

Minutes of the 9th Meeting of Board of Management, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held at 03:00 PM on 08th January, 2016 in the meeting hall of the Vice-Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga.

Members present:

1. Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Vice-Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga and Chairman, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
2. The Principal Secretary, Agriculture Department, GOK and Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
3. The Deputy Secretary, Finance Department, GOK and Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
4. Sri. Ashwath Narayana, MLC & Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
5. Dr. T. K. Siddarama Gowda, Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
6. Dr. H. L. Harish, Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
7. Dr. N. A. Prakash, Dean (Forestry) and Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga.
8. Dr. M. S. Vignesh, Registrar and Member-Secretary, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga.

Members who expressed their inability to attend/not present

1. The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GOK and Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga.
2. Dr. Abraham Verghese, Director, NBAIR, Hebbal, Bangalore and Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga

At the outset, Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Vice-Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga and Chairman, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga extended warm welcome to all the Members for 9th Meeting of Board of Management. With the permission of the chair, the Registrar and Member-Secretary, Board of Management presented the action taken report of the 8th Meeting of BOM held on 4th December 2015.

PART – A

The Vice-Chancellor and Chairman requested to confirm the Minutes of 8th Meeting of Board of Management and the Action Taken Report. The ATR was approved with following suggestions from the Hon'ble Members.

Item No. 9: Enhancement of Honorarium for External Experts and Dignitaries at UAHS, Shivamogga.

The Board approved and Suggested to adopt the norms and guidelines of the Agricultural Price Commission, Government of Karnataka in this regard.

(Action: Comptroller and Registrar).

Item No.21. of the Action taken Report on the minutes of the 6th BOM was revoked. After detailed discussion the Board approved the proposal for implementing the promotional opportunities for field & lab assistants by upgrading 1/3 of the existing vacancies of field / lab assistants in accordance with the UAS Notification No.:R/D/2,dtd:15.September.1981. The BOM suggested the University to send a proposal in this regard to the Govt., for permission.**(Action: Registrar)**

The Board confirmed the Minutes of 8th Meeting of Board of Management held on 4th December 2015 with corresponding action taken by the University.

PART-B

Agenda Items for 9th Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary and the following decisions were arrived at.

Item No. 1: Construction of indoor games building for College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga.
The construction of indoor games hall is very much necessary for both students staff of Agriculture college. The campus is in semi Malnad area and there is continuous rain fall during Monsson hence it is very much necessary. The estimated proposal is for Rs. 150 lakhs for a built up area of 819.25 Sqmtr. Provision is made for indoor basketball, shuttle cock, ball badminton with wooden flooring., gallery stand over the gym, toilets and dressing rooms. Budget provision is made in the budget of 2015-2016; State and University budget under creation of assets. Rs. 150.00 Lakhs as per the Estimate.
The Board gave administrative approval to the proposal. However, it is suggested to submit estimates to the Principal Secretary, Agriculture, for getting technical approval from the competent authority / PWD, Government of Karnataka.
(Action:Estate Officer)

Item No. 2: Construction of Diploma College at Kathalagere, Davangere.
The university has established Diploma college at Kathalagere, Davangere from 2012-13. It is very much necessary to construct college building for the students of the diploma course. Hence, it is propped to construct college building with a plinth area of 123 Sqm. The proposed College building will be having two class rooms, 2 laboratories, small library and the administrative section with toilet facilities, etc. Budget provision is made in the budget of 2015-2016; State and University budget under creation of assets. Rs. 235.00 Lakhs as per the Estimate.
The Board gave administrative approval to the proposal. However, it is suggested to submit estimates to the Principal Secretary, Agriculture, for getting technical approval from the competent authority / PWD, Government of Karnataka.
(Action:Estate Officer)

