

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

Members Present

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| 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 Deputy 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 |

Members Absent:

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| 1. Sri. K Prathapchandra Shetty, Member, Karnataka Legislative Council. | Member |
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At the outset, Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Member Secretary of the Board and Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga welcomed all the Members to the 18th Meeting of Board of Management and requested Dr. C. Vasudevappa the Chairman of the Board to conduct the meeting. Following is the Action Taken Report of the 16th and 17th meeting of BOM held on 04-02-2017 and 13-02-2017.

PART - 'A'

The Vice Chancellor and Chairman requested the Registrar to readout the ATR of 16th and 17th meetings 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

Item No. 1: The age criteria to be fixed for applying to the posts of Assistant Professor at entry level in University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga had advertised to fill up the Assistant Professor Posts in various disciplines. At the time of advertisement, the University has not mentioned the age as one of the criteria for applying to the posts of Assistant professor. Further, the age for Assistant Professor is fixed differently by various Farm Universities, it is fixed as 45 years and 50 years, respectively by UAS, Dharwad and UAS, Raichur for all the Categories. The UAS, Bengaluru has adopted the age as suggested by Karnataka Education Board as 45 years for SC/ST and Cat.-1, 43 years for OBC and 40 years for General Candidates. In addition, recently the Government of Karnataka has suggested to adopt 40 years for SC/ST and Cat.-1, 38 years for OBC and 35 years for General Candidates. This has lead to confusion to UAHS, Shivamogga which age has to be adopted for the Assistant Professors while recruiting. In this regard, the Board is requested to decide on what age criteria has to be followed for filling up the posts of Assistant Professor in UAHS, Shivamogga. To fix the age criteria for filling the Posts of Assistant Professor at the entry level of direct recruitment in the UAHS, Shivamogga. The different age criteria for entry level posts of Assistant professor are variable between different Farm Universities and the Government.

The Board suggested to wait until the decision of Co-ordination Committee.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 2: Re-Notification for recruitment of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Technical Posts in University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga had advertised the posts of Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, Service personnel and Technical Posts (Copy enclosed) for recruitment. Further, as per directions from the Secretary to Governor, Raj Bhavan, Bengaluru, Vide Circular No: GS 09 MUM 2016, date:15-07-2016 (Copy enclosed), the University has submitted the entire recruitment proposals of the above posts for kind permission from the Government to fill up Officers, Teaching and Non-Teaching posts. Now, the Secretary to Government, Department of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka, has intimated the permission from His Excellency Governor of Karnataka through GOK letter No: ಕೃಆ 13/ಕೃವಿಶಿ/2010, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 30-1-2017 (Copy enclosed), to fill up the sanctioned Teaching, Research, Extension and Non-Teaching Posts at UAHS, Shivamogga (Copy enclosed). As per the directions of the Government, the roster has been revised. Now, the modified roster including HK region for Teaching and Non-Teaching posts is put-up for kind perusal and approval of the Board. To initiate the recruitment process of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Technical Posts with modified roster as per the permission from the Government is submitted to the Board for kind perusal. The approval is received from the Government, with the consent of His Excellency the Governor of the Karnataka, is put-up to the Board for kind perusal with a request to permit the University for Re Notification and to complete the process of recruitment.

The decision taken with regard to item No. 1 holds good for this item also and the Board permitted the University to go for re-notification after the Co-ordination Committee gives its decision with regard to Age, Qualification, etc., (16th BOM).

The Item was approved by the Board and asked the University to follow the guidelines of DPAR for recruitment of supporting staff.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 6: Establishment of Technology Information Museum at UAHS, Shivamogga

Agriculture Museum is one of the important components to disseminate the agriculture and allied technologies to the visiting farmers and extension workers. At present, Shivamogga campus is not having permanent arrangement to showcase the technologies. Hence, for the benefit of farmers there is need to establish the museum at Shivamogga campus. To showcase the technologies on agriculture and allied sector to the farming community and extension functionaries. To upgrade the knowledge level of the farmers and extension functionaries to enhance the productivity in a sustainable concept. Rs. 15.00 lakhs has been allocated in the budget for the year 2016-17 for the establishment of Agriculture Museum to UAHS, Shivamogga under state plan grants. Hence, it is proposed to accord permission to establish the museum.

The item was deferred, but suggested to develop the University level facility at Iruvakk, the main campus (16th BOM).

Although, the item was deferred in the 16th BoM, the Board looking at the importance of the issue, revoked the decision and approved the item.

