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No: UAHS(S)/R/19th BOM Minutes/ 418 /2017-18

To,

- Vice-Chancellor and Chairman, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga-577 204.
- The Secretary to Government
 Agriculture Department,
 M.S. Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi,
 Bengaluru-560 001.
- 3. The Additional Chief Secretary (Finance), Finance Department, II Floor, Vidhana Soudha, Bengaluru 560001
- The Principal Secretary (Horticulture), Horticulture Department, M.S. Building, Dr. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru-560 001.
- 5. **Dr. S. Bhaskar,**Assistant Director General (AFF & CC),
 Room No 111, NRM Division, KAB II,
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- 6. **Dr. M. Manjunatha,**Dean (Agri.), College of Agriculture,
 Shivamogga 577204.

Sir.

Sub: Releasing the Minutes of 19th Meeting of Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga held on 12-05-2017 for comments if any...Reg.

Ref: 1. Governor Circular No. GS 06 GUM 2016, dated: 26-04-2016.

2. Approval of the Vice-Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga dated: 18-05-2017.

I am directed to release the Minutes of 19th Meeting of the Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga held on 12th May, 2017 in the Board room, Office of the Secretary to Government, Department of Agriculture, M.S. Building, Bengaluru for your kind information. Comments if any, or otherwise on the minutes may please be sent to this office on or before **25-05-2017** as per the circular of Governor, which was circulated already ref. (1). If no comments are received, it will be construed that the Minutes of 19th Meeting of the Board of Management, is approved to release the final minutes and to take action on the Agenda.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Registrar and Member Secretary

University of Agricultural & Horticultural Sciences

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Encl: a/a Copy to:

- 1) The Secretary to VC It is informed to bring the same to the kind notice of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga.
- 2) BOM File

Minutes of the 19th Meeting of the Board of Management University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 12-05-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka.

Members Present

1.	Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Vice-Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga	Chairman
2.	Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture	Member
3.	The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GoK	Member
4.	The Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, GoK	Member
5.	Dr. S. Bhaskar, Assistant Director General (AFF & CC), New Delhi	Member
6.	Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga	Member
7.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga	Secretary Member

Invities

- 1. Jawed, CE, North Division, Dharwad
- 2. Chandrashekhar, Internal Finance Officer, PWD, Bengaluru
- 3. Ganesh, Chief Engineer, KHB, Bengaluru

At the outset, Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Chairman of the Board, UAHS, Shivamogga welcomed all the Members to the 19th Meeting of Board of Management and conducted the meeting. Following is the Action Taken Report of the 18th meeting of BOM held on 25-03-2017.

PART - 'A'

The Vice Chancellor and Chairman requested the Registrar to readout the ATR of 18th meeting of BOM and also requested the Hon'ble members to confirm the ATR. The ATR was totally approved, except a few suggestions on the certain points, as below.

Items

<u>Item No. 3</u>: Implementation of Employee Provident Fund Facility to Contract Workers at University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka has issued instructions vide ref No. LD16 LWA 2016 dated: 08-12-2016 regarding extension of Social Security Benefit under EPF and MF Act, 1952 to the Construction and Contract Work employees engaged by them or through contactor by the State Government Departments and undertaking Municipalities are required to be covered under the Provision of EPF Act. Earlier this Scheme has been implemented to the regular employees only. Now, the Government is stressing to implement the EPF Scheme to all the Contractual Workers, working in the respective institutions. As per the directions of the Government, this University has to deduct 12 % of the amount from the every Contractual Worker from his salary every month. Similarly, equal portion of contribution (12%) has to be paid by the University. Hence, as per the direction of the Government the University is wishing to extend this benefit to around 362 persons who are working in the University as contractual workers. The proposal is put up with necessary documents for kind consideration and approval from the Board of Management. To implement the EPF Facility to Contractual Workers in the University. As per the directions of the Government, the University has to extend the benefits of EPF

Schemes to all the Contractual workers by deducting 12% of amount from their salary and adding equal share of contribution (12%) from the University to the every workers. Additionally Rs.34,96,370/- is required to implement the EPF Scheme for Contractual Workers.

This issue was discussed in detail. The proposal for creation of the required technical and supporting staff should be followed upon priority. The outsourcing people under plan grants on above basis was also discussed and it was decided to take this issue of outsourcing the supporting staff through agency to the co-ordination commetee for maintaining uniformity across all the universities.

(Action: Registrar)

Other issues.

1. Inauguration of Girls Hostel building at Diploma College, Kathalagere PG Hostel at Shivamogga and the Horticulture hub at Madikeri are to be inaugurated for which all the Hon'ble Members of the Board could be invited.

Tentatively it is proposed to hold during 3rd week of June, 2017.

(Action: Estate Officer)

PART-'B'

Agenda Items for 19th Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary. The following decisions were arrived at.

Items

Item No. 1: Construction of New University Campus at Iruvakki.

The process of tendering for construction of the New University campus at Iruvakki was tendered by Karnataka Housing Board on19.10.2016. Among the two bidders the NCC Limited was the L1 bidder. However, the rates quoted by L1 was with a tender premium of 27.27%. Two negotiation meetings were held under the Chairmanship of the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Govt. of Karnataka and the tender premium was reduced to 12% above the re-casted estimated amount put to tender excluding service tax. The proposal was examined by the Finance Department and the Finance Department gave its opinion that the service tax is already included in the bid amount and he should not insist for 6% service tax and also indicated that if he refuses the tender should be cancelled and retendered. In the light of this, the L1 bidder was asked to give his opinion and they have reconfirmed that the bid amount has not included the service tax and with additional service tax the tendered amount would become 147.01crores. The KHB was asked to give justification keeping in view the suggestions made by the Chief Engineer, Dharwad and also the final quote of L1 bidder. The KHB has given its justification to have suggestions made by Chief Engineer, Dharwad and also giving reasons for the higher cause involved in construction of the facility. The samething was forwarded to the Secretary, Dept. of Agriculture, Govt. of Karnataka by the Vice Chancellor for the consideration of the tender and to take forward to the Cabinet for further consideration. The Government of Karnataka vide order No. శ్రామం 2015, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ 08.01.2016 has provided Rs. 150 crores for the construction of new Iruvakki campus. The financial involvement is Rs. 157.60 crores including the KHB charges and architects fee.

It was discussed in detail regarding the bid mentioned by L1 bidder for the construction of University of Agriculture and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga's new campus. It was decided in the meeting that the opinion given by the Commissioner for K.H.B and L1 bidder regarding bid rate is acceptable as the proposed mega project work takes longer duration and requires huge quantity of raw materials and labours which will be increasing from time to time. So it was decided that the rate quoted by L1 bidder to the extent of 18%(including Service Charges) may be accepted. This may be intimated to the Govt for further needful.

(Action: Registrar)

<u>Item No. 2:</u> Development of New University campus at Iruvakki – Creation of team of scientists and supporting staff.

With support from Government of Karnataka the university has acquired 777.07 acres of land vide order no. ಆರ್ಡಿ 40 ಎಲ್.ಜಿ.ಎಸ್ 2012 ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ದಿನಾಂಕ 31.01.2015. The work with regard to fixing the boundary and fencing is going on. It is proposed to take up the development of this land for carrying out various mandated research and extension activities of the university in addition to establishing the infrastructure for undertaking various PG programmes of the university. In this regard the Board of Management in the 4th meeting had approved the proposal for creation of posts (332 posts + 100 for PG centre). The university has earmarked about Rs. 100 lakhs to take up the land development and facilitate implementation of research and development programmes at Iruvakki. It is also envisaged to have a main research station in the Head quarters with 2 Professors, 2 Associate Professors, 12 Assistant Professors, 60 supporting staffs for taking care of the entire 777.07 acres land. It is also desired to establish a Biofuel Park in collaboration with Karnataka Biofuel Board in the new campus in about 50 acres of land. Since the land is already in possession of the university, it is desired that the utilisation of land should be initiated to avoid encroachment and other associated problems. To start with it is desired to initiate the process of land development by placing one Chief Scientific Officer, one Senior Farm Superintendent, one Soil Scientist, one Horticulturist and one Forestry Scientist along with 4 Field Assistants. There is a necessity to initiate development of this land to undertake various research and development programmes. The financial allocation of Rs. 100 lakhs is made in the budget of university. However, the salary component may be met out of the plan grants of the university.

The Board after discussing the issue critically approved the item and suggested to redeploy the posts requested and asked to take up the work immediately.

(Action: Registrar and Director of Research))

<u>Item No. 3:</u> Enhancement of monthly remuneration for the Research Associates and Senior Research Fellows working under UAHS project on par with ICAR schemes.

The UAHS regularly employs Senior Research Fellows and Research Associates for running various externally funded projects as well as University/State Government funded projects. However, there seems to be a big difference in emoluments of RAs and SRFs between ICAR funded scheme and UAHS projects. As a result, the incumbent working in UAHS funded projects frequently discontinue the project work resulting in hampering the activities of the scheme. Many projects particularly, Seed Unit and Ad-hoc projects are not functioning to the expected level, making it difficult for accountability. In the best interest of the University these projects have to have continued presence SRF or RA. In order to maintain uniformity and to retain the young talents in the UAHS, it is proposed to have remuneration to SRFs and RAs on par with ICAR projects for the UAHS funded projects also. Presently, the pay scale for the Research Associate and Senior Research Fellow working in the ICAR funded scheme

is as indicated below:

A. Senior Research Fellows working in Research Scheme funded by ICAR				
Sl.N o.	Category	Existing Rates	Revised Rates	
1	Post Graduate to subjects other than Veterinary Science	₹ 16,000/- per month for 1 st and 2 nd year	₹ 25,000/- per month for 1 st and 2 nd year	
		₹ 18,000/- per month for 3 rd year	₹ 28,000/- per month for 3 rd year	
2	Post Graduates in Veterinary Science	₹ 18,000/- per month for 1 st and 2 nd year		
		₹ 20,000/- per month for 3 rd year		

В.	Research Associates v funded by ICAR	vorking in Res	earch Schemes
3	Master Degree Holders	₹ 23,000/- per month	₹ 38,000/- per month
4	Doctoral Degree Holders	₹ 24,000/- per month	₹40,000/- per month

The eligibility for availing revised rates of emoluments for SRFs and RAs working in ICAR funded schemes shall be as under:

Research Associates (RAs)

With Doctoral Degree: Ph.D in the relevant subject OR **With Master's Degree:** Master's Degree in the relevant subject with 4/5 years of Bachelors Degree having 1st division or 60% marks or equivalent overall grade point average, with atleast 2 years of research experience as evidenced from Fellowship/Associateship/ Training/Other engagement as circulated vide F.No.2-9/2012-HRD dated 25.04.2014

Senior Research Fellows (SRFs)

Master's Degree in the relevant subject with 4/5 years of Bachelors Degree. Candidates having Post Graduated Degree in basic sciences with 3 years Bachelors Degree and 2 years Master's Degree should have NET qualification as mentioned in the OM SR/S9/Z-09/2012 of DST dated 21.10.2014 (copy attached)

Other terms and conditions enunciated in guidelines of SRF and RAs working in ICAR funded scheme shall remain the same.

Hence, it is proposed to enhance the emoluments of RAs and SRFs as per the ICAR guidelines [F.No.Edn./6/27/2014/HRD dated 1st July, 2015 (enclosed)]

The Board of Management discussed the item at length and approved to pay the SRFs and RA's on par with ICAR for personnel who are inducted after the Boards approval.

(Action: Registrar)

<u>Item No. 4:</u> 1). Fixation of Emoluments for Assistant Medical Officer

(Contractual Service) as per UAS, GKVK, Bengaluru.

2). Hiring of Staff nurse for UAHS Dispensary.

The consolidated Salary of Assistant Medical Officer in UAS, GKVK, Bengaluru is Rs. 40,000/- (Rupees Forty thousand only) which includes all the allowances per month, while in UAHS, Shivamogga at present the consolidated salary is fixed at Rs. 30,000/- (Rupees Thirty thousand only). A request in this regard from the Assistant Medical Officer is received for enhancement of emoluments at par with UAS, Bengaluru. The request appears to be feasible for getting efficient medical officer to the UAHS dispensary for better medical service. At present the main campus has around 400 employees including contractual staff and labours in addition there are 600 students studying in UG and various PG programmes. As of now, the Assistant Medical officer has no staff nurse and is being assisted by a casual worker. Hence, for timely and better treatment of staff and students there is a need to hire a qualified staff nurse on contractual basis with a monthly remuneration of Rs. 14,000/-(Rupees Fourteen thousands only), to provide medical facility to the staff and students by hiring qualified medical officer and staff nurse on contractual basis. Budget provision is made in the plan grants of 2017-18 for meeting the wages of Assistant Medical Officer and nurse on contractual basis. The financial involvement of Rs. 54,000 per month is required to meet the expenditure from the plan grants.

The Board of Management discussed the above item and approved to fix emoluments for Assistant Medical Officer (Contractual service) as Rs. 40,000/- and also approved Rs. 14,000 as the monthly remuneration for staff nurse. This will be effective prospectively from the date of approval of the minutes of the Board meeting.

(Action: Registrar and DSW).

<u>Table agenda item No. 1:</u> Establishing Micronutrients analysis facility at KVK, Mudigere, Chikmagalur District.

KVK, Mudigere, Chikmagalur District having soil testing laboratory with facilities to analyze soil, water and plant / manure samples for parameters like pH, electrical conductivity, organic carbon, available nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, sulphur and exchangeable calcium and magnesium. But, micronutrients like zinc, copper, manganese and iron are also essential for plants and needs to be analyzed. Micronutrient analysis facility does not exist in any of these KVK's and research station in the University. Hence, there is a need to establish micronutrient analysis facility to meet the needs of the farmers of the particular districts. An amount of Rs.70 lakhs has been sanctioned for 2015-16 (Rs.35 lakhs each released as Ist and IInd installments), Rs.30 lakhs has been released as Ist installment for 2016-17 will be utilized towards the purchase of **Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer** (**Around 14.20 lakhs**) under soil health mission programme of NMSA (National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture) for 2017-18 in UAHS, Shivamogga. Hence, it is proposed to purchase Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer (1 No) under the said grants. Provision has been made under soil health mission programme of NMSA (National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture) for 2017-18. The financial involvement is for Rs. 14.20 lakhs.

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The item was approved by the Board of Management.

(Action: Director of Extension)

Table agenda item No. 2: Strengthening of soil testing laboratories at KVK, Shivamogga, KVK, Mudigere, KVK, Brahmavara, KVK, Hiriyur and College of Forestry, Ponnampet.

Soil testing laboratories at KVK, Shivamogga, KVK, Mudigere, KVK, Brahmavara, KVK, Hiriyur and College of Forestry, Ponnampet are having soil testing laboratories with facilities to analyze soil, water and plant / manure samples for parameters like pH, electrical conductivity, organic carbon, available nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, sulphur and exchangeable calcium and magnesium and micronutrients like zinc, copper, manganese and iron. These laboratories required Nitrogen distillation apparatus to rapidly analyse nitrogen status in soils and this facility will help these KVK's and College in the University to meet the needs of the farmers and the state Department of Agriculture. Hence, there is a need to strengthen the nitrogen analysis facility in these soil testing laboratories in particular districts. An amount of Rs.70 lakhs has been sanctioned for 2015-16 (Rs.35 lakhs each released as Ist and IInd installments), Rs.30 lakhs has been released as Ist installment for 2016be utilized for strengthening of soil testing laboratories 2017-18 towards the purchase of Nitrogen distillation apparatus (Around Rs. 3.00 lakhs each amounting to approx Rs.15 lakhs) under soil health mission programme of NMSA (National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture) for 2017-18 in UAHS, Shivamogga. Hence it is proposed to purchase Nitrogen distillation apparatus (5 No) under the said grants. Provision has been made under soil health mission programme of NMSA (National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture) for 2017-18. The financial involvement is for Rs. 15.00 lakhs.