Item No. 3: Construction of Girls Hostel for diploma students, Brahmavar, Udupi.
The university has established diploma college at Brahmavar from 2013-14 for about 100 students. Due to lack of space for the girls students, they are temporarily housed in the existing Guest house, hence it is proposed to construct Girls hostel building with a plinth area 264 Sqr (Ground Floor and First Floor) The New Girls hostel will be having entrance lobby, reception room, service corridor, dining, Kitchen...etc. in the Ground floor and rooms for the girls, common toilets, service corridors, Guest room...etc. in the first floor. It is also proposed to fix galvulume sheet roof over the 1st floor area. Budget provision is made in the budget of 2015-2016, State and University budget under creation of assets. Rs. 338.94 Lakhs as per the Estimate.
The Board gave administrative approval to the proposal. However, it is suggested to submit estimates to the Principal Secretary, Agriculture, for getting technical approval from the competent authority / PWD, Government of Karnataka.
(Action:Estate Officer)

Item No. 4: Extension of College building at College of Horticulture, Mudigere.
The existing college building has three floors and is not sufficient and the existing class rooms are very small. As the intake has been increased, it is very much necessary for the construction of additional class rooms and laboratories in two floors by making provision for 4 class rooms and 4 laboratories in each floor. The building is planned in two floors with comman stairs and service coorider etc.. for a plinth area of 688 Sqmtr. Budget provision is made in the budget of 2015-2016, State and University budget under creation of assets. Rs. 200.00 Lakhs as per the Estimate.
The Board gave administrative approval to the proposal. However, it is suggested to submit estimates to the Principal Secretary, Agriculture, for getting technical approval from the competent authority / PWD, Government of Karnataka. (Action:Estate Officer)

Item No. 5: Modernization of model class room for College of Horticulture, Hiriyr of UAHS, Shivamogga

Model class room is very much necessary for the students and staff of college of Horticulture, Hiriyr. There is no facility available for conducting seminar, work shop and for other academic meetings. Hence it is very much necessary to establish model class room amounting to Rs. 40.00 Lakhs. Provision is made for the acoustic proof wall panelling's, ceiling with wood grid work, wooden floor over the stage, split AC, podiums, vinyl flooring, electrical fittings and sound system, wifi-internet, seminar chairs etc., Budget provision is made in ICAR grants for the year 2015-16 Rs. 40.00 Lakhs as per the estimate.

The Board approved the above proposal to process through e-procurement only.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 6: Providing compound wall/Barbed wire fencing with RCC poles for the newly acquired land survey no 13 (160.00.acres) 1st phase at Iruvacki Anadapura Sagar Taluk.

The GOK has provided 777.07 acres of new land at Iruvacki Sagar Taluk for formation and development of new campus of the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences Shivamogga. In this regard the clear demarcation of boundary line and levelling works etc, are under progress. In the mean while it is felt very much necessary to protect the area under survey no 13, as it is identified as most vulnerable point. As such it is resolved to go for construction of compound (100 mtrs) wall with barbed wire fencing (3300mtrs approximately), to protect the area from encroachment. Therefore an estimate amounting to Rs. 55.00Lakhs is prepared based on KPWD schedule of rates 2014-15 Shivamogga circle, to go for e-procurement to taken up this work in phased manner. Budget provision made in the budget of 2015-16, State and University budget under creation of assets. Rs. 55.00Lakhs as per the Estimate.

The approval of the Board was given with a suggestion to reduce the estimated expenditure from 55 lakhs to 50 lakhs.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 7: Approval of the selection of UAHS Officers.

The process of selection of officers was carried out and subsequently interviews were conducted by the committee of external experts. The committee has prepared the panel according to the merit and in accordance with the statutes and the finalized reports are in signed and sealed envelopes which is to be opened on the floor of the Board of Management meeting for approval and finalization.

