Minutes of the 12th Meeting of Board of Management, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 04-06-2016 in the Office of the Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, Government of Karnataka, 3rd Block, 4th Floor, M.S. Building, Bengaluru.

Members present

Dr. C. Vasudevappa, Vice-Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga	:	Chairman
The Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, GoK		Member
The Deputy Secretary, Finance Department, GoK		Member
Sri. Ashwath Narayana, Member of Legislative Council, GOK		Member
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Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga		Member
		Member Secretary
	The Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, GoK	The Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, GoK The Deputy Secretary, Finance Department, GoK Sri. Ashwath Narayana, Member of Legislative Council, GOK Dr. T. K. Siddarame Gowda, Former Director of Instruction (PGS) Dr. H. L. Harish, Agro-Industrialist Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga

Members who expressed their inability to attend/not present

1. The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GoK : Member

At the outset, Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar & Member Secretary, UAHS, Shivamogga welcomed all the Members to the 12th Meeting of Board of Management and requested the Chairman to conduct the meeting. Following is the Action Taken Report of the 11th meeting of BOM held on 30.4.2016.

PART-'A'

The Vice Chancellor and Chairman requested to confirm the minutes of 11th meeting of the BOM and the Action Taken Report. The ATR was approved with the following suggestions from the Hon'ble members of the Board.

All the items under ATR were approved. Further, there was a suggestion to submit a new DPR for Rs. 5.00 crores for the establishment of 'Farm Machinery Training and Testing Institute at ZAHRS, Hiriyur, Chitradurga district under the Table Agenda Item No. 4.

PART-B

Agenda Items for 12th Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary. The following decisions were arrived at.

<u>Item No. 1:</u> Re-Notification for Recruitment of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Service Personnel Posts in University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga has advertised the posts of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Service Personnel for recruitment. The University has made the roster for Teaching and Non Teaching Posts taking into the consideration of local cadre (HK region cadre). However, there was a representation from Chairman Minority Commission, Bengaluru. Then a letter was received from DPAR to submit the reservation details followed for further verification. In this regard, a letter was received from DPAR indicating anomalies in the reservation. Hence, a request was made to DPAR, to depute an official for setting right the reservation roaster taking into consideration of the local cadre and the residual parent cadres. Consequently the Joint Secretary, HK region Special Cell, DPAR, Bengaluru has suggested to modify the reservation roster for Local and Residual parent cadres. The revised roster of Teaching and Non Teaching Posts is putup for the kind perusal and approval of the Board. To rationalize the recruitment Process of Teaching and Non Teaching Posts it is necessary to modify the roster for Local and residual cadre Persons as suggested by the joint secretary, HK Special Cell, DPAR, Bengaluru.

The details of the modified roster were presented by taking into consideration of Residual Parent Cadre and Local Cadres. The Board after thorough discussion approved the modified and revised roster as suggested by DPAR.

(Action: Registrar)

<u>Item No. 2:</u> Adoption of modified selection process and Score Card for recruitment of Carpenter's Post under 'C" Group.

In pursuance of the decision taken in the 24th Coordination Committee Meeting of all the Farm Universities held on 11-03-2016, modified Score Card for recruitment of 'C' group Posts without interview was approved in the 10th BOM held on 15-03-2016. But for the post of Carpenter which comes under 'C' group, the selection process and Score Card were not included in the proposal. Now the selection process and Score Card for Carpenter Post have been proposed according to Junior Technician (C-group) Score Card.

The proposal was presented and approved.