The Board approved the item.

(Action: Director of Extension)

Table agenda item No. 3: To enhance the honorarium and allowances to students/coaches/officials participating in various Sports and Cultural activities of the university.

The university is paying the honorarium and other allowances students/coaches/officials as per the old notification of University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore. Recently the UAS, Bangalore has revised the honorarium/allowances vide UAS, Bangalore order No.C/S-TV/6318/2014-15 dated 26.02.2015 to facilitate students/coaches/officials for better performance and also to value the time spent by coaches/officials in a befitting manner. This was discussed in the Sports and Cultural meet conducted on 17.03.2016 and the same has been approved to pay the honorarium/allowances to the students/coaches/officials participating in the university, interuniversity sports and cultural events. Hence, the proposal. To improve the efficiency of students and also to provide them good food and other facilities during the Sports and Cultural events and also to value the time spent by coaches/officials suitably. Budget provision is made in the plan grants of 2017-18 to meet out the requirements. The financial requirement will be met out of the budget provided for the year 2017-18 without any additional budget.

The item was deliberated and it was approved

(Action: Registrar and DSW)

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Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the Board of Management University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 19-06-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka

Members Present

1.	Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Vice-Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga	Chairman
2.	Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture	Member
3.	The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GoK	Member
4.	The Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, GoK	Member
5.	Dr. S. Bhaskar, Assistant Director General (AFF & CC), New Delhi	Member
6.	Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga	Member
7.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga	Member Secretary

At the outset, Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Chairman of the Board, UAHS, Shivamogga welcomed all the Members to the 20th Meeting of Board of Management and conducted the meeting. Following is the Action Taken Report of the 19th meeting of BOM held on 12-05-2017.

PART - 'A'

The Vice Chancellor and Chairman requested the Registrar to readout the ATR of 19th meeting of BOM and also requested the Hon'ble members to confirm the ATR. The Registrar presented all the action taken reports and all of them were approved, except for the item No. 3 of the 18th Board of Management Meeting which is as follows:

Implementation of Employee Provident Fund Facility to Contract Workers at University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka has issued instructions vide ref No. LD16 LWA 2016 dated: 08-12-2016 regarding extension of Social Security Benefit under EPF and MF Act, 1952 to the Construction and Contract Work employees engaged by them or through contactor by the State Government Departments and undertaking Municipalities are required to be covered under the Provision of EPF Act. Earlier this Scheme has been implemented to the regular employees only. Now, the Government is stressing to implement the EPF Scheme to all the Contractual Workers, working in the respective institutions. As per the directions of the Government, this University has to deduct 12 % of the amount from the every Contractual Worker from his salary every month. Similarly, equal portion of contribution (12%) has to be paid by the University. Hence, as per the direction of the Government the University is wishing to extend this benefit to around 362 persons who are working in the University as contractual workers. The proposal is put up with necessary documents for kind consideration and approval from the Board of Management to implement the EPF Facility to Contractual Workers in the University.

As per the directions of the Government, the University has to extend the benefits of EPF Schemes to all the Contractual workers by deducting 12% of amount from their salary and adding equal share of contribution (12%) from the University to the every worker. Additionally Rs.34,96,370/- is required to implement the EPF Scheme for Contractual Workers.

The item was discussed thoroughly by the Board and felt that EPF facility must be extended. It was suggested to bring the item to the next Board after taking a legal opinion on the issue (Decision of 19th Board of Management meeting).

The Board suggested to place this item in the next Board of Management with relevant details and legal opinion (Decision of 20th Board of Management meeting).

(Action: Registrar)

PART-'B'

Agenda items for 20th Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary, and the following decisions were arrived at.

Items

<u>Item No. 1:</u> Approval of the selections of Dean (Hort.), College of Horticulture, Mudigere and Dean (Forestry), College of Forestry, Ponnampet.

This Office had floated the Notifications for recruitment of Dean (Hort.), College of Horticulture, Mudigere and Dean (Forestry) College of Forestry, Ponnampet Vide Notification No: UAHS,(S)R/RT/Officers Post /71/2016-17, dated: 12-04-2017 and UAHS(S)/R/Rectt./Dean (Forestry.) Post/33/2017-18 dated: 06-04-2017. Now, the process of selection of above said posts was carried out and subsequently interviews were conducted by the Committee of External Experts. The Expert Committee has prepared the panel according to the merit and in accordance with the statutes. The finalized reports are signed and sealed in envelopes which are to be opened on the floor of the Board of Management Meeting for approval.

The Board is of the opinion that the university is experiencing the shortage of hands for teaching, research and extension. Further, the interviews were conducted on 24/05/17 much before the Vice Chancellor sent his resignation and hence the Board approved to issue the orders to the selected candidates who are as follows.

- 1. Dr. Hanumanthappa. M, Dean (Horticulture), College of Horticulture, Mudigere.
- 2. Dr. Kushalappa, C.G., Dean (Forestry), College of Forestry, Ponnampet.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 2: Enhancement of emoluments for contract workers in UAHS, Shivamogga Presently, 285 contract workers in 'C' and 'D' Groups are working in the UAHS, Shivamogga and getting less than the basic salary. Now, the contract workers of UAHS, Shivamogga are requesting for 100% of basic pay. The basic pay and present emoluments for contract workers in various cadres in UAHS, Shivamogga is as fallows.

SI.	Cadre wise	No. of	Actual	Existing	Proposed
No.		contract	Basic pay	Emoluments	Emoluments
		workers			(95% of
					Basic Pay)
1	Junior Engineer	15	20,000/-	17,500/-	19000/-
2	Assistants	85	16,000/-	14,000/-	15200/-
3	Field Assistant/	65	16,000/-	14,000/-	15200/-
	Lab Assistant				
4	Typist	15	14,550/-	12,730/-	13823/-
5	Tractor Drivers	20	14,550/-	12,730/-	13823/-
6	Shelf Assistant	05	12,500/-	10,940/-	11875/-
7	Junior Technician	10	11,600/-	10,150/-	11020/-
8	LV Drivers/	30	11,600/-	10,150/-	11020/-
	Cook cum care taker				
10	Messenger/	40	9,600/-	8,400/-	9120/-
	Watchman/				
	Gardner/				
	Plumber/				
	Helper				

This item was placed before Board of Management to increase the wages due to the enhanced cost of living. There will be an additional financial involvement of Rs. 3,09,030 per month.

The Board after detailed discussion deferred the item and suggested the University to represent to the government to get the clarification for fixing the minimum wages for the non-skilled, skilled and highly skilled workers according to the labour act.

(Action: Registrar)

<u>Item No. 3:</u> Fixation of emoluments for 18 'D' group employees under 'C' group in the University as per the orders of Government of Karnataka.

The Government of Karnataka has issued the orders for 46 DRE employees of the University stating that 28 members are under 'D' group and 18 members are under 'C' group. However, it is also clear from the order that 18 members actually belong to 'C' group. The Government in it's recent notification has indicated to implement the benefits of 'C' group although it has been notified as 'D' group in column No. 8. The financial benefits need to be given from 03-08-2015. To implement the orders of the Government to extend the benefits of 'C' group employees which is quoted as group 'D' in column 9, but are eligible to get the benefit of 'C' group (18 members). The total financial involvement to extend the benefits to 18 'C' group employees works out to Rs. 2,86,550 per month. The arrears need to be paid is around Rs. 23,88,750/-.

The Board went through the details critically and approved to fix the emoluments of group-C to 18 members of 'D' group employees to 'C' group as per the Government order. The benefit are to be extended from the date of Board meeting prospectively.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 4: Proposal for extending the benefit of Advance increments / Incentives to Scientists possessing Ph.D. / M. Phil. upon implementation of 2006 UGC / ICAR revised pay scale to Teachers / Librarians and other equivalent cadres in UAHS, Shivamogga.

The 2006 UGC / ICAR guidelines for extension of the benefits of advanced increments / incentives for possessing Ph.D. / M.Phil. has been finalised. It is clearly stated that for direct recruitment to Associate Professor, Ph.D. is a minimum requirement and hence the candidates not eligible for getting 3 non compoundable increments. However, under CAS an Assistant Professor candidate with 12 years of experience is eligible for promotion as Associate Professors without Ph.D. Now, as per the UAS, Bengaluru order the candidates after selection as Associate Professors obtained their Ph. D/ M.Phil. degrees are eligible for 3 Non Compoundable increments. The issue needs clarification and hence the proposal.

The Board discussed about the issue in detail and deferred the item temporarily. The Board also suggested to the Hon'ble Secretary (Agri.) to have discussion with all the Universities to finalize for uniform implementation of the benefit to all eligible teachers of all the universities.

(Action: Registrar)

<u>Table item No. 5:</u> Enhancement of Honorarium to the Hon'ble Members of the Board of Management of UAHS, Shivamogga.

For the Hon'ble Members of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga the existing sitting charge is Rs. 2,000/-. As per the Government Order ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಸಾಉಇ 21 ఎంఇఎ 2017, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 17ನೇ ಏಪ್ರಿಲ್, 2017, there is a necessity to increase the sitting fee to Rs. 3,000/-. Hence the proposal.

The item was approved.

(Action: Registrar)

<u>Table item No. 6:</u> Resignation of Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga.

Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga has been selected as the Vice Chancellor for National Institute of Food Technology Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM), Haryana. Consequent to his appointment he has resigned to the post of Vice Chancellor at UAHS, Shivamogga and submitted the letter to His Excellency the Governor of Karnataka (12-06-2017), for accepting his resignation on 1st July, 2017 afternoon. This is for the information of the Board of Management.

The Board noted and appreciated the valuable services and placed on record the service rendered by Dr. C.Vasudevappa, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for his yomen service in shaping UAHS and providing excellent leadership for alround development of the University. The University is benefited a lot through reforms made in education, research and extension with required civil and infrastructure. It is commendable that the University received 8 AICRP projects during his tenure. The micro-irrigation system was well established in all research stations and the farm receipts in the farms have been doubled with the intervention of new cropping systems and technologies. Many farmer orientated technologies were released. Three mega Krishimelas were organized. Many problems related to teachers, supporting staff and labourers were resolved. During his tenure, land for main campus was acquired and registered and also the foundation stone was laid for the development of new University campus at

Iruvakki.

(Action: Registrar)

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Under these circumstances, further extension of deputation period of Sri. Gopi Krishna has became inevitable. Hence, it is requested to extend the deputation period upto March, 2018. Hence, the proposal.

The Board supported the view to continue the services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, Executive Engineer and also suggested the University to write a letter to the Government to get an official order for retaining his services until March, 2018.

(Action: Registrar)

<u>Table item No. 8:</u> Release of First installment to KHB for the development of civil structures at Iruvakki - the New Campus.

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The Board after a detailed discussion approved to release Rs. 20.00 crores to the Housing Board and also advised the University to send a request for the release of additional Rs. 60.00 crores which is required to meet 50% advance of the project cost as requested by the Karnataka Housing Board.

(Action: Registrar & Comptroller)

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The Board approved the item for tendering.

(Action: Estate Officer)

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Minutes of the 21st Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 11-08-2017 at Meeting Hall of the Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga.

Members Present

1.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga	Chairman
2.	The Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, GoK	Member
3.	The Deputy Secretary, Finance Department, GoK	Member
4.	Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga	Member
5.	Sri. Kimmane Rathnakar	Member
6.	Prof. Dr. V. Veerabhadraiah	Member
7.	Mrs. Neethu Y. Patil	Member
8.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga	Member Secretary

Members Absent

Dr. S. Bhaskar, Assistant Director General (AFF and CC), Member New Delhi

At the outset, Dr. P. Narayanswamy, Chairman and Member Secretary of the Board, UAHS, Shivamogga extended a warm welcome to all the Members to the 21st Meeting of Board of Management and conducted the meeting.

PART-'A'

Action taken Report on the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga held on 25-03-2017, at Office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Karnataka.

Items

Item No.3

Implementation of Employee Provident Fund Facility to Contract Workers at University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka has issued instructions vide ref No. LD16 LWA 2016 dated:08-12-2016 regarding extension of Social Security Benefit under EPF and MF Act, 1952 to the Construction and Contract Work employees engaged by them or through contactor by the State Government Departments and undertaking Municipalities are required to be covered under the Provision of EPF Act. Earlier this Scheme has been implemented to the regular employees only. Now, the Government is stressing to implement the EPF Scheme to all the Contractual Workers, working in the respective institutions. As per the directions of the Government, this University has to deduct 12 % of the amount from the every Contractual Worker from his salary every month. Similarly, equal portion of contribution (12%) has to be paid by the University. Hence, as per the direction of the Government the University is wishing to extend this benefit to around 362 persons who are working in the University as contractual workers. The proposal is put up with necessary documents for kind consideration and approval from the Board of Management to implement the EPF Facility to Contractual Workers in the University.

As per the directions of the Government, the University has to extend the benefits of EPF Schemes to all the Contractual workers by deducting 12% of amount from their salary and adding equal share of contribution (12%) from the University to the every worker

The item was discussed thoroughly by the Board and felt that EPF facility must be extended. It was suggested to bring the item to the next Board after taking a legal opinion on the issue (Decision of 19th and 20th Board of Management meetings).

The Board approved the item. It advised to prepare a list of existing contractual workers with qualifications and experience along with the procedure adopted while engaging. Further, suggested to develop a proper system to engage retired persons for contractual purpose.

(Action: Registrar)

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the Board of Management, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 19-06-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka.

Items

Item No. 2: Enhancement of emoluments for contract workers in UAHS, Shivamogga

Presently, 285 contract workers in 'C' and 'D' Groups are working in the UAHS, Shivamogga as getting less than the basic salary. Now, the contract workers of UAHS, Shivamogga are requesting for 100% of basic pay. The basic pay and present emoluments for contract workers in various cadres in UAHS, Shivamogga are as fallows.

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1	Junior Engineer	15	20,000/-	17,500/-	19000/-
2	Assistants	85	16.000/-	14,000/-	15200/-
3	Field Assistant/	6.5	16.000/-	14,000/-	15200/-
	Lab Assistant				
4	Typist	15	14,550/-	12,73,0/-	13823/-
5	Tractor Drivers	2()	14,550/-	12,730/-	13823/-
6	Shelf Assistant	0.5	12.500/-	10,940/-	11875/-
7	Junior	1()	11.600/-	10.150/-	11020/-
	Technician				
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This item was placed before Board of Management to increase the wages due to the enhanced cost of living. There will be an additional financial involvement of Rs. 3,09,030 per month.

The Board after detailed discussion deferred the item and suggested the University to represent to the government to get the clarification for fixing the minimum wages for the non-skilled, skilled and highly skilled workers according to the labour act (Decision of 20th Board of Management meeting).

The item was approved after the detailed discussion and as per the legal notification the minimum wages of Messenger/ Watchman/Gardner/ Plumber/ Helper are to be fixed at Rs. 10000=00 per month.