(Action: The Director of Extension)

Item No. 7: Construction of Dean's Quarters at College of Horticulture, Hiriur.

The UAHS Shivamogga has established the College of Horticulture at Hiriur. The Dean (Horti) is the Campus Head, looking after the Administration, Academic and Research activities of the College, for whom the construction of Quarters is proposed. The Official has to be in the campus to look after the activities in the campus where the Boys and Girls Hostels are located. In addition, he has to monitor research activities of the campus. The quarters proposed are as per ICAR Norms for a plinth area of 14.50 squares amounting to Rs. 33.00 Lakhs. Budget provision is made under State Plan Grants 2016-17 under AB/AC: 502017/880. The amount estimated is for Rs. 33.00 lakhs.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 8: Construction of D-Type Quarters at College of Horticulture, Hiriyr, Chitradurga.

The UAHS has established the College of Horticulture at Hiriyr. As the Campus is away from town limits it is very much necessary for the essential Faculty to be housed in the campus like Wardens, Farm Superintendents, Staff advisor *etc.*, who will have to look after the Boys and Girls after office hours. Since, this is highly essential, a request is made to make provision for constructing quarters. To provide better security to the farm, boys and girls in the campus during and after office hours with responsible staff staying on the campus. Hence, the proposal for 4 Quarters (Ground Floor, First Floor – 2 Quarters in Each floor) amounting to Rs. 84.00 Lakhs for a plinth area 42.00 Squares is submitted. The amount estimated is for Rs. 84.00 Lakhs.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 9: Construction of D-Type Quarters at College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga.

The UAHS has established the College of Agriculture at Shivamogga. As the Campus is away from city it is very much necessary for some of the essential Faculty to be in the campus and also to look after the Boys and Girls during night hours, holidays and research work. Hence, the Construction of quarters for essential faculty is very important at College of Agriculture, Shivamogga. It is proposed to construct 4 Nos of quarters (Ground Floor, First Floor – 2 Quarters in Each) which amounts to Rs. 84.00 Lakhs for a plinth area of 42.00 Squares. There is a need to build 4 quarters (4 Nos 2 Quarters in each ground floor) and first floor at an amount of Rs. 84.00 Lakhs with a plinth area of 42 squares for each house. The Financial amount involved is Rs. 84.00 Lakhs.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 10: Construction of First Floor over the Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer (AAS) Laboratory at KVK Building, Hiriyr.

The KVK Building at Hiriyr requires additional space to carry out extension activities of the University. It is proposed to construct the First Floor with an area of 21.00 squares amount to Rs. 38.00 Lakhs including Electrification to provide sufficient place to establish a soil analysis lab. Budget provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17. The Total out lay required is Rs. 38 Lakhs.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 11: Construction of E-Type Quarters (Twin) at AHRS, Sringeri.

The UAHS is having AHRS at Sringeri for conducting research and is also provided lab facility for soil and water testing. This being a small station requires a close monitoring after office hours. Hence, it is decide to locate the field staff in the campus. Hence, the proposal. The two Quarters are proposed at a plinth area of 10.50 squares as per the UAHS norms at a cost of Rs. 20.00 lakhs for providing proper security to this campus and day-to-day monitoring of the office work Budget provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17 (1080+15 = 1095). The financial involvement is Rs. 20.00 Lakhs.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 12: Construction of C Type Quarters at AHRS, Kademadkal (One Number)

The AHRS, Kademadkal Station is located at an interior place and is far away from the town/village limits. The Station has taken up Paddy seed production, coffee and pepper cultivation in addition to

aquaculture nursery. The Farm Superintendent has to stay in the station for the better monitoring and management of activities. It is essential to build quarters to the Farm Superintendent. The Estimated amount is Rs. 30.00 Lakhs with a plinth area 15.00 squares. Provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17. The financial requirement is Rs. 30 Lakhs.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 13: Construction of Farm Superintendent Quarters at AHRS, Madikeri.

The University is taking up promotion of Floricultural activities in a big way along with the paddy cultivation in the AHRS, which need close monitoring from the Farm Superintendent. So he has to necessarily stay in the campus for which a quarters is needed. To build the quarters for the Farm Superintendent of 15 squares plinth area which amounts to Rs. 30.00 lakhs. Budget provision is made under State Grants 2016-17.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No.14: Construction of "C" Type Quarters at AHRS, Bavikere.

