the Vice Chancellor (i/c) and authorized the Vice Chancellor to nominate the members on behalf of the Executive Council to form the Departmental Promotion Committee, as per the requirement.</p>
41-4.4		<p>Various applications of teaching employees for promotion under UGC C.A.S. under UGC Regulations, 2018</p> <p>This has reference to Circular No. 4737 dated 21.02.2019 and subsequently Circular No. 4833 dated 27.02.2019 regarding inviting applications from teachers and academic staff for promotion under UGC Career Advancement Scheme (CAS).</p>

In reference to the above Circulars, total 33 applications received for consideration of promotion under CAS for following levels:

S. No.	Level	Applications received	Method of Selection
1.	Level 13A to 14	08	Selection Committee
2.	Level 11 to 12	02	Screening-cum-Evaluation Committee
3.	Level 10 to 11	23	

As per UGC Regulations, 2018, *In order to avoid any delay in holding the Selection Committee meetings for various positions under the CAS, the University/College may initiate the process of screening/selection, and complete the process within six months from the receipt of application.*

In this regard, letter received from Ministry of Education (erstwhile Ministry of Human Resource Development) dated 09.10.2014 states as under:

"... the Acting Vice Chancellors can perform the routine nature of work of the University, which includes appointments on temporary basis and convening of meetings of the Committees like Finance Committee, Executive Council and Academic Council. Decisions like amending the Statutes, bringing new ordinances or amending the ordinances, appointment of permanent teaching and non-teaching staff, creation of new posts etc. should not be taken up by the acting Vice Chancellors."

As per the orders of Allahabad High Court dated 19.3.2015 against WRIT No. - 4178 of 2015, the cases of promotion under CAS should be processed by the acting Vice Chancellor.

For obtaining clarification on the matter, the University approached Ministry of Education vide its letter No. 3589 dated 09.03.2021 **(Annexure-D) [Page No. : 33]** and till date, no communication on the matter has been received from the Ministry of Education.

In view of the above, the matter is placed before the Executive Council for information and further directions.

Resolution: In view of the facts mentioned above, the Executive Council resolved that the university should wait for the response of the Ministry of Education with reference to the university communication dated 09.03.2021.

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ANY OTHER ITEMS WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.

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Before the meeting ended, the Members of the Executive Council were apprised by the Vice Chancellor about a matter of Arbitration Award for the work of construction of Staff Quarters (Type-B, C & D) executed by the CPWD as deposit works wherein as per the Arbitration Award, University has to pay approx. Rs. 43000000.00 including payable interest and GST to CPWD as an advance, to be released to the contractor as and when required. This matter will be placed before the Building & Works Committee and Finance Committee of the University for their recommendation and an emergency meeting of the Executive Council is to be convened very soon for seeking approval of the Executive Council.

There being no more points, the meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.