Proposal for extending the benefit of Advance increments / Incentives to Scientists possessing Ph.D. / M. Phil. upon implementation of 2006 UGC / ICAR revised pay scale to Teachers / Librarians and other equivalent cadres in UAHS, Shivamogga.

The 2006 UGC / ICAR guidelines for extension of the benefits of advanced increments / Incentives for possessing Ph.D. / M.Phil. has been finalised. It is clearly stated that for direct recruitment to Associate Professor, Ph.D. is a minimum requirement and hence the candidates not eligible for getting 3 non compoundable increments. However, under CAS an Assistant Professor candidate with 12 years of experience is eligible for promotion as Associate Professors without Ph.D. Now, as per the UAS, Bengaluru order the candidates after selection as Associate Professors obtained their Ph. D/ M.Phil. degrees are eligible for 3 Non Compoundable increments. The issue needs clarification and hence the proposal.

The Board discussed about the issue in detail and deferred the item temporarily. The Board also suggested to the Hon'ble Secretary (Agri.) to have discussion with all the Universities to finalize for uniform implementation of the benefit to all eligible teachers of all the Farm Universities (Decision of 20th Board of Management meeting).

After discussing the issue in detail, the Secretary to the Government agreed to notify uniform criteria to implement the Ph. D. increments for CAS promoted teachers of all the Farm Universities in common.

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Under these circumstances, further extension of deputation period of Sri. Gopi Krishna has became inevitable. Hence, it is requested to extend the deputation period upto March, 2018. Hence, the proposal.

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The Board asked the University to verify the documents related to continue/relief of Mr. Gopikrishna and to present in the next meeting.

(Action: Registrar)

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The Board approved the item and also advised to get the environmental clearance for construction of buildings and development of lands. Also suggested to have the barbed wire fence followed by a trench and transplanting of trees on both sides of the peripheral road. In addition, the efforts may be made to shift the big trees which are available to the convenient site. The planted and transplanted plants may be given good care. These works may be executed in association with state Department of Forest.

(Action: Director of Research and CSO)

TABLE AGENDA

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The Board suggested to estimate the value of power consumed in sewage water treatment I fixing a meter and also to find out the mechanisms for best utilization of sludge.

The Board asked the University to verify the documents related to continued relief

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(Action: Estate Officer)

PART- 'B'

Agenda items for 21st Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary, and the following decisions were arrived at.

Items

Item No. 1

Composition of Selection Committee for direct recruitment of Officers Posts in University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

After formation of the UAHS, Shivamogga, this University has adopted qualifications and Score Card of Officers Posts on par with parent University UAS, Bengaluru for filling up of the Officers Posts. Accordingly, this University has advertised Officers Posts to fill up by direct recruitment. Now, the His Excellency the Governor has given permission to fill up the officers posts vide letter No. \$\frac{13}{2} \frac{13}{2} \frac{13}{

- 1. Chairperson of the Board of Management.
- 2. One member of the Board of Management to be nominated by the Chairperson.
- 3. Two nominees of the Vice Chancellor, out of whom one should be an expert.
- 4. Three experts consisting of the Dean of a College a Professor and an accomplished educationist not below the rank of Professor (to be nominated by the Board of Management out of a panel of experts approved by the Vice Chancellor). At least Four Members, including two experts should constitute the quorum.

The Board approved the item.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 2

Establishment of Main Agricultural and Horticultural Research Station at Iruvakki, Shivamogga

The Government of Karnataka has allotted 777.07 acres of land to UAHS. Shivamogga for establishing Main campus at Iruvakki. Subsequently, the Foundation stone for the UAHS main campus was laid on 17.06.2017 by the Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture. The works related to the establishment of Head Quarters for Education. Research and Extension Directorates, students hostels, staff quarters, hospital, bank, canteen, playground, auditorium, power house, stationery shop, different departments, stadium, class rooms, research farms, library, guest house, etc. are being planned for construction in a phased manner. However, it is going to be the main campus, a research station with facilities for research farm comprising crop production activities for students and staffs, biodiversity block, conservation block, nursery unit for planting material production, seed farm, biofuel park, agro-forestry unit, fodder block, herbal garden, etc. are going to be housed in the Research Station which may be rechristened as "Main Agricultural and Horticultural Research Station". Iruvakki, Shivamogga. Accordingly, the University has approved the redeployment of staff to the Main campus to undertake the proposed activities.

The Board approved the item.

(Action: Registrar and Director of Research)

Providing part time studentship facility for Technical staffs appointed under T4 Series for Higher studies.

In 182nd Academic Council Meeting of UAS. GKVK. Bangalore held on 20/08/2016 has taken decision for providing study leave/studentship part time facility for Technical staff appointed under T-4 series for higher education. Technical staffs working under T-4 of UAIIS. Shivamogga also need deputation encouragement for higher studies. In this context, the guidelines are prepared by referring the guidelines of UAS, Bangalore. The proposal has been approved by 14th Academic Council meeting held on 05-08-2017.

The Board after detailed discussion approved the item.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 4

Modification of the existing guidelines for sponsoring teachers for attending National and International Conference/ Seminar/ Symposium, etc. within and outside the country.

There is a need to change the existing guidelines for sponsoring teachers for National Symposium, Summer School, Winter School, *etc.* The list of the proposed changes by the Committee constituted to look into this matter are enclosed. The proposal was approved by the 14th Academic Council meeting held on 05-08-2017.

The Board after the critical evaluation, approved the item and suggested eligible candidates to book the air ticket by cheapest airline as for as possible.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 5

Sponsoring Mr. Nataraj, S.K., Asst. Professor of FLA, COH, Mudigere to attend International Short Course on "Lost harvest and Water food" at Wageningen University, Netherlands from 11/09/2017.

Mr. Nataraj, S.K., Asst. Professor of FLA, COH, Mudigere has submitted a proposal to attend. International Short Course on "Lost harvest and Water food" at Wageningen University. Netherlands from 11/09/2017 and has requested the University to accord sanction for Rs. 4,40,000=00 to meet the expenditure on course fee, travelling, boarding and lodging charges.

The Board critically discussed in detail on the subject and approved for payment of 50, per cent of the amount requested by the applicant (Rs. 2, 20,000).

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 6

Admissions to UG and PG degree programmes under NRI quota for the academic year 2017-18 and fixing of institutional infrastructure fees for the admitting candidates – Ratification

A notification inviting applications for admission to UG and PG degree programmes under NRI quota were issued vide No. UAHS(S)/R/UG/NRI/763/2017-18 dated 21-06-2017 and R/UAHS/NRI quota/913/2017-18 dated 29-06-2017, respectively in four colleges for UG degree (11 seats for CoA, Shivamooga, 6 seats for CoH, Mudigere, 7 seats for CoH, Hiriyur and 6 seats for CoF, Ponnampet), and in five departments for Ph.D. degree programmes and six subjects in M.Sc. (Agri.), six subjects in M.Sc. (Hort.) and two subjects in M.Sc. (Forestry). The qualification prescribed is as per the prevailing regulations of the University. Ten per cent of the seats are reserved over and above the intake of each degree programme of respective college for UG. M.Sc. and Ph.D. degreee in Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry programmes on inter-se merit with a maximum of one seat per Department for NRI candidates.

The candidates admitted to UG degree shall have to pay 5,000 US dollars as Institutional Economic Fee per annum along with the regular Semester fee prescribed by the University

8,000 US dollars for Ph.D. degree programmes along with regular Semester fee through DD drawn in favor of the Comptroller, UAHS, Shivamogga. The admission notifications of both UG and PG programmes are enclosed herewith. The proposal was approved by 14th Academic council meeting held on 05-08-2017.

The Board approved the item as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 7

Honorarium to the teachers and supporting staffs, accommodation and incidental charges for the students during the PG study tour - Ratification

Study tour has been introduced for students admitted to different PG courses from the academic year 2016-17 as part of the course curriculum during the Semester break. Since the tour had to be conducted urgently, a notification was issued regarding honorarium to the teachers and supporting staff and accommodation and incidental charges to the PG students during the tour vide notification No. UAHS(S)/R/Study tour/PG/2933/2016-17 dated 13-01-2017 by the Registrar. The expenditure is met under the budget provided for the year for PG study tour. The proposal was approved in the 14th Academic Council meeting held on 05-08-2017.

The Board ratified the subject.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 8

Proposal on enhancing the honorarium of UG and PG scrutinizers.

Honorarium to the scrutinizers for cross checking the entry of grades in the registration cards with grade reports, scrutiny of Semester cards, final OGPA of the students and draft result notifications were paid @ Rs. 400/- per scrutinizer per year. The scrutinizers for PG records verification are to be nominated additionally since the existing system was implemented before starting of M.Sc. and Ph.D. programmes and now the workload has increased. It is proposed to nominate two scrutinizers for CoA, Shivamogga, one for CoH, Mudigere and one for CoF, Ponnampet where the PG degree programmes are offered. Since the remuneration now paid is very meager, it is necessary to enhance the remuneration to Rs. 1,000/- per scrutinizer for an academic year. Similarly, remuneration for the existing eight UG scrutinizers has to be enhanced from the existing Rs. 400/- to Rs. 1,000/- for each scrutinizer for an academic year. The expenditure on this account may be debited in the budget provided for the constituent Colleges of the University. The proposal was approved by 14th Academic Council meeting held on 05-08-2017.

The Board approved the item as put up in the agenda after a detailed discussion.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 9

Enhancement of honorarium to the teachers and supporting staff, and DA/Accommodation and Incidental Charges to the UG Students during Study tour – Ratification

Enhancement of honorarium to the teachers and supporting staff has to be made for those who accompany the UG students during their 21 days' All India Study tour. DA / Accommodation and Incidental charges for the UG students who proceed for the above tour has also to be enhanced due to the increase in food expenses and incidental charges to be incurred during their tour. Considering the raise of amount in other Agricultural Universities, there is a need to enhance the honorarium for Teachers and supporting staff. DA/Accommodation and Incidental charges for students in this University also. The proposal was approved by 14th Academic Council meeting held on 05-08-2017.

The Board after detailed discussion ratified the action taken by the University.

(Action: Registrar)

Fixing of Honorarium to the External Experts for University activities -Ratification

The honorarium of Rs. 2000/- (Two Thousand Only) has been paid for the external experts for having scrutinized the recruitment applications of the officers and teachers in the University as sitting charges. Similarly, Rs.2000 as sitting charges is being paid for expert members of Boards of studies and Academic Council. This process will continue in future also. The honorarium / remuneration of Rs. 5000/- (Five Thousand Only) has also been paid to the Peer Review Committee and University Review Committee members as sitting fee for accreditation of the University. The proposal was approved in 14th Academic Council meeting held on 05-08-2017.

The Board after detailed discussion ratified the action taken by the University as indicated in the agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 11

Certificate of Merit for externally funded projects

Extramural research fund is one of the basic ingredients of University Research and Developmental activities. The Universities are always rated for the quality research based on the number of research projects funded by other agencies. There is a need to encourage and motivate the researchers of UAHS for obtaining externally funded research projects by providing some incentives to the concerned scientists. This has been in practice in several of the Farm Universities such as UAS, Bengaluru, UAS, Dharwad and UAS, Raichur of the state. In this connection, the scientists of our University have also represented requesting to consider their appeal for such rewards. Therefore, it is proposed to initiate awarding the Certificate of Merit to the University researchers also by evolving suitable guidelines, score card and application proforma.

The Board approved the item after going through the item critically as per the agenda.

(Action: Director of Research)

Item No. 12

Strengthening of Soil Testing Laboratories at AHRS, Kathalagere, KVK, Shivamogga, KVK, Hiriyur and KVK, Mudigere and establishment of Referral Laboratory at ZAHRS, Shivamogga.

Soil Testing Laboratories at AHRS, Kathalagere, KVK, Shivamogga, KVK, Hiriyur and KVK, Mudigere are having Soil Testing Laboratories with facilities to analyze soil, water and plant / manure samples.

These laboratories require Digital Spectrophotometer for accurate analysis of phosphorus, sulphur, boron and molybdenum status in soils, plants and water which will help these KVK's and research stations in the University to meet the needs of the farmers and State Department of Agriculture. Hence, there is a need to strengthen Soil Testing Laboratories in Davanagere, Shivamogga, Chitradurga and Chikmagaluru districts under UAHS, Shivamogga.

Further, the analytical results are to be cross-checked hence high end precise digital spectrophotometer is required for the Referral Laboratory at ZAHRS. Shivamogga. For this purpose, a grant of Rs.121.25 lakhs has been sanctioned for strengthening of Soil Testing laboratories and establishment of Referral Laboratory at UAHS. Shivamogga under Soil Health Mission programme of NMSA (National Mission on Sustainable Agriculture).

The Board while approving the item observed that the farmers of the area should be benefited by the results of the soil test.

(Action: Comptroller)

Estimate to Provide HT Power Supply with Metering cubical with HT External and LT internal distribution to AHRS Kathalagere.

The UAHS Shivamogga has the AHRS, Kathalagere in its jurisdiction. The Station is well developed with Seed Processing plant, Seed Godown, NARP Laboratory, Seminar Hall, Boys and Girls Hostel at Diploma College, Staff Quarters, *etc* in the station. To solve the problems of power for conducting research and teaching, the Station needs the HT Power Supply as per the MESCOM norms.

The Board, after detailed discussion approved the item as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 14

Providing Barbed wire Fencing with RCC poles for newly acquired land Survey No. 65 and 66 (80 acres) II Phase at the main campus Iruvakki, Anandapura, Sagar Taluk.

The Government of Karnataka has provided 777.07 acres of New land at Iruvakki, Sagara Taluk for formation and development of Main campus of the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences Shivamogga. The acquired land has been surveyed and boundary stones have been fixed. Further it is necessary to have clear demarcation of the boundary line for executing the developmental works and to protect the land.

The Board approved requested budget of Rs. 36 lakhs for this purpose. The Board had a discussion on this subject, Sri Kimmane Ratnakar, Hon'ble Member of Board, suggested, instead of RCC poles, the granite poles may be used. For a proper protection a trench of suitable dimensions should be opened outside the barbed wire fencing. Further, a peripheral road has to be constructed inside the barbed wire fencing. A revised estimate may be prepared based on the suggestions made by the Board.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 15

Modification to the guidelines of Best Researcher Award and Best Farm Superintendent Award at UAHS, Shivamogga

Since last year the UAHS, Shivamogga has implemented the "Best Researcher Award" and "Best Farm Superintendent Award" to its faculty in order to give recognition and to motivate the other scientists as practiced in other Farm Universities of the state. The same was approved in the 6th Meeting of the Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga. Based on the suggestions and comments from the previous Award Committee members and the Teachers Association, it was felt essential to modify the guidelines and the score cards. Accordingly, the modified guidelines and score card for Best Researcher and Best Farm Superintendent Awards are developed and proposed for adopting in UAHS, Shivamogga.

The Board deferred the item and asked to rework on the issue to give more weightage and focus on research rather than the teaching and extension aspects with respect to Best Researcher. Similarly Board observed that more emphasis has to be given to the Farm management and income generation of the farm in the case of Best Farm Superintendent.

(Action: Director of Research)

Table Agenda Item No. 1

Payment of Rental Charges for the Temporary office established at DE's office Hebbal for UAHS Shivamogga.

Since inception of the UAHS Shivamogga has established a temporary office with oral understanding for a floor space of 800 sqft DE's Office's. Hebbal Bangalore.