The selection committee prepared the panel of three names to each of the positions advertised and the final reports signed and sealed in the respective envelopes were opened on the floor of the Board of Management meeting and the BOM has approved the selection to the following positions as listed below:

Sl No.	Name of the Post	Candidates Name	Candidates kept in reserve
1	Registrar	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy	Dr. Basanagowda C. Patil
2	Director of Research	Dr. Manjunatha K. Naik	Dr. P. Narayanaswamy
3	Director of Extension	Dr. T.H. Gowda	Dr. Basanagowda C. Patil
4	Dean (PGS)	Dr. M. Manjunatha	Dr. T.S. Vageesh
5	Dean (Agri), Shivamogga	Dr. M. Manjunatha	Dr. T.S. Vageesh
6	Dean (Hort.), Hiriyr	Dr. R. Basavarajappa	Dr. L. Manjunatha
7	Dean (Forestry), Ponnampet	Dr. N.A. Prakash	-----
8	Dean(Hort.), Mudigere	None of the candidates attended the interview	
9	Librarian	The candidate found ineligible and hence not selected.	

The Board agreed to issue the orders forthwith pending confirmation of the minutes. The Board agreed to keep the IInd name in the panel of three as reserve. The Board also authorized the Vice-Chancellor to issue appointment order to the reserve candidate in case the selected candidate does not report within the stipulated time / gives in writing non-acceptance.

The selection for the Director of Education post is deferred and decided to go for re-advertisement.

(Action: Registrar)

Table Ajen da Item No. 1: Selection of applicants for the final interview at 1:5 ratio.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga has advertised both Teaching, Non Teaching and Technical Posts vide Notification No:UAHS(S)/R/Recruitment of teachers/805/ 2015-16, dated:08-07-2015, No: No:UAHS(S)/R/Recut. Prof & Asso. Proffessor/1084/2015-16, dated:03-08-2015 and No:UAHS(S)/R/Recut. SP & Tech. Asst./1553/2015-16, dated:15-09-2015 respectively. With a view to ensure merit and quality of selection, the proposal is made to call the candidates for the interview/ written test in the ratio of 1:5 based on merit. However, in the Notification of Non Teaching and Technical posts, it was indicated that, if the number of eligible candidates are more for any post, the short listed candidates will be called for interview in the ratio of 1:10. If the Board of Management approves the proposal of 1:5, corrigendum will be issued to the earlier Notification. To select the candidates based on ranking by merit and qualification.

The Board approved the above proposal of keeping 1:5 ratio for teaching posts and 1:10 ratio for supporting (non-teaching) staff. The modalities and guidelines need to be worked out for seeking approval of the Academic Council.

(Action: Registrar)

Table Agenda Item No. 2: Establishment of Legal Cell in the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga needs the establishment of Legal Cell to look after and manage all the legal issues such as Litigations, Court Cases, RTI etc. In these days, issues pertaining to legal matters have been increased both in terms of Volumes and contents. Though the University has a legal panel, it has become difficult to manage the legal queries, attending the cases and interpretation of the sections of both Statutes, Acts and Guidelines etc., it is in this context the Board of Management is requested to accord permission to establish a full time legal cell by empanelling one practicing Advocate with LLM degree.

The Board approved the above proposal. The details in this regard need to be worked out and the Vice-Chancellor was authorised to take decision on modalities and implementation including financial implications.

(Action: Registrar)

Table Agenda Item No. 3: Land and building allotment to PPV and FRA (Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers Rights Authority), New Delhi and land allotment to KSNDMC (Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre), Bengaluru.

The Government of India is taking steps to develop new varieties of plants from the breeders and the farmers through an established effective system for the potential plant varieties. This institute already has two branches in the country and is willing to establish the third Branch Office at UAHS, Shivamogga. This centre wishes to increase the production of new varieties, recognize and protect the rights of the farmers for conserving, improving and making available plant genetic resources for the improvement and future development. This enhances the integration of product, economic and health improvements. It enables the investments for producing better quality health supplements at this region. In this regard, this institute has requested the University to spare 20 acres of land. Similarly, KSNDMC, Bengaluru also has requested the University to spare 12' x 12' sized land for building and housing, seismic equipment and related accessories at ZAHRS, Brahmavar. This station would identify and forecast the information pertaining to earthquake and cracking, leading to the formation of cracks and caves in Udupi district. Both PPV and FRA and KSNDMC have requested the following land and buildings:

Sl.No.	Institution	Infrastructure	Area	Place
1	PPV &FRA, New Delhi	Land and Building	20 acres	Shivamogga
2	KSNDMC, Bengaluru	Land	12'x12'	ZAHRS, Brahmavar

The Board suggested the University to wait for the orders of the Govt., with regard to allotment of land and building to PPV &FRA, New Delhi, however, land of 12X12 feet to KSNDMC, Bengaluru was approved. The Board also approved the proposal of IAT, Shivamogga branch for earmarking 40X60 feet site in the UAHS, Shivamogga campus for establishing a regional center of IAT on MOU basis for mutual benefits. (Action: Registrar & Estate Officer)

Table Agenda Item No. 4: Purchase of new Seed Processing Unit to Agricultural and Horticultural Research Station, Kathalagere.

The Senior Farm Superintendent, AHRS, Kathalagere has requested to constitute a Committee for making processing unit unserviceable since the unit is very old (1984 model) and having the problems of frequent breakdown of bearings, unbalanced sieve boat, improper alignment and frequent cutting of belt. He expressed that under the above problems it is not possible to process the seeds with the existing unit. In this connection, University has constituted a Committee and the Committee has suggested to replace the same by purchasing new one. In this regard, University has also permitted to auction the unit. The Special Officer (Seeds), UAHS, Shivamogga has submitted the technical specifications and the present cost of supplying and installation of Seed Processing Unit of one supplier as the base for obtaining Board approval. Hence, it is proposed to purchase the new Seed Processing Unit to AHRS, Kathalagere. There is a budgetary provision of Rs. 150.00 lakhs under AB/AC No. 550007, DAC 880 of AHRS, Kathalagere for the year 2015-16 for the replacement of Seed Processing Unit.

The Board approved the above proposal and the procurement has to be made through e-procurement process. (Action: Estate Officer)

Table Agenda Item No. 5: Relaxation of the maximum age limit prescribed for applying to the posts under Direct Recruitment of service personnel and technical posts (Non teaching) from 40 years to 50 years for DRE / MRE / Temporary / Contract workers of UAHS, Shivamogga.

This University has advertised for recruitment of Service personnel (Supporting Staff) and Technical posts as per this office Notification No. UAHS(S)/R/Rectt. SP & Tech. Asst. / 1533 /2015-16, dated: 15-09-2015 for which the last date for submission of application is 30-10-2015. Further this University is following the cadre and recruitment regulations of service personnel as well as technical post of UAS, Bengaluru for the time being in all respects on the basis of the UAS, Bengaluru C&R Regulations and this University has fixed the maximum age limit as 40 years for applying. The UAS, Bengaluru has issued a Notification vide No. AO/ RSP/ Adv./ KVK-Schemes-College/ Dir. Rectt./2013-14, dated: 11-07-2013 and relaxed the maximum age limit to the service personnel posts under Direct Recruitment to 50 Years for the DRE/ MRE/ Temporary/ Contract Workers working in the University. The Temporary workers have submitted the Memorandum with a request for relaxation of age limit upto 50 years as being done by UAS, Bengaluru. The Notification and Memorandum of Temporary employee's is placed for kind perusal of Board of Management. This agenda was placed in the 7th BOM and the Board has decided to refer the matter to the Govt., Accordingly, the University had sent a letter to the Govt., seeking clarification / approval. Again this issue was revoked in the 9th BOM and hence the proposal.

The Board examined the proposal and held detailed discussion on the issue. The Board approved the proposal for enhancing the age of eligibility of DRE/MRE/Contract workers in the UAHS, Shivamogga to 50 years as per UAS, Bangalore Notification No.:Ao/RSP/Adv./KVK-Schemes – College/Dir.Rectt/2013-14, dated: 11-07-2013. However the Board requested Vice-Chancellor to send a proposal in this regard to the Govt., for taking appropriate decision. (Action: Registrar)

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