The University is encouraging PG research activities at AHRS Bhavikere by developing P.G. Research Centre. The Staff has to be provided with Quarters as the station is located in the country side. So as to build the 'C' Type quarters for the staff for effective management and monitoring of the research work of the station and PG students, the 2 BHK, 2 Quarters are proposed for a plinth area of 28.00 Squares at an amount of Rs. 60.00 lakhs. Provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No.15 : Construction of First Floor over the field lab for the Farm Superintendent Office at AHRS, Kathalagere.

The AHRS, Kathalagere is a prominent Research Station of the University taking care of the cultivation of many crops and intensive seed production activities. However, there is less space for the Farm Superintendent and their staff. Hence the Proposal. To construct building to provide office space for Farm Superintendent and the office Staff, it is proposed to construct First Floor over the existing Laboratory which amounts to Rs. 50.00 Lakhs with a Plinth area of 30 Squares. Provision is made under State.Grants, 2016-17.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No.16 : Estimate to Provide HT Power Supply with Metering cubical including External and Internal distribution to COF, Ponnampet.

The UAHS Shivamogga has the College of Forestry in its jurisdiction. The campus is well developed with College Block, P.G. Centre, with P.G. Hostel, UG Boys Hostel, Girls Hostel, Library, Indoor Games Hall, Staff Quarters, etc in the campus. To solve the problems of power for conducting research and teaching this campus needs HT Power Supply as per the MESCOM norms. Hence the Proposal. The campus is in the Malnad region where there will be frequent disruption in the power supply. It is necessary to provide U.G, Cabling with Transformer, HT Cubical, RCC poles with necessary accessories, etc., for the smooth functioning of the College and Research stations. Budget provision for 66.00 Lakhs is made under State Grants of 2016-17.

The item was approved.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No.21 : Construction of G Type Quarters for the COF, Ponnampet.

The COF, Ponnampet has the faculty for whom the Quarters are essential to carry out their work efficiently. Hence the quarters are proposed for their stay at the College campus as the campus is far away from the town limits and the houses on rent are not available in Ponnampet. An estimate for 1 ½ BHK is proposed for constructing 4 Quarters (Two in each floor) with a total plinth area of 40 Squares including common area of 4 sqm amounting to Rs. 80.00 lakhs. Budget provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No. 22: Renovation and alteration of the building at COH Hiriyyur, Chitradurga, for the purpose of guesthouse.

The University has established the COH, at Hiriyyur, Chitradurga district and it is far away from the city limits. There is a need for a Guest House for visiting Professors, Scientists and other officials on official duty. There is a building which has to be altered and renovated to accommodate 4 to 6 persons (Twin Sharing) with a small kitchen, pantry, Dining *etc.* for the usage by the officials. Budget provision for Rs. 10 Lakhs is made under State Grants of 2016-17.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Item No.23 : Construction of G Type Quarters for the ZAHRS, Mudigere.

The COH, Mudigere Campus is located far away from the town and it is very difficult to get houses on rent. Being heavy rainfall area, it is more convenient for supporting faculty to stay on the campus for better efficiency. It is proposed to construct 1 ½ BHK house 4 quarters to the faculty to facilitate their effective functioning. Budget provision for Rs. 80 lakhs is made under State Grants of 2016-17.

The Board informed the University to bring this agenda for the next BOM meeting with the detailed plan and estimate.

(Action: Estate Officer)

Table agenda Item No.2 : Revision of probationary period from existing one year to two years from the date of joining in University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga has advertised for filling up of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Technical Posts in various disciplines. Presently, it is a procedure to declare the probation of selected candidates (Teaching, Non-Teaching and Technical Posts) after successful completion of one year. This issue was discussed in the Co-ordination Committee Meeting of Farm Universities which was held on 11-03-2016, at Bengaluru under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Agricultural Minister, Government of Karnataka, and decided to revise the probationary period from one year to two years of the selected Candidates in Teaching, Non-Teaching and Technical Posts. Further, UAS, Bengaluru has already implemented the same procedure and UAHS, Shivamogga has to adopt the same.

The Board approved the proposal and informed University to impose two years of satisfactory service before declaring probationary period (16th BOM).

The Board approved the item but advised to wait until the decision of Co-ordination Committee.

(Action: Registrar)

Table agenda Item No.3 : The age to be prescribed for the posts of Service Personnel at the entry level.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga had advertised to fill up the Group A, B & C Posts of Service Personnel for various categories. Now, the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru has fixed 40 years of age for Service Personnel to apply at the entry level (Copy enclosed). UAHS, Shivamogga is following Qualifications, Score Card and other regulations of the parent University of UAS, Bengaluru for filling up the various posts of Service Personnel posts during Direct Recruitment.