The Board after the detailed discussion approved for payment of Rs. 10000=00 per

Table Agenda Item No. 2

Construction of Breeding cage at College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga.

The Department of Genetics and Plant Breeding has requested for the construction of breeding cage of 220 sqm plinth area under RKVY Project for the Study and Research for crop improvement of miscellaneous vegetables like Brinjal and Tomato.

The Board approved the item as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Estate Officer)
Table Agenda Item No. 3

To facilitate speedy completion of civil / developmental works of research projects at Research Stations / Colleges of UAHS, Shivamogga

Many of the research projects sanctioned and operated under Research/Extension and Education wings of UAHS. Shivamogga are of infrastructural and developmental types, which have to be compléted within a stipulated period for achieving the objectives of the research projects. However, due to lack of manpower in the Estate Branch these works are being delayed inordinately and hence it has become very difficult to achieve the required physical and financial targets of the research projects within time. This point was also brought to the notice of the Chairman and Hon'ble Vice Chancellor during the budget meeting held on 28.07.2017 where in it was decided to permit the respective Station Heads/Farm Superintendents/ Principal Investigators to carry out the essential civil/developmental works upto to ₹1.00 lakh by obtaining prior permission and financial sanction of the University Authorities following UAHS procedure. This has been in practice at UAS. Bengaluru since long time particularly for the six items mentioned below.

- 1. Purchase of fencing materials, laying and fixing
- 2. Digging and commissioning of borewels
- 3. Repair to threshing yard
- 4. Farm pond, water storage, field bunding, land levelling and other irrigation works
- 5. Clearance of shrubs, field layout, opening of pits for planting and any such works
- 6. Repairs and maintenance to buildings.

The Board approved the item up to Rs. One Lakh only as per the KTTP act. The works have to be supervised for the quality under the Local Supervising Committee comprising Head of the Station, Farm Superintendent, Engineer and an Accounts person.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Other issues discussed

- 1. The secretary was requested to get the permission of the Government to complete the recruitment process by the In-charge Vice Chancellor through the committees formulated as provided in the statutes. The Secretary informed the Board that he will look into the matter also would seek legal opinion.
- 2. Mrs. Neethu Patil. Hon'ble Member of the Board raised the issue of sending back Mr. Gopikrishna. Estate Officer to UAS. Bangalore. The Vice Chancellor informed the Board that Government of Karnataka has permitted to retain the services of Gopikrishna at UAHS. Shivamogga till March. 2018.
- 3. Mrs. Neethu Patil. Hon ble Member of the Board, brought to the notice of the Board about a written complaint made against Gopikrishna. Estate Officer. The Board suggested to the Vice Chancellor to look into this as well as any other complaints made against him and to initiate necessary action.

Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 28-11-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, Government of Karnataka, M.S. Building, Bengaluru.

Members Present

1.		Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga	Chairman
2.	,	The Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, GoK	Member
3.		The Additional Secretary, Smt. Padmavathi, Finance	Member
		Department, GoK	
4.		Dr. S. Bhaskar, Assistant Director General (AFF & CC)	Member
5.		Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga	Member
6.		Prof. Dr. V. Veerabhadraiah	Member
7.		Mrs. Neethu Y. Patil	Member
8.		Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga	Member Secretary

Members Absent

1	Sri. Kimmane Rathnakar	Member
2.	The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GoK	Member

PART-'A'

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 25-03-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka.

Items

Item No.3

Implementation of Employee Provident Fund Facility to Contract Workers at University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka has issued instructions vide ref No. LD16 LWA 2016 dated:08-12-2016 regarding extension of Social Security Bene fit under EPF and MF Act, 1952 to the Construction and Contract Work employees engaged by them or through contactor by the State Government Departments and undertaking Municipalities are required to be covered under the Provision of EPF Act. Earlier this Scheme has been implemented to the regular employees only. Now, the Government is stressing to implement the EPF Scheme to all the Contractual Workers, working in the respective institutions. As per the directions of the Government, this University has to deduct 12 % of the amount from the every Contractual Worker from his salary every month. Similarly, equal portion of contribution (12%) has to be paid by the University. Hence, as per the direction of the Government the University is wishing to extend this benefit to around 362 persons who are working in the University as contractual workers. The proposal is put up with necessary documents for kind consideration and approval from the Board of Management to implement the EPF Facility to Contractual Workers in the University.

As per the directions of the Government, the University has to extend the benefits of EPF Schemes to all the Contractual workers by deducting 12% of amount from their salary and adding equal share of contribution (12%) from the University to the every worker.

Additionally Rs 34 96 370/- is required to implement the EPF Scheme for Contractual

The item was discussed thoroughly by the Board and felt that EPF facility must be extended. It was suggested to bring the item to the next Board after taking a legal opinion on the issue (Decision of 19th and 20th Board of Management meetings).

The Board approved the item. It advised to prepare a list of existing contractual workers with qualifications and experience along with the procedure adopted while engaging. Further, suggested to develop a proper system to engage retired persons for contractual purpose (Decision of the 21st Board of Management meeting).

The Board approved the item, however suggested to get the clarification from the Government to engage the retired persons.

(Action: Registrar)

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the Board of Management University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 19-06-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka.

Item No. 4

Proposal for extending the benefit of Advance increments / Incentives to Scientists possessing Ph.D. / M. Phil. upon implementation of 2006 UGC / ICAR revised pay scale to Teachers / Librarians and other equivalent cadres in UAHS, Shivamogga.

The 2006 UGC / ICAR guidelines for extension of the benefits of advanced increments / Incentives for possessing Ph.D. / M.Phil. has been finalised. It is clearly stated that for direct recruitment to Associate Professor, Ph.D. is a minimum requirement and hence the candidates not eligible for getting 3 non compoundable increments. However, under CAS an Assistant Professor candidate with 12 years of experience is eligible for promotion as Associate Professors without Ph.D. Now, as per the UAS, Bengaluru order the candidates after selection as Associate Professors obtained their Ph. D/ M.Phil. degrees are eligible for 3 Non Compoundable increments. The issue needs clarification and hence the proposal.

The Board discussed about the issue in detail and deferred the item temporarily. The Board also suggested to the Hon'ble Secretary (Agri.) to have discussion with all the Universities to finalize for uniform implementation of the benefit to all eligible teachers of all the Farm Universities (Decision of 20th Board of Management meeting).

After discussing the issue in detail, the Secretary to the Government agreed to notify uniform criteria to implement the Ph. D. increments for CAS promoted teachers of all the Farm Universities in common (Decision of the 21st Board of Management meeting).

The Board after thorough disusion on the issue approved the item to extend the advance increments to Ph. D. holders under CAS as per the agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 7

Continuation / relief of services of Mr. Gopikrishna, Executive Engineer, who is on deputation from University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru to UAHS, Shivamogga

The Services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, Executive Engineer, Estate Branch, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore, was spared to our newly formed University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, on deputation, as there was severe dearth of experienced Executive Engineer to establish the Estate Branch.

Accordingly the services of Mr. Goni Krishna, was spared to University of Agricultural and

06-2017, from the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru. The University has made a request for the UAS, Bengaluru for continuing the services of Mr. Gopikrishna until March, 2018, in view of the construction of new campus and completion of ongoing civil structures. Now, the UAS, Bengaluru sent a letter (dated: 19-05-2017) to the University by recalling him to report back to the duty.

Under these circumstances, further extension of deputation period of Sri. Gopi Krishna has became inevitable. Hence, it is requested to extend the deputation period upto March, 2018. Hence, the proposal.

The Board supported the view to continue the services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, Executive Engineer and also suggested the University to write a letter to the Government to get an official order for retaining his services until March, 2018 (Decision of 20th Board of Management meeting).

The Board asked the University to verify the documents related to continue/relief of Mr. Gopikrishna and to present in the next meeting (Decision of 21st Board of Management meeting).

The Board discussed the issue in detail and suggested to take action after 10 days of getting the information from the Enquiry Committee.

(Action: Registrar)

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 21st Meeting of the Board of Management University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 11-08-2017 at Meeting Hall of the Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga

Item No. 15

Modification to the guidelines of Best Researcher Award and Best Farm Superintendent Award at UAHS, Shivamogga

Since last year the UAHS, Shivamogga has implemented the "Best Researcher Award" and "Best Farm Superintendent Award" to its faculty in order to give recognition and to motivate the other scientists as practiced in other Farm Universities of the State. The same was approved in the 6th Meeting of the Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga. Based on the suggestions and comments from the previous Award Committee members and the Teachers Association, it was felt essential to modify the guidelines and the score cards. Accordingly, the modified guidelines and score card for Best Researcher and Best Farm Superintendent Awards are developed and proposed for adopting in UAHS, Shivamogga.

The Board deferred the item and asked to rework on the issue to give more weightage and focus on research rather than the teaching and extension aspects with respect to Best Researcher. Similarly, Board observed that more emphasis has to be given to the Farm management and income generation of the farm in the case of Best Farm Superintendent (Decision of 21st Board of Management meeting).

The Board went through the details critically again and reconsidered to accept the item according to the guidelines proposed during 21st Board of Management meeting.

(Action: Director of Research)

Other issues discussed

1. The secretary was requested to get the permission of the Government to complete the recruitment process by the In-charge Vice Chancellor through the committees formulated as provided in the statutes. The Secretary informed the Board that he will look into the matter also would seek legal opinion.

The Board did not approve the item.

Minutes of the Circulation Agenda of the Board of Management, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga dated 19.10.2017.

Circulation Agenda

Entrusting the works on piece work basis up to Rs. 2.50 Lakhs.

The University was so far entrusting the small piece works to the contractors up to Rs. 1.00 lakh before the implementation of the KTPP Act as specified in the PWD code GO. No. PWD-1 FCR-93 dated: 15-12-1994 (Ref.1) and not beyond it. However, for taking construction works of worth more than Rs. 1.00 lakh tender procedures are being followed. However, the PWD has revised the above order due to increase in the prices and issued the Government Order at Ref. (2) above, which states that, if there is an emergency to the Government/ Local Body, it can take up the work on 'piece work' basis based on the SR rates either by calling Tender or entrusting on Piece Work Basis up to Rs. 2.50 lakhs to condone delay.

Due to increase in the prices of all the materials, the cost of small works also would cross Rs.1.00 lakh and it takes more time to follow the tender procedure. This has resulted in a problem that, the grants are not properly utilized. The same procedure is also being followed in UAS, Bangalore and UAS, Dharwad (Ref. 3 and 4).

Therefore, an approval of the Board is requested to adopt the above Government Order to entrust the piece work up to Rs. 2.50 lakhs without calling Tender by the University. The Estate Officer may be authorized to issue the Work Order upto Rs. 2.50 lakhs with the approval of the University for better and immediate progress of the work and to utilize the grants rapidly within the given period.

The Principal Secretary (Agriculture) and Member of the Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga, did not approve the item. Hence, it was deferred.

PART- 'B'

Agenda items for 22nd Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary, and the following decisions were arrived at.

Items

Item No. 1

Approval to conduct 3rd Convocation to confer B.Sc. (Agri.), B.Sc. (Hort.), B.Sc. (Forestry.), M.Sc. and Ph.D. Programmes.

The 3rd Convocation of the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, is planned to be conducted on 21-12-2017. Applications are invited from the degree completed students to receive the Convocation Degree Certificates – In Person/In Absentia by the Registrar, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga. In response to the advertisement, several students have applied for the Convocation for confirmation of the Degrees. His Excellency, the Governor has approved Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Vice Chancellor, National Institute of Food Technology and Entrepreneurship and Management, Haryana, as Chief guest and 21-12-2017 for conduct of the Convocation. Hence, the proposal is placed before the Board of Management for its approval.

During the discussion of the subject, Prof. V. Veerabhadraiah, intervened and stated that as in the case of other Farm Universities, the Panel of Chief Guests for the Convocation has to be discussed and finalized in the Academic Council and then forwarded to the BOM for consideration. After the approval from the Board panel has to be submitted to Chancellor for approval. The Board suggested the Chairman to follow the procedure in future and approved the item as put up in the Agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 2

Reimbursement of Medical treatment bill of Dr. D. Chandrappa, Associate Director of Research, ZAHRS, Hiriyur.

The medical treatment for major malady of Dr. D. Chandrappa Associate Director of Research, ZAHRS, Babbur Farm, Hiriyur, is preferred for reimbursement of treatment charges to an extent of Rs.10,76,342/- He has undergone Medical treatment at HCG- Health Care Global Enterprises Ltd., Sampangi Ram Nagar, Bengaluru-560 027. The Hospital is recognized by the University. He was treated during 22-08-2017 to 28-08-2017. The total amount expended is Rs. 10,76,342/- as medically it is a special case, which is termed as "Right Proximalfemur Undifferentiated High Grade Pleomorphic Sarcoma".

The Board approved the item, after detailed discussion and asked to reimburse only Rs. 5,60,628 / (Rs. Five lakhs sixty thousands six hundred twenty eight only) which is according to the CGHS, rule.

Financial Provision for SC&ST Teachers visiting Abroad for attending Training / Seminars / Symposium and workshops.

As per the Government of Karnataka policy, 24.1% of the plan budget has to be earmarked for the welfare of SC & ST students and staff (17.15% under SCSP scheme and 6.95% under TSP scheme) in UAHS, Shimoga. Out of 167 Teachers, 52 belong to SC and 21 belong to ST category. Government of Karnataka has allocated a total of Rs.191.48 lakhs (Rupees one hundred ninety one lakhs fourty eight thousand only) for the welfare of SC/ST staff and students. Out of this, Rs.28,95,000/- (Rupees twenty eight lakhs ninety five thousand only) is earmarked for SCSP and Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakhs only) under TSP for the SC&ST teachers to participate in National and International Conferences / Seminars / Symposium and Trainings within and outside the country. This expenditure needs to be incurred as per the guidelines followed UAS (B), such as *Visa* charges, registration fee, airline charges, taxi charges, perdium, DA and other miscellaneous charges to be met out from SC&ST grants under. AB/AC No.102031 DAC No.000354. AB/AC No.102038 DAC No.000354 on first come first serve basis.

The Board after the critical evaluation of the issue approved the item and asked the University to get clarification from the Government before issuing the orders.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 4

Adoption of modified Score Card for selection process through direct recruitment of "C" group employees on merit basis by written test/practical test.

After formation of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, this University has adopted cadre and recruitment regulations of Service Personnel *on par* with UAS, Bengaluru for the time being in all respects. Further, this University has adopted modified Score Card as per the decision taken in the Co-ordination Committee Meeting of all the Farm Universities held on 11-03-2016, Vide Notification UAHS(S)/R/Rectt./Non-Teaching/25/2016-17, dated:04-04-2016, to start the recruitment process Vide Notification No:UAHS(S)/R/Rectt. SP & Tech.Asstt./1533/2015-16, dated: 15-09-2015. Now in the 25th Co-ordination Committee Meeting of Farm Universities of Karnataka held on 08-03-2017 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Government of Karnataka has instructed all the Farm Universities to fill up the group 'C' Service Personnel Posts on merit basis by written test/practical test only and to forgo the Score Card procedure strictly. Further, this University has already advertised the Service Personnel Posts and recruitment process would start in a short while. Hence, the proposal is submitted for kind perusal and approval of the Board of Management to recruit the Service Personnel Posts on merit basis by written test/practical test only as decided in the 25th Co-ordination Committee Meeting.

