

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

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| 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

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| 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.

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 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 become 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: Registrar)

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, perdiem, 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 KTTTP 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.

(Action: Registrar)

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.

i)	ZAHRS, Mudigere –	28.20
ii)	AHRS, Bhavikere -	28.20
iii)	AHRS, Kademadkal -	14.10
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 ಗೂಪ್ 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: ಕೃಇ 13 ಕೃವಿವಿ 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)

Item No. 6**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, Hiriyyur 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, Hiriyyuru, ZAHRS, Mudigere, COH, Hiriyyuru, 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, Hiriyyuru, ZAHRS, Mudigere, COH, Hiriyyuru, KVK, Shivamogga, AHRS, Shringeri, AHRS, Ullal and AHRS, Madikeri. Nitrogen distillation apparatus (4 Nos.) are to be provided to ZAHRS, Hiriyyuru, COH, Hiriyyuru, 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 unauthorisedly 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.ಶಾಸಲ.ಗೃ.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 ಮತ್ತು

3. ಸೂಚನಾ ಪತ್ರ ಸಂ:ಕೃತೋಸಂಕೇಂ/ತೀರ್ಥಹಳ್ಳಿ/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.: ಕ್ರಮಾಂಕ: ಶ್ರೀ ಚ. ಎ. 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 Hiriya 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.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 17

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.

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

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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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