

Minutes of the 8th Meeting of Board of Management, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held at 4 PM on 04th December, 2015 in the office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka, 3rd Block, 4th Floor, M.S. Building, Bengaluru

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 Principal Secretary, Finance Department, GOK and Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
4. Dr. T. K. Siddarame Gowda, Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
5. Sri. Ashwath Narayana, MLC & Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
6. Dr. Abraham Verghese, Director, NBAIR, Hebbal, Bangalore and Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
7. Dr. H. L. Harish, Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga
8. Dr. N. A. Prakash, Dean (Forestry) and Member, Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga.
9. 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.

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 8th 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 7th Meeting of BOM held on 18th October 2015.

PART - A

The Vice-Chancellor and Chairman requested to confirm the Minutes of 7th Meeting of Board of Management and the Action Taken Report. The ATR was approved with following suggestions from the Hon'ble Members.

1. Item No. 3: 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.

Letter seeking clarification / permission from the GOK is enclosed.

(Action: Registrar)

2. Item No. 6: 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

Letter seeking permission from the GOK is enclosed.

(Action: Director of Research and Registrar)

The Board confirmed the Minutes of 7th Meeting of Board of Management held on 18th October 2015 with corresponding action taken by the University.

PART-B

Agenda Items for 8th 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. The financial involvement will be Rs. 150.00 Lakhs as per the Estimate.

The Board suggested for technical scrutiny of the estimate by the competent authority and to submit the same to the Board of Management for approval.

(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. The financial involvement will be Rs. 235.00 Lakhs as per the Estimate.

The Board suggested for technical scrutiny of the estimate by the competent authority and to submit the same to the Board of Management for approval.

(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 Sq (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. The financial involvement will be Rs. 338.94 Lakhs as per the Estimate.

The Board suggested for technical scrutiny of the estimate by the competent authority and to submit the same to the Board of Management for approval.

(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 common stairs and service corridor 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. The financial involvement will be Rs. 200.00 Lakhs as per the Estimate.

The Board suggested for technical scrutiny of the estimate by the competent authority and to submit the same to the Board of Management for approval.

(Action: Estate Officer)

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

Model class room is very much necessary for the students and staff of college of Horticulture, Hiriyyur. 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. The financial involvement will be Rs. 40.00 Lakhs as per the estimate.

The Board suggested for technical scrutiny of the estimate by the competent authority and to submit the same to the Board of Management for approval.

(Action: Estate Officer)

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

The GOK has provided 777.07 acres of new land at Iruvakkki 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 Board deferred the decision and suggested to get report from the survey department regarding the extent of the land for the erection of Compound wall / Barbed wire fencing.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 7: Providing budget for meeting Hospitality and Hotel accommodation charges of VVIP's/ VIP's / Other Dignitaries visiting University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, for Meetings / Seminars / Symposiums / Other Ceremonial functions.

For the present the existing guest house at the college campus is undergoing renovation works with construction of 1st floor, as such the delegates / dignitaries invited to attend meetings / Seminars / Symposiums at University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga campus are to be provided with boarding, lodging and conveyance facilities outside the campus.

Therefore, to meet the Hospitality Charges, it is requested to make provision under the budget in the revised budget estimates 2015-16. For kind permission to provide budget to the Estate Branch, until the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences guest house renovation works and construction of 1st floor are completed and furnished for services. To meet Hospitality and Hotel accommodation charges of Dignitaries those who are invited to attend the Meetings / Seminars / Symposiums / Other Ceremonial functions at University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga campus to a maximum of Rs.3,000/- per day. The financial involvement Rs.5.00 lakh may be provided out of Plan grants 2015-16.

The Board approved the item and suggested to meet the expenditure under UAHS, Shivamogga own fund (Internal resource).

(Action: Comptroller and Registrar)

Item No. 8: Entrustment of Internal auditing to Karnataka Institute of public Auditors, Bangalore, on the accounts of ZAHRS/AHRS/Colleges under the jurisdiction of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The Newly formed University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, started functioning on full fledged basis w.e.f 01.04.2013. The Grants provided by Government of Karnataka under Plan and Non- Plan during 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15, were allocated by Comptroller's office to various Research Stations / Colleges under University of Agricultural

and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, as per programme scheduled in respect of research/teaching and other academic activities as per directions of Special Officer/Vice-Chancellor. The expenditure incurred at various centres since 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 should have been subjected to internal auditing by the establishment of Comptroller's office, prior to the regular Audit of accounts every year by the statutory auditors viz... State Accounts Department, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore. But, owing to lack of adequate regular supervisory and supporting staff to undertake internal auditing of accounts by the Comptroller's office establishment, it is resolved to entrust the same to the Karnataka Institute of Public Auditors, Bangalore, who have communicated their acceptance to our office, indicating terms and conditions with regard to the payment of monthly remuneration to their establishment. Depending upon the period of audit covered/required at the rate specified by the KIPA, Bangalore.

The Board approved the proposal.

(Action: Comptroller)

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

External Experts and Dignitaries are frequently invited to the University to seek their expertise in different areas of knowledge and activity. The payment of honorarium is a general practice for guests invited for Board of Management, Finance Committee, Academic Council, Extension Council, Research Council, Sports and Cultural Council, External Examiners to conduct interviews, to seek expert consultancy, guest lectures and such other teaching, research, extension and administrative functions.

So far Rs. 1000/- (One Thousand) is paid per day as honorarium. The proposal is made to enhance the honorarium from Rs. 1000/- to Rs. 2000/- per day, as being done by University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru.

The Board suggested to send the proposal on the lines of the decision taken by UAS, Bengaluru in their Board of Management meeting to the Government for taking permission.

(Action: Comptroller and Registrar)

Item No. 10: Proposal to reallocate the budget allotted under New Programmes for the year 2015-16 for Research and Development.

The Government of Karnataka has sanctioned an amount of Rs. 635.00 lakhs for the implementation of eleven new research projects under the Agricultural and Horticultural Research during the year 2015-16. Accordingly, an amount of Rs. 452.50 has been already allotted to the scientists for the implementation. However, the University is facing technical difficulties to implement the following programmes due to the non availability of land.

SN	Particulars	Amount (Rs. In lakhs)
1	Cashew improvement programme at Sagara	12.50
2	Development of new research stations at Madapura and Ayanur	150.00
Total		162.50

Hence, it is proposed to suggest the alternative programmes for said budget. The University is suggesting the following alternative proposals instead of the above said programmes

Sl. No.	Particulars	Amount (Rs. In lakhs)
1	Solar hub at Navile, Shivamogga	162.50
2	To provide power backup for four Tissue culture laboratories at Rs. 5.00 Lakhs each out of savings from Hi-Tech horticulture centre at Madikeri ❖ Biotechnology Department, Shivamogga ❖ Department of GPB, Shivamogga ❖ College of Horticulture, Hiriyyur ❖ College of Horticulture, Mudigere	20.00
Total		182.50

The Board approved the proposal and suggested to discuss the solar power project with KRADLE of GOK for taking desired action.

(Action: Directorate of Research, Comptroller and Registrar)

Item No. 11: 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 Board deferred the item and suggested to place the issue in the next Board of Management Meeting.

The Board deferred the item and suggested to place the issue in the next Board of Management Meeting.

(Action: Registrar)

M.S.L. [Signature]
Registrar
(M. S. Vignesh)
**University of Agricultural
& Horticultural Sciences**
Shivamogga-577 204