The Board approved the Item, after a detailed discussion.

(Action: Registrar)

Estimate to procure "Automated capillary system with analysis software for SSR Marker study"

The College of Agriculture, UAHS Shivamogga, in its jurisdiction, the Department of Genetics and plant Breeding is a well established Department to carryout conventional plant breeding research. There are modern techniques have emerged, where DNA based marker studies to supplement conventional plant breeding methods. Hence, there is a need of state of art Biotechnology lab. The marker analysis is laborious while Automated capillary system with analysis software for SSR Marker study is more efficient to carry out marker analysis of large samples in short period where in only one equipment can do the same SSR marker study and it is very accurate, reliable. The Department needs this equipment for research and development. The financial involvement is Rs. 19.5 lakhs.

The Board approved the Item and suggested to follow the KTTP procedures while purchasing.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 6

Establishment of Pesticide Residue Laboratory at UAHS, Shivamogga.

The pesticide residues are detected in soil, water and food products more than their limit of concentrations due to more of chemical farming and indiscriminate use of agrochemicals in today's modern agriculture practices. A potential hazard to consumers from contaminated food with pesticide residues is currently a major public health concern. Excessive exposure to some pesticides may cause acute adverse health effects. Pollution of soil and water and food contamination is the major problems caused by unscientific use of pesticides and it will be addressed through constant monitoring of residue levels in soils, water and food materials. To achieve this, a Pesticide Residue Analysis Laboratory will be equipped with Gas Chromatography - Mass Spectrophotometer (GC-MSMS) and ultra-HPLC (High Performance Liquid Chromatography) at UAHS, Shivamogga with the aim of analyzing the pesticide residues in soil, water and food samples. Also the fresh samples like fruits and vegetables from open market will be analyzed for pesticide residues. At UAHS, Shivamogga, no facility has been created for the analysis of residues of pesticides in soils, waters, crops and food produce. Based on analysis of large number of food samples (fruits, vegetables) and soils, permissible tolerance limits of pesticide residues in soil, water, crops and food commodities will be prescribed for the benefit of farming community and publics as per WHO standards. The cost of GCMS is Rs. 82 lakhs (RKVY) and for HPLC is Rs. 32 lakhs (GOK plan grants).

The Board approved the Item, after detailed discussion and suggested to follow the procedure of KTTP Act.

(Action: Estate Officer)

<u>Item No. 7:</u> Proposal for supply of Paddy Combined harvester for implementation of A-Z mechanization in paddy at ZAHRS, Mudigere.

In order to promote paddy cultivation by mechanization and sustainable production of paddy and to reduce the labour dependency in paddy cultivation it is proposed for purchase Combined harvester. Budget provision is made under creation of Assets AB/AC: 700107/806 for Rs. 28,00,000/- under State Department budget (GOK): Bhoosamruddhi Yojana.

After having detailed discussion, the item was approved and also the Board suggest ed to purchase for all the centres of the University, wherever paddy is cultivated extensively. However, it was decided to purchase one Combined Harvester and use it for harvesting paddy in all paddy growing Stations by adjusting harvest dates.

Construction of Farmers Training Centre at AHRS, Bhavikere

Large number of Farmers are visiting Agriculture and Horticulture Research Station, Bhavikere regularly. They are visiting mainly to attend the training programmes. However, there are no training facilities to train them. Hence, a building is proposed with a plinth area of 160 sq.m.trs which needs to be tendered through e- tender process. A financial involvement of Rs. 40.00 Lakhs is made under the State grants, 2017-18.

The item was deferred and the Board advised to strengthen the existing Training Hostel at KVK, Shivamogga.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 9

Construction of F - type Quarters at College of Horticulture, Mudigere

The UAHS, Shivamogga has established the College of Horticulture, Mudigere. The Campus is away from city and it is very much necessary for some of the essential Faculty to stay in the campus. A financial involvement of Rs. 30.00 Lakhs is praposed under the State grants of 2017-18.

The Board after detailed discussion approved the item as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 10

Erection of two Polyhouses at Agricultural and Horticulture Research Station, Ulla1.

The UAHS has established the Agricultural and Horticulture Research Station at Ullal. Polyhouses are needed to conduct research activities for the protected cultivation in Horticulture and also to multiply planting material in large scale under RKVY project, "Large scale Multiplication of Elite Horticultural Planting material." The size of the two polyhouses will be 192.00 sqm and 124.00 sqm. They are very essential to take up above activities. A financial involvement of Rs. 35.00 Lakhs is provided under RKVY grants of the year 2017-18 (Ab/Ac. 640055/880).

The Board, after detailed discussion approved the item to construct fully automated poly houses.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 11

Construction of Seminar Hall and First Floor Dormitory at AHRS, Ullal.

Large number of Farmers are visiting Agriculture and Horticulture Research Station, Ullala regularly. They are visiting mainly to attend the training programmes. However, there are no training facilities to train them. Hence, a building is proposed with a plinth area of 125 sq. mtrs which needs to be tendered through e- tender process. A financial involvement is Rs. 35.00 Lakhs which will be provided under RKVY grants of the year 2017-18 (A b/Ac. 640055/880). A financial involvement of Rs. 55.00 Lakhs is sanctioned under the State grants of 2017-18.

The Board approved the item, as put up in the agenda.

Construction of Amenities Building at College of Horticulture, Mudigere

The UAHS has established the College of Horticulture, Mudigere. For student activities like Study Centre, Library, JRF Exam Cell, e- Laboratories, Seminar halls *etc.*, are essential. However, there is no space to take up such important activities in the campus. Hence, a Ground and First floor building is proposed with a plinth area of 150 sq.mtrs each to be taken up through e- tender process to house all of these activities. A financial involvement of Rs. 100.00 Lakhs is earmarked under the State grants 2017-18.

The Board, after detailed discussion suggested to construct P.G. Laboratories cum seminar hall with ground and first floor and asked to revise the budget.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 13

Construction of Metalling and Asphalting main approach road at AHRS, Honnavile.

The main road of the farm which connects the North and South gate is an important road of the farm for the transport of inputs and produce and, also for the visitors. Presently, the road is not of good quality and the hardships are faced by the people especially during the rainy season due to the heavy rainfall. Hence, metalling and asphalting are essential for the smooth transport in the campus. The road will be developed for 2.20 KM with metal and asphalt layers. An amount of Rs.50.00 lakhs is sanctioned under state grant for the year 2017-18.

The item was approved as put up in the agenda as per the KTTP Act.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 14

Construction of compound wall for boundary of AHRS, Kathalagere

Constantly the produce and other material at AHRS, Kathalagere being stolen from the premises by the trespassers nearby Kavalithanda Village existing near the campus. Therefore, there is a necessity to build the strong compound wall to prevent the movement of trespassers in the campus near the vulnerable areas. This accounts to 580.00 mtrs length with RCC pillars and solid blocks. An amount of Rs. 50.00 lakhs is earmarked under the State grants for the year 2017-18.

The item was approved by the Board and asked to execute as per the KTTP Act.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 15

Construction and formation of Sports Ground with pavilion at AHRS, Kathalagere.

The University has initiated the Diploma Agriculture College at AHRS, Kathalagere. The student and faculty need the play ground with the pavilion to conduct sports and other at hletic activities. Hence, the proposal is made to build the ground with pavilion for 200 sitting capacity. The pavilion will be constructed, under this two rest rooms with attached wash rooms will be also built independently for ladies and gents. An amount of Rs. 60.00 lakks is earmarked under the state grant for the year 2017-18.

The Board after detailed discussion approved the item and asked to follow the KTTP procedure.

Providing and laying irrigation pipe line to UAHS, Navile Farm from Navile, Thunga channel.

The water is supplied to ZAHRS Farm, Shivamogga from Thunga channel from the Navile village. The old channel was damaged recently while widening of National Highway. The same thing has to be restored by relaying the pipeline. The length of the DI pipeline will be 1800.00 mtrs running from village to the campus. This would cost Rs. 85.00 lakhs which has been sanctioned to the UAHS, from the KSHIP Department, Govt. Of Karnataka. An amount of Rs. 85.00 lakhs has been sanctioned by KSHIP from its grants.

The item was approved as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 17

Constitution of Finance Committee of UAHS, Shimoga

Constitution of Finance Committee is essential as per the provision of Chapter-VI, No. 43 of the Act. In order to examine the accounts and budget estimate to review the financial positions and to make recommendation to the Board on the matters of budget allocation and economy. Therefore it is proposed to constitute following Finance Committee of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

1.	The Vice-Chancellor		Chairman
	The Dringing Courtery of Covernment Finance Department or h	ic -	Member

2. The Principal Secretary of Government, Finance Department or his nominee not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary.

3. The Principal Secretary or Secretary to Government, Agriculture - Member Department or his nominee not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary.

4. One member of the Board of Management nominated by Vice - Member Chancellor. - Prof. V. Veerabhadraiah.

5. Registrar - Member

6. The Comptroller - Member Secretary

The Board approved the item, as put up in the agenda

(Action: Registrar)

Table Agenda Item No. 1

Post facto Consideration of request of Dr. Jayaprakash S.M, for deputation for higher studies leading to Ph.D Programme

Dr. Jayaprakash S.M. had requested the University for part time deputation for higher studies leading to Ph.D Programme vide ref. No. ZAHRSB/347/2013-14 dated 14-08-2013 and vide ref. dated 25-02-2014. During that time Director of Education had written a letter to the Special Officer, UAHS, Shivamogga stating that there are no existing guidelines from UAHS, Shivamogga for deputing the staff for higher studies. However, as per the draft notification prepared by the University based on the guidelines of UAS, Bangalore & UHS, Bagalkot, Mr.Jayaprakash S.M. was eligible to get the part time deputation facility. Accordingly he got the admission for Ph.D during 2013-14 at UAHS, Shivamogga.

But, University did not taken any decision for his deputation till date, however, he is perusing his Ph.D at his own cost. Again, he has requested the University (letter vide ref. No. ZAHRS (B)/1014/2017-18 dated:11-10-2017) to consider deputation for Ph.D.

The Board approved the item and advised to provide part time deputation for higher studies leading to Ph. D Programme, since from the date of entry into Ph.D.

(Action: Registrar)

Permission for distributing Rs. 24,48,125/- Production incentive to the farmers under NFSM Pulse Mission Seed Production Programme 2016-17.

During the year 2016 – International pulse Year, in order to encourage pulse seed production the Government of Karnataka under NFSM Pulse Mission - seed production programme recommended production incentive @ Rs. 2500/qtl. (75% for farmer and 25% for seed producing agency). Accordingly, University has received a sum of Rs. 25.00 lakhs towards production incentive, to be distributed to the farmers who had taken up pulse crops seed production during *Kharif*, 2016 season. The budget provision made under AB A/c 700103 DAC 000501 for the year 2017-18. A total of 979.25 qtl. of Redgram variety BRG-2 and 4 was produced under farmer participatory seed production programme by 68 farmers of Chitradurga and Davanagere districts during the year 2016-17. A total of Rs. 24,48,125/- has to be distributed to the farmers who had participated in our pulse seed production programme organised by the UAHS during the year 2016-17 as per the list enclosed.

The Board after critical evaluation deferred the item.

Table Agenda Item No.3

Permission to waive off the financial loss in Redgram seed production taken up by the Seed Unit (AHRS, Kathalagere), UAHS, Shivamogga.

A total of 1010.05 q. Certified and Truthfully labelled seeds of Redgram variety BRG-2 and 4 was produced by Seed Unit, AHRS, Kathalagere under the farmers participatory seed production programme during the year 2016-17. Due to failure of rains during the Redgram sowing periods i.e. June and July months during 2017-18, only 161.60 q. was sold through KSSC/KSDA.

Validity of these seed lots was upto 21-11-2017. Even if we apply for revalidation after the expiry date, revalidation will be given for a period of only three months i.e. upto 20-02-2018. This will not cover the 2018 *kharif* sowing season.

Further, the seeds being untreated, pulse crops are more prone for pest damage and quality deterioration under the existing ambient storage conditions. Since, the University does not have the cold storage facilities, in order to avoid further quality deterioration and financial loss, it had to be converted in to bulk grain and sold in the market immediately.

Hence, an urgent meeting was held on 23-08-2017 under the Chairmanship of the Vice Chancellor, Director of Research Comptroller to discuss the seriousness of the issue and was decided to sell the produce at APMC, Chitradurga. Accordingly a total receipt of Rs. 18,77,778/- was realized by selling 848.45 q. of Redgram at APMC, Chitradurga. The details pertaining to the present proposal is enclosed in the prescribed format. Finally, by converting the Redgram seed as grain and selling in the APMC Chitradurga there is a loss of Rs. 21,24,322/- to the University. This was done in the interest of avoiding further financial loss to the University.

The Board went through the details critically approved the item and suggested to Claim from seed risk fund.

(Action: Nodal Officer, Seeds)

Table Agenda Item No. 4

Construction of Girls Hostel at College of Forestry Ponnampet.

The UAHS has established the College of Forestry Ponnampet. There is a shortage of space for accommodation of Girls students in existing Girls hostel building and there is no any infrastructure to accommodate the girls student in the campus. Hence building is proposed with a plinth area of 562.00 sq.mtrs to be taken up through e – tender process. A financial involvement of Rs. 100.00 Lakhs is earmarked under the State grants 2017-18.

The item was approved by the Board and suggested to follow the KTTP Act and suggested to construct common bath and toilets instead of attached bathroom and to ilets.

Table Agenda Item No. 5

Construction of Girls Hostel Second floor at College of Horticulture, Hiriyur.

The UAHS has established the College of Horticulture, Hiriyur. There is a shortage of space for accommodation of Girls Students in existing Girls hostel building. Hence, there is a need to make an additional floor of 15 rooms for girls students in the campus. Hence second floor building is proposed with a plinth area of 400 sq.mtrs to be taken up through e- tender process. A financial involvement of Rs. 100.00 Lakhs is earmarked under the State grants 2017-18.

The item was approved by the Board and suggested to follow the KTTP Act and suggested to construct common bath and toilets instead of attached bathroom and toilets.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Other issues discussed

1. Issue of orders to the CAS promoted teachers and service personnel.

The Board asked the University to get the clarification from the Government before issuing the orders.

2. Formation of Works Committee.

The Board directed the Chairman to constitute the Works Committee after getting clearance from the Government.

- 3. Raising the salary of drivers as it is increased for the messengers according to Supreme Court Order.
- 4. The Board suggested to re-advertise teaching and non-teaching posts which have been advertised already.

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Minutes of the adjourned 23rd Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 21-12-2017 at Meeting Hall of the Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga.

Members Present

1.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga	Chairman
2.	Prof. Dr. V. Veerabhadraiah	Member
3.	Mrs. Neetu Patil	Member
4.	Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga	Member
5.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar, UAHS, Shiyamogga	Member Secretary

Members Absent

1. The Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, GoK	Member
2. The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GoK	Member
3. Sri Kimmane Ratnakar.	Member
4. The Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, GoK	Member
5. Dr. S. Bhaskar, Assistant Director General (AFF & CC)	Member

PART- 'B'

Agenda items for 23rd Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary, and the following decisions were taken and confirmed.

Item No. 1

Approval of the list of Under Graduates and Post Graduates (including Ph.D.) students who have applied for 3rd Convocation to be admitted to the B.Sc. (Agri.), B.Sc. (Hort.), B.Sc. (Forestry), M.Sc. and Ph.D. Programmes.