(Action: Registrar)

<u>Item No. 3</u>: Adoption of selection process and Score Card for recruitment of group 'A" Posts in University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga on par with UAS, Bengaluru.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga has advertised for recruitment of various categories of Non Teaching Posts including group 'A' Posts. At present, this University has no guidelines and Score Card for Group 'A' Service Personnel. Therefore the office of the Registrar has made efforts to collect the required information like guidelines and Score Card of the Service Personnel (group 'A' Posts) of UAS, Bengaluru to place before the scrutiny Committee for scrutiny of applications on the basis of the Score Card and to decide eligibility criteria of the candidates before calling for interview/selection process. Further, the University is following the cadre and recruitment regulations of Service Personnel framed by UAS, Bengaluru for

the time being in all respects. The guidelines and Score Card received from UAS, Bengaluru for kind perusal and approval of the Board.

After the presentation the proposal was approved but, with a suggestion to distribute the marks allotted to personality test to the other particulars in the score card.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 4: Organizing study tour to East and North Eastern India for the Hon'ble Members of the Board of Management (4 no's.) of UAHS, Shivamogga.

University is planning to organize study tour to East and North Eastern India for the Hon'ble Members of the Board of Management (4 no's. viz., Sri. Ashwath Narayana, Dr. H.L. Harish, Dr. T.K. Siddarame Gowda and Official Member Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), College of Agriculture, Shivamogga) of UAHS, Shivamogga to study and understand the innovations in precision Agriculture/Horticulture and other innovative Agri./Hort. technologies adopted by the North East Indian farmers.

Since, the total expenditure falls within Rs.10.00 lakhs, the Board suggested the Vice-Chancellor to approve the item.

(Action: Registrar / Vice-chancellor)

<u>Item No. 5:</u> Sending PG students for Summer Courses/ Training Programmes outside the country

Summer courses and training programmes are being conducted by various research organizations /Universities abroad. The organizers of the programmes do not charge any fee for attending the courses but the participants have to attend these programmes at their own cost covering airfare and food charges. The programs are of importance to the students to update their knowledge and expertise in their subject. In this regard, it is necessary that UAHS, Shivamogga has to provide permission to the interested students to attend these types of programmes if possible during the study period without affecting the course work and research work during their participation. The University is offering PG courses in Agriculture, Horticulture and Forestry. Many PG students are getting exposed to various training programmes, conferences and workshops during their study period.

The Board has approved the proposal as a special case. Hence forth such items should be first placed before the Academic Council and submit the same for further approval by Board. The Board also suggested to develop guidelines for facilitating student participation in international trainings/ workshops.

(Action: Dean (PGS))

Item No. 6: Permission to sell the rice crop/variety seed at subsidised rates accepted by KSDA

Currently KSSC has been authorised to participate in the tender process for the purpose of supplying seeds to KSDA at the subsidised rates decided by KSDA, which will inturn sell the seeds to the farmers at subsidised rates through RSKs. It is also in practice that the same crop/variety seed is also being sold by the Universities at non-subsidised rates. As a result, the seed of the University will not be sold completely every year and they have to be converted into bulk and sold in the local market as grain. KSSC while making payment to the Universities will deduct their commission (6%), RSKs commission (4%) and transport charges. Thus, Universities loose income on both sides. Farmers frequently approach University for the seeds. Hence, if the University is authorised to sell the same crop/variety seeds at their own outlets to the farmers or seed dealers/distributors at the same subsidised rates fixed by KSDA, the University will not be forced to pay the commission to KSSC as it is practiced now, thus will be making reasonably a good profit.

After listening to the details the Board deferred the item, however, suggested to discuss with other Universities regarding guidelines for selling seeds as per seed act and also

avail the risk fund from the Government to recover the losses for the unsold seeds. The issue of license for selling seeds does not pertain to the University since it is a Government body.

(Action: Director of Research)

<u>Table Agenda Item No. 1:</u> Formation of Technical Scrutiny committee for execution of works at University of Agriculture and Horticulture Sciences at Navile Shivamogga.