The Board approved the item but advised to wait until the decision of Co-ordination Committee.

(Action: Registrar)

Table agenda Item No.4 : Proposal for revision of qualifications for the Associate Professor and its equivalent posts at UAHS, Shivamogga.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga has adopted qualification and score card of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor of UAS, Bengaluru. Now, UAHS, Shivamogga has advertised for filling up of Associate Professor Posts by Direct Recruitment. The qualifications for Associate Professor are fixed as Ph.D Degree (Agri./Hort./Forestry) in any discipline instead of Ph.D Degree in the concerned/relevant, disciplines in the Corrigendum Vide No: UAHS(S)/R/Rectt. of Teaching Post/24/2016-17, dated:04-04-2016. Now, this University has to follow the qualifications and score card of UAS, Bengaluru in toto. Hence, the proposal is submitted for kind perusal and approval to include "relevant discipline" than Agri./Hort./Forestry (as per the enclosed Annexure).

The Board did not approve the proposal and suggested to take it to the Co-ordination Committee for a decision. (16th BOM)

The Board approved and asked the University to retain as concerned/relevant discipline for the qualifications.

Other Issues Discussed

5. The Board Member enquired about taking permission of the Board for fixing guest for convocation.

The Board indicated that fixing the guest for the convocation is the prerogative option of the Vice chancellor.

17th BOM

Item No. 1: Approval of the tendered amount of Rs.157,60,00,000 for construction of new University buildings in the new premises of Iruvacki by KHB.

The University Campus of UAHS, Shivamogga is planned to be established in 777.07 acres of land at Iruvacki, Anandapur Hobli, Sagara Taluk. The same has been approved in the 4th BoM Meeting. In the 5th Meeting of BoM, the Board agreed to send the revised plan and estimate to the Government for the approval of the budget. The Government has issued the administrative approval for Rs. 150.00 crores vide order No. ಕೃಇ 07 ಕೃವಿಶಿ 2015, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 08-01-2016, for construction of new campus with all the essential infrastructure required. The BoM in the 9th Meeting approved the construction of compound wall / Barbed wire fencing with the RCC poles in the newly acquired land at a cost of Rs. 50.00 lakhs. The Architecture plan and estimates prepared by a consultant were transferred to Karnataka

Housing Board (KHB) for technical scrutiny and tendering the construction of new campus. In this regard, Memorandum of Understanding has been entered with the KHB which has been approved by the 10th BoM Meeting and also agreed to entrust the construction works of the New campus to the KHB. The BoM in its 13th Meeting gave administrative approval for the detailed estimates and Blue print of new campus estimates for Rs. 150.00 crores and the Board informed the University for the financial clearance from the Finance Department. However, the planning and Finance Department restricted the infrastructure by limiting to Rs. 150.00 crores. The KHB tendered the works limiting to Rs. 120.17 crores. In response to the tender, 2 firms were technically found suitable and quoted 27% to 30% tender premium. Tender amount was recasted to 123.80 crores based on CSR 2016-17. The University constituted Tender Negotiation Committee under Chairmanship of Secretary Agriculture, Government of Karnataka. The Tender Negotiation Committee met on 18-01-2017 and 09-02-2017, and negotiated with the L1 bidder. Finally, the Tender Negotiation Committee approved the final negotiated bid price of Rs. 138,69,50,000 which is 12% above the tendered amount. As per the tender service tax at 6% on the bid amount has to be paid which works out to Rs. 8,32,17,000 and the total amount comes to Rs. 147.01 crores. In addition, the University has to pay 7% implementation cost to the KHB which works out to Rs. 9.71 crores. In addition, an amount of Rs. 80.00 Lakhs is kept as reserve by KHB for deposits to the other departments for water supply, electricity, etc. All this put together, the total project amount becomes Rs. 157.60 crores. A letter in this regard has been issued by the Chief Engineer KHB for approval by the Board. To entrust the construction of New University campus to the L1 bidder as per the agreed tendered amount with taxes and implementation charges and also to obtain the revised administrative approval for Rs. 157.60 crores is needed. The details are given below for the additional amount of Rs. 6,48,51,552.