The 3rd Convocation of the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, will be held on 21-12-2017. Applications were called from the degree completed students to get the Convocation Degree Certificates – In Person/In Absentia by the Registrar, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga. In response to the advertisement several students have applied for the Convocation for confirmation of the Degrees. A list of students who had completed their Degree Programmes during the years 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 (In Person / In Absentia) in different Degrees/disciplines/ subjects is enclosed for kind perusal and approval of the Board of Management. The proposal has already been approved in the 15th Academic Council Meeting held on 18-12-2017.

The Board approved the Item, after a detailed discussion.

Approval of the list of eligible Under Graduate and Post Graduate students who have Completed their B.Sc. (Agri.), B.Sc. (Hort.), B.Sc. (Forestry), M.Sc. and Ph.D. Programmes for the award of University and Donor Gold Medals during the 3rd Convocation.

The 3rd Convocation of the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, will be held on 21-12-2017. The University Gold Medal Committee for the award of Gold Medals under the Chairmanship of Director of Education was held on 24-11-2017 and has recommended the names of Under Graduate and Post Graduate students in different Degree programmes/ disciplines/ subjects for the award of University and Donor Gold Medals to be awarded in the 3rd Convocation (List enclosed). The decision was taken as per the list of eligible meritorious students prepared (UG – 14, M.Sc. – 12, Ph.D. – 4) and sent by all the Deans of the constituent Colleges. The proposal has already been approved in the 15th Academic Council Meeting held on 18-12-2017.

The Board after detailed discussion approved the item and suggested to give only one gold medal to Horticulture from next Academic year.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 3

Institution of Donor Gold Medals in the name of "Dr. Leslie C. Coleman, Dr. M. Puttarudraiah & Dr. G.P. ChannaBasavanna" for the candidates who secures highest marks and First Rank in Agricultural Entomology subjects in B.Sc. (Agri.) / B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture, M.Sc. (Agri.) and Ph.D. degrees of UAHS, Shivamogga, respectively.

The President, Entomology Club and HOD (Entomology), COA, Shivamogga, UAHS, Shivamogga has donated a sum of Rs. 4,80,000/- @ Rs. 1,60,000/- per Gold Medal (Rs. Four Lakh Eighty Thousand Rupees only) vide Cheque No. 252911, dated: 08-11-2017. He has requested the UAHS, Shivamogga to install "Dr. Leslie C. Coleman Gold Medal for the candidates who secures highest marks in Agricultural Entomology subjects in B.Sc. (Agri.)/B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture degree, Dr. M. Puttarudraiah gold Medal for the candidate who secures First Rank in M.Sc. (Agri.) in Agricultural Entomology and Dr. G.P. ChannaBasavanna Gold Medal for the candidate who secures First Rank in Ph.D. in Agricultural Entomology from College of Agriculture, Shivamogga. These medals will be awarded from 2018-19 and onwards. The proposal has been subsequently approved in the 15th Academic Council Meeting held on 18-12-2017.

The Board approved the item, as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 4

Institution of Donor Gold Medal in the name of "Dr. B.R. Ambedkar" for the best outgoing Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe student of the Year amongst B.Sc. (Forestry) students from College of Forestry, Ponnampet, UAHS, Shivamogga.

The General Secretary, SC / ST Teaching and Non-teaching Association, UAHS, Shivamogga has donated a sum of Rs. 1,70,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Thousand only) vide Cheque No. 263312, dated: 09-12-2017. The amount includes corpus fund (Rs.

current year. As requested by the General Secretary, SC / ST Teaching and Non-teaching Association, UAHS, Shivamogga, one Gold Medal in the name of "Dr. B.R. Ambedkar" will be instituted from 2017-18 for the best outgoing meritorious and eligible Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe student of B.Sc. (Forestry) degree completed Graduates from COF, Ponnampet only. This will be awarded from 3rd Convocation of the University and onwards. The proposal has been approved in the 15th Academic Council Meeting held on 18-12-2017.

The Board after detailed discussion approved the item.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 5

Specifications for preparation of Gold Medals for awarding to the eligible meritorious students during Convocation of the University.

As per the UG and PG regulations of the University Gold Medals are to be awarded for the meritorious students of all the three (3) UG degree programmes. Thirteen (13) Gold Medals for M.Sc. degree subjects and Five (5) Gold Medals for Ph.D. degree programmes are to be awarded during the University Convocation. In addition, Gold Medals instituted by the Donors are also to be awarded during the convocation for the students. These Gold Medals should be uniform in size, thickness, radius and weight. In this respect, it is proposed to prepare gold Plated Silver Medals with the following specifications both for University and the Donor Medals instituted in the University.

a) Weight 40g Silver, b) Thickness 3mm, c) Radius 60mm, d) Coating of Gold 1g, e) The medal will have name of the student, Name of the College, Subject (for PG Medals), Name of the Degree and Year, engraved on the both the sides and the slings will have the name of the University and f) a box will be given along with the Gold Medal for storing. The proposal has been subsequently approved in the 15th Academic Council Meeting held on -18-12-2017.

The Board approved the item, as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 6

Increasing remuneration for External Examiner for question paper setting from existing Rs. 1000 to Rs. 2000 from 2018-19.

If the pattern of question paper to be set by External Examiner for External Examination is changed to objective type - 25 marks and subjective type - 25 marks, it calls for more attention and hard work to set questions. To encourage accepting question paper setting, remuneration has to be increased from existing Rs. 1000 to 2000. The hike in remuneration (Rs. 2000/-) is already in vogue in UAS, Bangalore. The same is placed before the Academic Council for perusal and kind approval.

The Board after detailed discussion deferred the item and suggested the University to represent in the next meeting.

Approval of the revision of honorarium and other allowances of Diploma in Agriculture Extension for Input Dealers (DAESI) conducted at the College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga.

Since 2007-08, DAESI programme is being conducted under the College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga and from time to time the honorarium to resource persons and allowances of the staff are revised. Further, State Department of Agriculture and MANAGE, Hyderabad are also conducting DAESI programme and they are offering higher honorarium to resource persons and allowances to the staff members as compared to DAESI programme organised at UAHS, Shivamogga. Hence, honorarium to resource persons and allowances to the staff may be revised as mentioned below. The same is placed before the Academic Council for perusal and kind approval.

SI. No.	Details	Existing Remuneration Charges (Rs.)	Revised Remuneration Charges (Rs.)
1	Resource person from UAHS	500/lecture	1000/lecture
2	Resource person from outside UAHS with in Shivamogga city	600/lecture	1000/lecture
3	Resource person from outside UAHS outside Shivamogga city	700/lecture	1250/lecture
4	Coordinator	2000 per month	3000 per month
5	Assistant Coordinator	1250 per month	2000 per month
6	Supporting staff	500 per month	750 per month
7	Driver	200 per trip	300 per trip
8	Assistant (to write cash book and records)	750 per month	1000 per month

The Board after detailed discussion deferred the item and suggested the University to represent in the next meeting.

(Action: Registrar)

Other issues discussed

Construction of Auditorium with dome structure

The Board asked the University to develop a doom like structure to conduct different programmes in the college Bayalu Ranga Mandira and asked to include the programme in the 2018-19 budget.

(Action: Comptroller)

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Minutes of the 24th Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 06-03-2018 at Room No.252, Meeting Hall, Office of the Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, Government of Karnataka, M.S. Building, Bengaluru..

Members Present

1.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga	Chairman
2.	The Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, GoK	Member
3.	The Additional Secretary, Finance Department, GoK	Member
4.	The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GoK	Member
5.	Prof. Dr. V. Veerabhadraiah	Member
6.	Mrs. Neetu Y. Patil	Member
7.	Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga	Member
8.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga	Member Secretary

Members Absent

1.	Dr. S. Bhaskar, Assistant Director General (AFF & CC)	Member
2.	Sri Kimmane Ratnakar	Member

At the outset, Dr. P. Narayanswamy, Chairman and Member Secretary of the Board, UAHS, Shivamogga extended a warm welcome to all the Members to the 24th Meeting of Board of Management. He presented the proceedings of the 11th Finance Committee meeting in brief to the Board. Further, the Action Taken and agenda items were discussed as below to arrive at conclusions.

<u>PART - 'A'</u>

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 25-03-2017 at Office of the Secretary Agriculture, Government of Karnataka, 3rd Block, 4th Floor, M.S. Building, Bengaluru

Item No.3

Implementation of Employee Provident Fund Facility to Contract Workers at University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka has issued instructions vide ref No. LD16 LWA 2016 dated:08-12-2016 regarding extension of Social Security Benefit under EPF and MF Act, 1952 to the Construction and Contract Work employees engaged by them or through contactor by the State Government Departments and undertaking Municipalities are required to be covered under the Provision of EPF Act. Earlier this Scheme has been implemented to the regular employees only. Now, the Government is stressing to implement the EPF Scheme to all the Contractual Workers, working in the respective institutions. As per the directions of the Government, this University has to deduct 12 % of the amount from the every Contractual Worker from his salary every month. Similarly, equal portion of contribution (12%) has to be paid by the University. Hence, as per the direction of the Government the University is wishing to extend this benefit to around 362 persons who are working in the University as contractual workers. The proposal is put up with necessary documents for kind consideration and approval from the Board of Management to implement the EPF Facility to Contractual Workers in the University.

As per the directions of the Government, the University has to extend the benefits of EPF Schemes to all the Contractual workers by deducting 12% of amount from their salary and

adding equal share of contribution (12%) from the University to the every worker. Additionally Rs.34,96,370/- is required to implement the EPF Scheme for Contractual Workers.

The item was discussed thoroughly by the Board and felt that EPF facility must be extended. It was suggested to bring the item to the next Board after taking a legal opinion on the issue (Decision of 19th and 20th Board of Management meetings).

The Board approved the item. It advised to prepare a list of existing contractual workers with qualifications and experience along with the procedure adopted while engaging. Further, suggested to develop a proper system to engage retired persons for contractual purpose (Decision of the 21st Board of Management meeting).

The Board approved the item, however suggested to get the clarification from the Government to engage the retired persons (Decision of 22nd Board of Management meeting).

The Board suggested to outsource the services for the Non-Technical posts henceforth.

(Action: Registrar)

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 20th Meeting of the Board of Management University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 19-06-2017 at Office of the Secretary Agriculture, Government of Karnataka, 3rd Block, 4th Floor, M.S. Building, Bengaluru.

Item No. 7

Continuation / relief of services of Mr. Gopikrishna, Executive Engineer, who is on deputation from University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru to UAHS, Shivamogga The Services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, Executive Engineer, Estate Branch, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore, was spared to our newly formed University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, on deputation, as there was severe dearth of experienced Executive Engineer to establish the Estate Branch.

Accordingly, the services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, was spared to University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga on deputation for the period from 27th March 2013 to 27-06-2017, from the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru. The University has made a request for the UAS, Bengaluru for continuing the services of Mr. Gopikrishna until March, 2018, in view of the construction of new campus and completion of ongoing civil structures. Now, the UAS, Bengaluru sent a letter (dated: 19-05-2017) to the University by recalling him to report back to the duty.

Under these circumstances, further extension of deputation period of Sri. Gopi Krishna has became inevitable. Hence, it is requested to extend the deputation period upto March, 2018.

The Board supported the view to continue the services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, Executive Engineer and also suggested the University to write a letter to the Government to get an official order for retaining his services until March, 2018 (Decision of 20th Board of Management meeting).

The Board asked the University to verify the documents related to continue/relief of Mr. Gopikrishna and to present in the next meeting (Decision of 21st Board of Management meeting).

The Board discussed the issue in detail and suggested to take action after 10 days of getting the information from Enquiry Committee (Decision of 22nd Board of Management meeting).

The Board suggested to initiate the disciplinary action against Mr. Gopi Krishna. The Vice Chancellor informed the Board that Gopi Krishna has been relieved from UAHS and joined back to parent University i.e. UASB. A letter will be addressed to be Vice Chancellor UASB to initiate the disciplinary action against him.

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary, and the following decisions were arrived at.

Item No. 3

Financial Provision for SC&ST Teachers visiting Abroad for attending Training / Seminars / Symposium and workshops.

As per the Government of Karnataka policy, 24.1% of the plan budget has to be earmarked for the welfare of SC & ST students and staff (17.15% under SCSP scheme and 6.95% under TSP scheme) in UAHS, Shimoga. Out of 167 Teachers, 52 belong to SC and 21 belong to ST category. Government of Karnataka has allocated a total of Rs.191.48 lakhs (Rupees one hundred ninety one lakhs fourty eight thousand only) for the welfare of SC/ST staff and students. Out of this, Rs.28,95,000/- (Rupees twenty eight lakhs ninety five thousand only) is earmarked for SCSP and Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakhs only) under TSP for the SC&ST

teachers to participate in National and International Conferences / Seminars / Symposium and Trainings within and outside the country. This expenditure needs to be incurred as per the guidelines followed by UAS (B), such as *Visa* charges, registration fee, airline charges, taxi charges, perdium, DA and other miscellaneous charges to be met out from SC&ST grants under. AB/AC No.102031 DAC No.000354. AB/AC No.102038 DAC No.000354 on first come first serve basis.

The Board after the critical evaluation of the issue approved the item and asked the University to get clarification from the Government before issuing the orders (Decision of 22nd Board of Management meeting).

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 6

Establishment of Pesticide Residue Laboratory at UAHS, Shivamogga.

The pesticide residues are detected in soil, water and food products more than their limit of concentrations due to more of chemical farming and indiscriminate use of agrochemicals in today's modern agriculture practices. A potential hazard to consumers from contaminated food with pesticide residues is currently a major public health concern. Excessive exposure to some pesticides may cause acute adverse health effects. Pollution of soil and water and food contamination is the major problems caused by unscientific use of pesticides and it will be addressed through constant monitoring of residue levels in soils, water and food materials. To achieve this, a Pesticide Residue Analysis Laboratory will be equipped with Gas Chromatography – Mass Spectrophotometer (GC-MSMS) and ultra-HPLC (High Performance Liquid Chromatography) at UAHS, Shivamogga with the aim of analyzing the pesticide residues in soil, water and food samples. Also the fresh samples like fruits and vegetables from open market will be analyzed for pesticide residues. At UAHS, Shivamogga, no facility has been created for the analysis of residues of pesticides in soils, waters, crops and food produce. Based on analysis of large number of food samples (fruits, vegetables) and soils, permissible tolerance limits of pesticide residues in soil, water, crops and food commodities will be prescribed for the benefit of farming community and publics as per WHO standards. The cost of GCMS is Rs. 82 lakhs (RKVY) and for HPLC is Rs. 32 lakhs (GOK plan grants).

The Board approved the Item, after detailed discussion and suggested to follow the procedure of KTTP Act (Decision of 22nd Board of Management meeting).

The Board discussed in detail and suggested to give the inventory level of equipments and their use since 5 years and also to submit compliance report.

(Action: Director of Education/Director of Research/Estate Officer)

Table Agenda Item No.3

Permission to waive off the financial loss in Redgram seed production taken up by the Seed Unit (AHRS, Kathalagere), UAHS, Shivamogga.

A total of 1010.05 q. Certified and Truthfully labelled seeds of Redgram variety BRG-2 and 4 was produced by Seed Unit, AHRS, Kathalagere under the farmers participatory seed production programme during the year 2016-17. Due to failure of rains during the Redgram sowing periods i.e. June and July months during 2017-18, only 161.60 q. was sold through KSSC/KSDA.