The works are being carried out through electronic tendering system introduced by Government of Karnataka incorporating latest development in the tendering system from time to time. The Estate Office headed by Estate Officer/ Executive Engineer is taking up all those works in different campuses of the University. Recently it was decided in the Board meeting to go for technical sanction for works casting more than Rs. 50.00 lakhs from the competent authority to fulfill the requirements of audit objections and this was approved by the Hon'ble Board of Management in the 10th meeting. Accordingly, some of the estimates of Development works have been submitted for the K.P.W.D. to obtain technical sanctions which have not been received for nearly 4 works but are of urgent nature. As the University needs the facilities to be created in war footing at various campuses, there is a need to be create the facilities in war footing at various campuses, there is a need to have a system to resolve the procedural delays to be followed before calling up tenders. In view of the above, it is felt necessary to constitute a committee for technical Scrutiny of estimates, costing more than 50.00 lakhs and evaluation of technical documents of the tenders for the works costing more than Rs. 50.00 lakhs.

Following is the Committee proposed for the above purpose.

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	1	University Officer, Nominated by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor	- Chairman	1
	2	Two retired Engineers not below the rank of Superintendent Engineer	- Member	1
	3	One Professor of Civil Engineering from the JNN Engineering	- Member	1
		College, Shivamogga.	· All	1
	4	Executive Engineer, K.P.W.D., Shivamogga	- Member	1
	5	The Comptroller, UAHS, Shivamogga	- Member	1
	6	The Estate Officer / Executive Engineer	- Member Secretary	1

Function of the Committee will be as below:

- 1. The Committee will meet as and when required on invitation by the University and will scrutinized the estimates technically for the works costing more than 50.00 lakhs and issue the technical sanction.
- 2. The Committee will assist the University for opening of technical bid for the work under two cover system and prepare a detailed report of evaluation of technical bids, thereby finalizing the list of qualified tenders under technical bid.

Further, it is proposed to pay a remuneration of Rs. 1,00.00 per sitting to the committee members (other than University Employees) excluding conveyance (actual / Government rate).

The proposal was deferred.

<u>Table Agenda Item No. 2:</u> Beautification and landscaping to the Flory park at College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga.

The front land in front of Vice-Chancellor's Office requires beautification with landscaping, walk way with inter lock pavers, *etc.* is planned. In addition, the main road from gate to College (220 m) and the road in front of OFRC, VC Office, Areca Building and KVK (140 m) with 1 m interlock pavers for the walk way on either sides of the road is essential for better aesthetics and to give a face lift to the campus. Board of Management is authorized to discuss and approve the beautification and landscaping with a provision of interlocking pavers in the garden and all along the road for better aesthetic view at an estimation of Rs. 50.00 Lakhs.

The proposal was approved.

(Action: Estate Officer)

<u>Table Agenda Item No. 3:</u> Construction of Post Harvest Cold Storage Grading and Precooling Unit and Training Hall for Horticulture Department at College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga.

The unit is required for grading, packing, precooling and cold storage facilities of horticulture produce. In First Floor Training Hall for 50 seaters capacities and the total built up area 240.00 sqm. also needed. The produce developed in the polyhouse under mist and foggers requires the specified temperature for precooling and for storing in cold storage rooms. In First Floor, it is proposed to have a Training Hall for the benefit of farmers to have interaction with scientists. Board of Management is authorized to discuss and approve the construction of Post Harvest cold storage, grading and precooling with a unit room for Training hall building at an estimate of Rs. 50.00 Lakhs under RKVY funds.

The item was presented to the Board and same was approved.

(Action: Estate Officer)

<u>Table Agenda Item No. 4:</u> Construction of Hi-tech polyhouse for Horticulture Department at College of Agriculture, Shivamogga.

The Hi-tech polyhouse with heavy duty fan and cooling pad for the Department of Horticulture is required for the multiplication of nursery seedlings of Horticulture crops in Vegetable Science. The Board of Management is authorized to discuss and approve the construction of High Tech Polyhouse, at Rs. 30.00 lakhs as per the estimate.

The item was presented to the Board and same was approved.

(Action: Estate Officer)

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