Revised Project cost abstract		
SI No.	Particulars	Amount in Rs.
1	Negotiated Tender Amount	138,69,50,000
2	Add Service Tax & Cess @ 6% on Tender amount	8,32,17,000
3	Add KHB Service charges including AEF / PMC Fee @ 7%	9,70,86,500
	Total	156,72,53,500
4	Deposits to other departments, supervision charges of External Electrical works & Electrical charges	80,00,000
5	Miscellaneous & Unforceen expenditure (Rounding off too)	7,46,500
	Grand Total	157,60,00,000

The Board after a detailed discussion decided to approve a budget of Rs. 156,48,51,552 as against the sanctioned amount of Rs. 150 Crores, hence an additional amount of Rs. 6,48,51,552 is required. The Board decided to get the revised administrative approval from the Finance Department for Rs. 156,48,51,552 (Rs. One Hundred Fifty Six Cores Forty Eight Lakhs Fifty One thousand Five hundred and Fifty Two only). The details are given below (17th BOM).

The Board approved the item however suggested to renegotiate with the contractor to give up the 6% service tax as this is supposed to be included in the bid amount. Reply and justification from KHB to be submitted to the Board.

PART- 'B'

Agenda Items for 18th Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary. The following decisions were arrived at.

Item No. 1: The Budget Estimate of UAHS, Shivamogga for the year 2017-18 and Revised Budget estimate for the year 2016-17.

The Budget estimate of UAHS(S) for the year 2017-18 has been prepared based on the grants received from Govt. of Karnataka, ICAR and other agencies taking into account the anticipated internal receipts of UAHS(S), with the main aim of implementing programme under Education, Research and Extension activities of UAHS, Shivamogga during the year 2017-18 according to UAHS, Shivamogga Act - 2009 and enactment of ACT (38) 2012, under chapter IV Funds and Accounts Section 36 and 37.

The Board after discussing the item at length approved the revised budget for 2016-2017 and also the budget for the year 2017-18.

(Action: Comptroller)

Item No. 2: Purchase of Portable Photosynthesis System (IRGA with dual gas system) costing Rs.23.00 lakhs under ICAR sub component "Strengthening and Development of AUs (ICAR Development Grants)" under the Agricultural Education Division Plan Scheme "Strengthening and Development of Higher Agricultural Education" during the year 2016-17 at College of Forestry, Ponnampet.

ICAR allotted a grant of Rs.355.63 lakhs under ICAR sub component "Strengthening and Development of AUs (ICAR Development Grants)" under the Agricultural Education Division Plan Scheme "Strengthening and Development of Higher Agricultural Education" during the year 2016-17, to the University. Out of that Rs.162.64 lakhs has been sanctioned to Main University and again University sanctioned Rs.23.00 lakhs for purchase of Portable Photosynthesis System (IRGA with dual gas system) at College of Forestry, Ponnampet. The Sanctioned amount is meant for the purchase of equipment. Hence the approval of Board is needed for 23.00 lakhs for the purchase of Portable Photosynthesis System (IRGA with dual gas system). The budget provision is made under AB.AC No.630039, DAC No.000704.

The Board approved the item.

(Action: Comptroller)

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 contractor 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.

The item was thoroughly discussed by the Board and felt that EPF facility must be extended. It was also suggested to bring the item to the next Board after taking a legal opinion on the issue.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 4: Proposal for Ratification of the appointment of staff on Compassionate Grounds at UAHS, Shivamogga.

The University has appointed Four Persons on Compassionate grounds due to death of deceased staff. The details are as follows:-

- (1) Kum. H. Jyothi D/o Late Mr. T. Hanumanthappa, (Sr. Farm Labourer, College of Agriculture, Shivamogga). Appointment Order No:- UAHS(S)/R/Appt.on Comp. Gr./Kum. H. Jyothi/3181/2016-17, dated: 09-02-2017, appointed as Assistant at the office of the Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga due to demise of her father while in service.
- (2) Mr. C. Nagaraja S/o Late. Mr. Chinnadorai (Farm Labourer, AHRS, Ullal). Appointment Order No. UAHS(S)/R/Appt. on Comp. Gr./Mr. C. Nagaraja/3187/2016-17, dated: 09-02-2017, appointed as Messenger at AHRS, Ullal, due to demise of his father while in service.
- (3) Mr. S. Suresh Naik S/o Late. Smt. D. Susheela (Farm Labourer, Babbur Farm, Hiriyyur). Appointment Order No. UAHS (S)/R/Appt. on Comp. Gr./Mr. S. Suresh Naik/3182/2016-17, dated: 09-02-2017, appointed as Farm Labourer (Supernumerary), at ZAHRS, Hiriyyur, due to demise of his mother while in service.
- (4) Kum. Rashmi C D/o Late K. Chandrashekar, (Sr. Lab Assistant, AHRS, Kademadkal, Mudigere). Appointment Order No. UAHS(S)/R/ Appt. on Comp. Gr./Rashmi C./3287/2016-17, dated: 22-02-2017, appointed as Messenger, AHRS, Kademadkal, Mudigere due to demise of her father while in service.