Validity of these seed lots was upto 21-11-2017. Even if we apply for revalidation after the expiry date, revalidation will be given for a period of only three months i.e. upto 20-02-2018. This will not cover the 2018 *kharif* sowing season.

Further, the seeds being untreated, pulse crops are more prone for pest damage and quality deterioration under the existing ambient storage conditions. Since, the University does not have the cold storage facilities, in order to avoid further quality deterioration and financial loss, it had to be converted in to bulk grain and sold in the market immediately.

Hence, an urgent meeting was held on 23-08-2017 under the Chairmanship of the Vice Chancellor, Director of Research Comptroller to discuss the seriousness of the issue and was decided to sell the produce at APMC, Chitradurga. Accordingly a total receipt of Rs. 18,77,778/- was realized by selling 848.45 q. of Redgram at APMC, Chitradurga. The details pertaining to the present proposal is enclosed in the prescribed format. Finally, by converting the Redgram seed as grain and selling in the APMC Chitradurga there is a loss of Rs. 21,24,322/- to the University. This was done in the interest of avoiding further financial loss to the University.

The Board went through the details critically and approved the item. Board also suggested to claim from seed risk fund (Decision of 22nd Board of Management meeting).

The Board went through the details once again and approved the ratification of the decision made by the University.

(Action: Nodal Officer, Seeds)

Other issues discussed

1. Issue of orders to the CAS promoted teachers and service personnel.

The Board asked the University to get the clarification from the Government before issuing the orders (Decision of 22nd Board of Management meeting).

Board suggested to issue the CAS orders according to norms of the ICAR and to present before the Board for ratification.

(Action: Registrar)

2. Formation of Works Committee

The Board directed the Chairman to constitute the Works Committee after getting clearance from the Government (Decision of 22nd Board of Management meeting).

The issue was discussed and suggested to defer the Item as there is no provision in the University act.

PART- 'B'

Agenda items of 24th Meeting of Board of Management presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary, and the following decisions were arrived at.

Item No. 1

The Budget estimate of UAHS, Shivamogga for the year 2018-19 and Revised Budget estimate for the year 2017-18

The Budget estimate of UAHS(S) for the year 2018-19 has been prepared based on the Grants received from Govt. of Karnataka under Plan and Non-Plan, taking into account the anticipated internal receipt of UAHS(S), with the main aim of implementing programme under Education, Research and Extension activities at UAHS, Shivamogga during the year 2018-19.

The Board suggested to present the Item in the next meeting which has to be conducted within March-2018.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 2

Providing University General Scholarship to M.Sc. and Ph.D. students who do not have any other financial assistance.

Many of the M.Sc. and Ph.D. students do not have any financial assistance from the first year of study and are facing hardships to continue their higher studies. The existing practice of financial assistance through SRP is only for the 2nd year students that too whenever a Principal Investigator is sanctioned a project. Since, the cost of higher education has escalated; students of agricultural universities from rural backgrounds need to be encouraged to pursue their higher studies by providing such scholarships. It is proposed to provide scholarships at Rs. 1,500/- pm for M.Sc. and Rs. 2,000/- pm for Ph.D. students having no other financial assistance/scholarship/fellowship. UAS, Bengaluru, the parent university is awarding similar financial assistance from the academic year 2017-18 (copy enclosed). The detailed proposal is enclosed for kind perusal and approval of the Board of Management. The proposal has already been approved in the 9th BOS (PG) meeting held on 04-12-2017 and 15th Academic Council Meeting held on 18-12-2017.

The Board after evaluating the Item critically, suggested to refine the details and to present in the next Board along with guidelines to award the scholarships.

(Action: Dean PGS)

Item No. 3

Providing security and up-keeping arrangements for the various Research Stations of UAHS, Shivamogga.

The UAHS Shivamogga has come into existence from 2012-13 with seven research stations coming under its jurisdictions. For these research stations, it is necessary to provide security and house-keeping personal in the interest of University. For these research stations, the estimation amounts to Rs. 70.50 Lakhs per annum. These research stations are in the outskirts, and Malanad regions where the labourers are not available for this skilled work. Hence, the proposal for outsourcing, the house-keeping is very much necessary to keep toilets neat and tidy, to clean and swop the office premises for which house-keeping personel are required. The security is also needed for the watch and ward of the buildings, to keep vigil near the threshing yards, seed godown, implement shed and to prevent trespassing of the unauthorized persons, etc. The estimation of each research station is as follows.

ii) iii)	AHRS, Bhavikere - AHRS, Kademadkal -	28.20
iii)	AHRS, Kademadkal -	<u>14.10</u>
	Total	70.50 Lakhs.

The detailed discussion, the Board approved the item as put in the agenda and suggested to take action as per rules.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 4

Fixation of emoluments for 18 DRE Employees who are considered under 'C' group in the University as per the orders of the Government of Karnataka.

The Government of Karnataka has issued the orders for 46 DRE employees of the University stating that 28 members are under 'D' group and 18 members are under 'C' group. The University in its order, ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕೃ.ತೋ.ವಿ.ವಿ (ಶಿ)/ಕು.ಸ/ದಿ.ಗೂ.ನೌ.–ಸಿ ಗ್ರೂಪ್ ವೇತನ/860/2017-18 dated: 27-06-2017 has extended the benefit to the 18 'C' group DRE Employees from 23-06-2017. But the Government in its recent Notification dated ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕೃ.ಇ 13 ಕೃ.ವಿವಿ 2013 (ಭಾಗ–1) ದಿನಾಂಕ: 03-08-2015 has indicated to implement the benefits to C group employees from 03-08-2015. Similar benefit has been extended to the DRE Employees from the mother University (UASB) and (UASD). Hence, the financial benefits need to be given from 03-08-2015 instead of 23-06-2017 which is approved in the 20th Board Meeting, Item No. 3 dated: 19-06-2017. Hence, the proposal.

The Board after detailed discussion suggested to implement according to the rules and regulations framed by DPAR and to present in the next Board of Management meeting.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 5

Sparing of 0.50 acres of land to the KSDA for the construction of New Office Building of The Joint Director of Agriculture at AHRS, Madikeri.

The KSDA requested for sparing of land of 0.50 acres for construction of new office building of the Joint Director of Agriculture and RSK at AHRS, Madikeri. Accordingly, the Board of Management has approved an area of 0.50 acres of land to allot the construction of the same behind the hockey grounds (0.27 acres under Survey No.383/1 and 0.23 acres under Survey No. 405/2) to KSDA under JDA Madkeri in its 11th meeting held on 30.04.2016 (Table Agenda Item-1). Later, it was brought to the notice of the University (the team lead by Dean (Forestry), Farm Superintendent, Assistant Director of Agriculture) that the above mentioned land under Survey No.383/1 has already been allotted for the construction of Taluk office complex based on the order of the Deputy Commissioner and the construction work has been initiated. Again on a request of Joint Director of Agriculture, Madikeri for an alternate allocation of land, the surveying was undertaken. The Survey No.465/1 with an area of 63 cent was identified and could be available for the purpose. Therefore, the Dean (Forestry) and JDA informed that the same land is suitable for KSDA and therefore 0.50 acres may be spared to the KSDA for construction of office of the JDA.

The Board approved the item as put in the agenda and suggested to submit the proposal to the govt for final decision in the matter.

(Action: Director of Research)

Redeployment of Senior Assistant post to the Directorate of PG Studies

There are no permanent posts in the Directorate of PG Studies. This Directorate is having one Assistant Registrar – working against the post of CoH, Hiriyur and the person working as Assistant Registrar is nearing his superannuation. Presently, the supporting staff are working on work contract basis. There is a need of at least one Senior Assistant post to Directorate. It is proposed to redeploy one post of Senior Assistant out of the existing three posts from the Directorate of Research to the Directorate of PG Studies in the interest of the university for kind consideration of the Board.

The Board approved the Item after the critical evaluation.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 7

Strengthening / Setting up of soil testing laboratories and establishment of Referral soil testing laboratory under UAHS, Shivamogga.

- 1. Soil testing laboratories at ZAHRS, Hiriyuru, ZAHRS, Mudigere, COH, Hiriyuru, KVK, Shivamogga, ZAHRS, Brahmavara, AHRS, Shringeri, AHRS, Ullal and AHRS, Madikeri are having facilities to analyze soil, water and plant / manure samples for parameters like pH, electrical conductivity, organic carbon, available nitrogen, phosphorus, potassium, sulphur and exchangeable calcium and magnesium. Water distillation units (7 Nos.) are to be provided to ZAHRS, Hiriyuru, ZAHRS, Mudigere, COH, Hiriyuru, KVK, Shivamogga, AHRS, Shringeri, AHRS, Ullal and AHRS, Madikeri. Nitrogen distillation apparatus (4 Nos.) are to be provided to ZAHRS, Hiriyuru, COH, Hiriyuru, AHRS, Ullal and AHRS, Madikeri.
- 2. Micronutrient analysis facility does not exist in ZAHRS, Brahmavara. Hence, there is a need to establish micronutrient analysis facility to meet the needs of the farmers of the Udupi district. The strengthening / setting up of soil testing laboratory facilities will help the University to meet the needs of the farming community and the state Department of Agriculture. This also suffices the research needs of the scientists. Hence, the need to strengthen the labs with water distillation units and nitrogen distillation apparatus
- 3. Referral soil samples from the state Department of Agriculture will be rechecked at the Referral soil testing laboratory at ZAHRS, Shivamogga. Hence, the need to strengthen the Referral laboratory with Microwave digester.

The Board deferred the Item temporarily, however asked to present the details and purpose of procuring these equipments.

(Action: Director of Extension)

Item No. 8

Climate resilient through climate smart farming practices

Climate change is a buzz word of the ester years has become a reality and affecting the every walk of life so as the agriculture. Climate change is going to affect the food production in terms of reducing the yield of field crops and it is demonstrated that on an average the yield of crops will go down to an extent of 4.5 to 9% in India costing 1.5 % of GDP per year. Most of the farming communities in the rainfed areas are projected to be affected to a great extent. Hence there is a need for developing and adopting climate resilient practices which play an important role in mitigating the negative impacts of climate change. This project aims to develop, disseminate and demonstrate tailored weather forecasts and climate-smart services to the identified climate vulnerable villages. It also aims to identify suitable cultivars for changing climate through screening in temperature free air carbon dioxide enrichment facility (T-FACE) with deficit irrigation facility.

To achieve these objectives field facilities having temperature free air carbon dioxide enrichment facility is need to be established at College of Agriculture/ZAHRS, Shimoga. This facilitates screening of crops and varieties under simulated climate change scenarios to enable to assess the climate change impacts on the productivity of major crops as well as identification of suitable varieties.

After through discussion, the Board approved the Item as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 9

Request for approval of downgrading/ conversion of seeds into bulk grain and loss of revenue to the Seed Unit due to selling of the seed as bulk grain in APMC.

The seed purchased for organizing seed production or the Certified Seed produced by the University could not be sold completely, this year, because of consecutive drought situation during *kharif* and *rabi* sowing season. Hence, the unsold seeds were converted into bulk grain by following the procedure for conversion by the Seed Conversion Committee chaired by Director of Research, UAHS, in the meeting held on 02-01-2018 (A copy of the proceedings is enclosed for ready reference). The abstract of the seed converted is enclosed.

The Board approved the Item as per the recommendation made by the seed conversion committee from the University.

(Action: Director of Research)

Item No. 10

Digitalization and establishment of RFID in Libraries, UAHS, Shivamogga

University has received ICAR funds for automation of library with KOHA software and RFID for library management during 2015-16. Accordingly the University library located at Shivamogga and COH, Hiriyur has been upgraded by establishing KOHA software and RFID facilities for effective management. Now, the University has a plan to extend the above facilities for other libraries particularly libraries of College of Horticulture, Mudigere and College of Forestry, Ponnampet for effective library management and use of library facilities such as CeRA and e-books by Staff and Students of the respective campuses. Further, ICAR is also interested in up-gradation of libraries with KOHA Software and RFID facilities. Hence, digitalization of libraries is needed in terms of KOHA Software and RFID facilities for effective library management.

The Board after going through the details approved the Item as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 11

To accord University permission to report to duty in respect of Mr. Adappa Gouda M. Patil Lab Assistant, A.H.R.S, Thirthahalli, who remained anauthorisedly absent for a period of 3 years and 6 months (from 31-07-2014 to 31-01-2018)

Mr. Adappagouda M. Patil, Lab Assistant, A.H.R.S, Thirthahalli, remained unauthorisedly absent for duty from 31-07-2014 to 30-01-2018, (for 3 years and 6 months) and returned to duty on 31-01-2018. He has been issued memo for his unauthorized absent vide

No.1:ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಕೃ.ತೋ.ವಿ.ವಿ(ಶಿ)/ಕು.ಸ/ಆದಪ್ಪಗೌಡಪಾಟೀಲ/ಪ್ರ.ಶಾಸಅ.ಗೈ.ಹಾ/ಕೃತೋಸಂಕೇಂ/ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳಿ/1599/2016–17 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 23–08–2016.

2. ಶ್ರೀ. ಆದಪ್ಪಗೌಡರಿಗೆ ನೀಡಲಾದ ಸೂಚನಾ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂ: ಕೃತೋಸಂಕೇಂದ್ರ/ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳಿ/19/2016–17, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 05–05–2016 ಮತು

3. ಸೂಚನಾ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂ:ಕೃತೋಸಂಕೇಂ/ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳ/30/2016–17, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 06-06-2016. But no reply was received. Now, he has returned for duty on 31-01-2018, giving medical reason for his unauthorized absence. In support of this, he has submitted the Medical Certificate issued by the Medical Officer of Community Health Centre, Talikote and Hunasigi, Surpura Taluk, Yadgiri Dist. There is no leave at his credit as on the date of 31-07-2014 and the period of his absence is to be treated as leave without pay.

The Board after discussion deferred the item and suggested to dismiss him from service by following proper rules.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 12

Construction of Poly houses (2 Nos) at Agricultural and Horticulture Research Station, Ullal, Mangalore

The UAHS has established the Agricultural and Horticulture Research Station, Ullal. Playhouses are needed to conduct research activities for the protected cultivation in Horticulture and also to multiply planting materials in large scale under RKVY project "Large scale Multiplication of Elite Horticultural Planting materials." The size of the poly house will be 192.00 sqm and 124.00 sqm. They are very essential to take up above activities.

The Board went through the details and deferred the Item and asked to present the details of the poly houses according to the norms existing in the Dept. of Horticulture, Government of Karnataka.

(Action: Director of Research)

Item No. 13

Guidelines for Affiliation of Colleges under UAHS, Shivamogga - Ratification.

It is decided to start affiliated Colleges under UAHS, Shivamogga, in the jurisdiction of our University (Shivamogga, Davanagere, Chitradurga, Chikkamagalur, Kodagu, Udupi and Dakshina Kannada districts). In this regard, applications were called vide ref. No.UAHS(S)/R/Affiliation/2490/ 2017-18 Date: 09-10-2017. The guidelines formulated by UASB have been adopted to start the affiliated Colleges from the registered Trusts/Societies/Institutions (details of the guidelines are enclosed). A Local inspection committee headed by the Director of Education will inspect and give a Preliminary report on feasibility of starting an affiliated College. The guidelines issued from the parent university i.e. University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru were adopted by UAHS while calling for applications. The proposal has already been approved in the 16th Academic Council Meeting held on 26-02-2018. Hence, this agenda item is placed before the Board of Management for discussion and ratification.

The Board deferred the Item for the time being.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 14

Proposal for affiliation of new Agricultural College under Shree Channappa Swamy Vidyapeetha (R) (SCSV), Honnali.

At present, University of Agricultural & Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga has four constituent Colleges out of which only one is an College of Agriculture. UAHS has no affiliated colleges at present. There is a provision under Chapter – VII (Affiliation of Colleges and Recognition of Institutions) of University of Agricultural Sciences amendment act, 2012 for affiliation of Colleges to the University. Acting upon the communication from Principal

Secretary (Agriculture), GoK, a notification was issued in the newspapers/ website along with the detailed guidelines for affiliation of new Colleges (Ref.: Registrar Notification No. UAHS(S)/ R/ Affiliation/2490/2017-18 dated 09-10-2017) calling for applications for affiliation. The guidelines issued from the parent university i.e. University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru were adopted by UAHS while calling for applications.

Only one application from Shree Channappa Swamy Vidyapeetha (R.) a registered society was received (Ref.: ಹ್ರಮಾಂಕ: ಶ್ರೀ ಚ. ವಿ. ಪೀಠ/ ಕೃಷಿ 01/2017–18 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10-11-2017) for starting an Agricultural College at Honnali. The Society proposed to offer B.Sc. (Ag.) program under affiliation to UAHS, Shivamogga. Subsequently, the University constituted a Local Inspection Committee to look into the availability of infrastructure, land, etc., and give recommendations on the feasibility of starting the proposed new affiliated College at Honnali. The Committee visited the location proposed by SCSV for starting of a new College on 19-02-2018. Visits to college buildings, hostels, field were made and a review meeting was also held with office bearers of the Society. The report of the Committee and the proposal for affiliation was approved for further consideration of the Board of Management in the 16th Academic Council Meeting held on 26-02-2018. Hence, the proposal.

The Board deferred the Item.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 15

Revision of academic regulations for award of Gold medal to UG students of Horticulture degree.

As per the Academic information and regulations (item No. 20.0 of page no. 38-39) of UAHS, Shivamogga, the University is supposed to award only one gold medal along with a Certificate of merit to the deserving student in every degree programme who secures the highest OGPA at the end of his/her degree programme. The eligible student has to satisfy the requirements as stipulated in UAHS, Academic information and regulation (20.1 to 20.4, vide page No. 38-39). However, since last 3 convocations University has given away one gold medal for each B.Sc. (Hort.) Degree of CoH, Mudigere and Hiriyur separately for those who have secured highest OGPA in the respective campus. Now, it is proposed to award only single Gold Medal for B.Sc.(Hort.) Degree. The proposal has already been approved in the 16th Academic Council Meeting held on 26-02-2018. Hence, the proposal.

The Board after critical evaluation approved the Item.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 16

Increasing remuneration for External Examiner for question paper setting from existing Rs. 1000 to Rs. 2000 from 2018-19.

If the pattern of question paper to be set by external examiner for external examination is changed to objective type - 25 marks and subjective type - 25 marks, it calls for more attention and hard work to set questions. To encourage accepting question paper setting, remuneration has to be increased from existing Rs. 1000 to 2000. The hike in remuneration (Rs. 2000/-) is already in vogue in UAS, Bangalore. The proposal has already been approved in the 15th Academic Council Meeting held on 18/12/2017. Hence, the proposal.

The Board approved the Item, however, suggested to increase the remuneration as per the provisions made in the Academic Council.

Approval of the revision of honorarium and other allowances of Diploma in Agriculture Extension for Input Dealers (DAESI) conducted at the College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga.

Since 2007-08, DAESI programme is being conducted at the College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga and from time to time the honorarium to resource persons and allowances of the staff are revised. Further, State Department of Agriculture and MANAGE, Hyderabad are also conducting DAESI programme and they are offering higher honorarium to resource persons and allowances to the staff members as compared to DAESI programme organised at UAHS, Shivamogga. Except UAHS, Shivamogga no other Universities in Karnataka conducting this type of DAESI Programme. Hence, honorarium to resource persons and allowances to the staff may be revised as mentioned below. The proposal has already been approved in the 16th Academic Council Meeting held on 26-02-2018. Hence, the proposal.

CI		Existing	Revised
Sl.	Details	Remuneration	Remuneration
No.		Charges (Rs.)	Charges (Rs.)
1	Resource person from UAHS	500/lecture	1000/lecture
2	Resource person from outside UAHS	600/lecture	1000/lecture
	with in Shivamogga city	-17-50	
3	Resource person from outside UAHS	700/lecture	1250/lecture
	outside Shivamogga city		
4	Coordinator	2000 per month	3000 per month
5	Assistant Coordinator	1250 per month	2000 per month
6	Supporting staff	500 per month	750 per month
7	Driver	200 per trip	300 per trip
8	Assistant (to write cash book and	750 per month	1000 per month
· 6	records)		

The Board approved the Item, however, suggested to increase the remuneration as per the provisions made in the Academic Council.

(Action: Registrar)

Other issues discussed

- 1. To reserve 17.85% of the tenders to SC/ST candidates as per the tender received.
- 2. To relieve Mr. Raghuram Shetty, Executive Engineer & In charge Estate Officer from Executive Engineer and also suggested to write to the Government to depute an Engineer having longer service up to 3 years.
- 3. Promotion to the Non-teaching staff may be issued by following Rule '32'.
- 4. Board suggested the Vice Chancellor to hand over the charges of Director of Education to another officer as per the regulations to reduce the burden of Vice Chancellor.

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Minutes of the 25th Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 26-03-2018 at Room No. 252, Office of the Secretary Agriculture, Government of Karnataka, 2nd Block, 2nd Floor, M.S. Building, Bengaluru.

Bom minute

Members Present

1. 12	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga	Chairman
2.	The Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, GoK represented by	Member
	Deputy Secretary (Agri), Dept. of Agriculture, GOK	or legismesics ad 1.
3.	The Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department, GoK	Member
4.	Dr. S. Bhaskar, Assistant Director General (AFF & CC)	Member
5.	Prof. Dr. V. Veerabhadraiah	Member
6.	Mrs. Neetu Y. Patil	Member
7.	Sri. B.A. Ramesh Hegde	Member
8.	Sri. M.H. Chandrappa	Member
9.	Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga	Member
10.	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga	Member Secretary

Members Absent

1.	The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GoK	Member
2.	Sri. Kimmane Rathnakar	Member

At the outset, Dr. P. Narayanswamy, Chairman and Member Secretary of the Board, UAHS, Shivamogga extended a warm welcome to all the Members to the 25th Meeting of Board of Management.

PART- 'B'

Agenda items for 25th Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary, and the following decisions were arrived at.

Items

Item No. 1

The Budget Estimate of UAHS, Shivamogga for the year 2018-19 and Revised Budget Estimate for the year 2017-18

The Budget estimate of UAHS(S) for the year 2018-19 has been prepared based on the Grants allocated from Govt. of Karnataka, taking into account the anticipated internal receipts UAHS(S), with the main aim of implementing programme under Education, Research and extension activities, UAHS, Shivamogga during the year 2018-19.

The Board discussed the Item at length and approved the Item, with a suggestion to put up the details of the civil works of more than Rs. 10 lakhs estimate for discussion and decision of the Board. And also directed the University to utilise the budget for upgrading the underdeveloped stations to help the farmers.

(Action: Comptroller)

Providing University General Scholarship to M.Sc. and Ph.D. students who do not have any other financial assistance.

Many of the M.Sc. and Ph.D. students do not have any financial assistance from the first year of study and are facing hardships to continue their higher studies. The existing practice of financial assistance through Staff Research Project (SRP) is only for the 2nd year students that too whenever a Principal Investigator is sanctioned a project. Since, the cost of higher education has escalated; students of Agricultural Universities from rural backgrounds need to be encouraged to pursue their higher studies by providing such scholarships. It is proposed to provide scholarships at Rs. 1,500/- pm for M.Sc. and Rs. 2,000/- pm for Ph.D. students having no other financial assistance/scholarship/fellowship. The UAS, Bengaluru, which is parent university is awarding similar financial assistance from the academic year 2017-18. The students admitted under NRI quota to PG degree programs are not eligible to get the scholarship. This proposal was placed in the 24th BOM meeting. The Members of the Board suggested to work out the expenditure for an year to the University. The revised proposal is placed once again for kind perusal and approval of the Board of Management. The expenditure can be met out under the general funds received by Govt. of Karnataka. The guidelines for award of General Scholarship were approved in the 9th Board Of Studies (Post Graduate) meeting held on 04-12-2017 and 15th Academic Council Meeting held on 18-12-2017.

The Board discussed the subject in detail and approved as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Dean (PGS)

Item No. 3

Financial permission for procurement of Automatic Aerial Spraying Drones.

Under the <u>Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana</u> an amount of Rs.35,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty Five lakhs only) is sanctioned for Standardizing the use of robotics for spraying / release of parasites, predators out of which an amount of Rs.21,75,000/- (Rupees Twenty one lakhs seventy five thousand only) is allocated for procurement of Automatic Aerial Spraying Drones with following specifications through e-tender process. The Automatic Aerial Spraying Drone unit will be used at UAHS, Navile, Shimoga.

The specifications of the Automatic Aerial Spraying Drones are: while flying below the canopies of tall palms; carbon fiber quad copter with minimum endurance of 30 minutes and payload of 5 Kg; spray bar mechanism; ground control station; RGB sensor with live output; and standard accessories.

The Board approved the Item after detailed discussion.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 4

Financial permission for procurement of four Fully Automated Hydroponics Units of 250 Kg per day capacity and one fully Automated Hydroponics Unit of 500 Kg per day capacity.

Under the <u>Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana</u> an amount of Rs.50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakhs only) is earmarked to carry out research and demonstration of Hydroponics fodder production technology out of which Rs.45,00,000/- (fourty five lakhs only) is allocated for procurement of Fully Automated Hydroponics Units. Hence, the hydroponics units with following specification will be procured through e-tender process. Four fully automated Hydroponics

units of 250 kg capacity per day one each for AHRS, Bavikere, ZAHRS, Shimoga, AHRS, Kathalagere and OFRC, Shivamogga will be procured. The cost of each unit is Rs.8,00,000/-(Rupees eight lakhs only). The specifications are, Model: EFT-GC-250, Type: CR, Days / Cycle: 8, Trays / Day: 22, Seed I/P Kg / Day: 35, Ideal conversion ratio: 7, Average O/P Kg / Day: 250, Water Tank capacity (External Tank): 750, Machine Dimension: 8x16x8, Platform size (Cemented platform): 14x25, Water Requirement: 1.2 liter / KG/Day, Power requirement (Units/Day): 20-28 units and Connected load: (2.2KW-2.5KW).

In addition one Fully Automated Hydroponics Unit with 500 Kg per day capacity will be procured for ZAHRS, Hiriyur with the following specifications, Model: EFT-GC-500, Type: CR, Days / Cycle: 8, Trays / Day: 46, Seed I/P Kg / Day: 75, Ideal conversion ratio: 7, Average O/P Kg / Day: 500, Water Tank capacity (External Tank):1500, Machine Dimension: 8x33x8, Platform size (Cemented platform):14x43, Water Requirement: 1.2 liter / KG/Day, Power requirement (Units/Day): 24-32 units and Connected load: (3.5KW-4 KW).

The cost of 500 kg capacity unit is Rs.11,00,000/-

The total cost of all the 5 Hydroponics units will be Rs.43.00 lakhs

The Board after detailed discussion approved the Item.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 5

Financial permission for procurement of laptops under SCSP / TSP scheme in the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Navile, Shivamogga.

As per the Government of Karnataka policy, 24.1% of the plan budget has to be earmarked for the welfare of SC & ST students (17.15% under SCSP scheme and 6.95% under TSP scheme). During 2017-18, at UAHS, Shivamogga 78 students belonging to SC and 20 belonging to ST, were selected for UG and PG Programmes. Government of Karnataka has allocated a total of Rs.100 lakhs (Rupees one hundred lakhs only) for procurement of laptops, Extra Boarding and Lodging charges, out of this Rs.75.00 lakhs (Rupees seventy five lakhs only) under SCSP is earmarked for the welfare of SC students and Rs.25.00 lakhs (Rupees twenty five lakhs only) under TSP for the welfare of ST students. Out of the available grants, laptops are to be procured and distributed to 78 SC students studying in the I Year under SCSP scheme & 20 laptops are to be procured for ST students. Hence, permission of the Board is needed for incurring expenditure.

The Board after detailed discussion approved the Item with a suggestion that the procedure followed at Social Welfare Department, Government of Karnataka must be followed in the purchase of laptops. However, the Board suggested to examine the possibility of extending such benefits to general category students also.

(Action: Director of Education & Estate Officer)

Item No. 6

Establishment of Pesticide Residue Laboratory for Monitoring and Assuring Quality of Soil, Water and Food at UAHS, Shivamogga.

The pesticide residues are detected in soil, water and food products more than their limits of concentration due to more of chemical farming and indiscriminate use of agrochemicals in today's modern agriculture practices. A potential hazard to consumers from contaminated food with pesticide residues is currently a major public health concern. Excessive exposure to some pesticides may cause acute adverse health effects. Pollution of soil and water and food contamination is the major problem caused by unscientific use of pesticides and will be

addressed through constant monitoring of residue levels in soils, water and food materials.

To achieve this, a Pesticide Residue Analysis Laboratory will be equipped with High Sensitivity Liquid Chromatography - Mass Spectrophotometer (LS-MS/MS) Triple Quadruple System at UAHS, Shivamogga with an aim to analyze pesticide residues in soils, waters and food samples like fruits and vegetables submitted by farmers at UAHS, Shivamogga. However, presently no such facility has been created for the analysis of residues of pesticides in soils, waters and food produce.

Based on analysis of large number of food samples (fruits, vegetables) and soils, permissible tolerance limits of pesticide residues in soil, water, crops and food commodities will be prescribed for the benefit of farming community and public as per WHO standards.

The Board approved the Item as put up in the agenda.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 7

Guidelines for Affiliation of Colleges under UAHS, Shivamogga - Ratification.

Guidelines for affiliation of Colleges under UAHS, Shivamogga, in the jurisdiction of our University (Shivamogga, Davanagere, Chitradurga, Chikkamagalur, Kodagu, Udupi and Dakshina Kannada districts) are presented before the Board. In this regard, applications were called vide ref. No.UAHS(S)/R/Affiliation/2490/ 2017-18 Date: 09-10-2017. The guidelines formulated by UASB have been adopted to start the affiliated Colleges from the registered Trusts/Societies/Institutions.

The Board after detailed discussion, suggested to seek approval to the guidelines by the Government.

(Action: Registrar)

Other Issues discussed

1. Mr. Ramesh Hegde, Hon'ble Member of Board of Management, raised the issue of giving promotion of Mr. Gurudatta, Lab Asst., Collage of Agriculture, Shivamogga.

(Action: Registrar)

2. Mrs. Neetu Patil, Hon'ble Member of Board of Management, enquired about handing over the charge of Director of Education of Vice Chancellor to reduce the burden.

(Action: Vice Chancellor)

The Board suggested to present the activities of the University in the next Board Meeting.

(Action: Vice Chancellor)

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