In this regard, the ratification of appointment of these four persons on Compassionate ground is required.

As per the Government orders,viz.,

1. Karnataka Civil Services Compassionate Ground appointment Rules 1996.
2. Notification No. ಸಿಆಸುಇ 100 ಸೇಅನೇ 95, ದಿನಾಂಕ: 12-09-1996.
3. DPAR 19 S 99 dated: 24-11-2000.

4. DPAR 11 SC SCA 2001 dated: 28-05-2002.

the University has the provision to appoint the kith and kin of the deceased staff.

The action taken by the University which is in accordance with the provisions of the KCSR was ratified by the Board.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 5: Permission to issue Re-Notification for recruitment of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Technical Posts in University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga had advertised the posts of Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, Service personnel and Technical Posts (Copy enclosed) for recruitment. Further, as per directions from the Secretary to Governor, Raj Bjava Bengaluru, Vide Circular No: GS 09 MUM 2016, date: 15-07-2016, the University has submitted the entire recruitment proposals of the above posts for kind permission from the Government to fill up Officers, Teaching and Non-Teaching posts. Now, the Secretary to Government, Department of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka, has intimated the permission from His Excellency Governor of Karnataka, Vide letter No: ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಕೃಷಿ/13ಕೃವಿಶಿ2016, dated: 30-01-2017 (Copy enclosed), to fill up the sanctioned Teaching, Research, Extension and Non-Teaching Posts at UAHS, Shivamogga. As per the directions of the Government, the roster has been revised. Now, the same proposal was discussed in the 16th Board of Management Meeting and Board suggested to go head for re-advertisement. Therefore, modified roster including HK region for Teaching and Non-Teaching posts is put up for kind perusal and approval of the Board to issue Re-Notification for recruitment of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Technical Posts in UAHS, Shivamogga, to initiate the recruitment process.

The Board approved the item and suggested to re notify as per the decisions of the coordination committee and provisions of DPAR regulations. It was suggested by the Board to return the applications of those who are not eligible due to the change in the age and roster.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 6: Permission to fix the age criteria for applying to the posts of Assistant Professor at entry level in University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga had advertised to fill up the Assistant Professor Posts in various disciplines. At the time of advertisement, the University has not mentioned the age as one of the criteria for applying to the posts of Assistant professor. Further, the age for Assistant Professor is fixed differently by various Farm Universities, it is fixed as 45 years and 50 years, respectively by UAS, Dharwad and UAS, Raichur for all the Categories. The UAS, Bengaluru has adopted the age as suggested by Karnataka Education Board as 45 years for SC/ST and Cat.-1, 43 years for OBC and 40 years for General Candidates. In addition, recently the Government of Karnataka has suggested to adopt 40 years for SC/ST and Cat.-1, 38 years for OBC and 35 years for General

Candidates. This issue was discussed in the 25th Co-ordination Committee Meeting of Farm Universities which was held on 08-03-2017 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture. The Chairman suggested the Agricultural Secretary to take appropriate decision in consultation with all the Vice Chancellors of Farm Universities to fix the age as criteria for recruitment of Assistant professor at entry level. Further, Board is requested to approve to fix the age criteria for applying the Assistant Professor at entry level as 45 years for SC/ST & Cat. I, 43 years for OBC and 40 years for GM Candidates on par with UAS, Bengaluru. Hence, the same proposal is put up to the Board of Management for kind approval.

The Board suggested to implement the decision of the Co-ordination Committee in fixing the age for posts of Assistant Professor in the University.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 7: Permission to fix the maximum age for the posts of Service Personnel at the entry level.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga had advertised to fill up the Group A, B & C Posts of Service Personnel for various categories. Now, the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru has fixed 40 years of age for Service Personnel to apply at the entry level (Copy enclosed). UAHS, Shivamogga is following Qualifications, Score Card and other regulations of the Parent University of UAS, Bengaluru for filling up the various posts of Service Personnel posts during direct recruitment. This issue was discussed in the 25th Co-ordination Committee Meeting of Farm Universities which is held on 08-03-2017 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture Government of Karnataka and the Chairman has suggested to the Agriculture Secretary to take appropriate decision in consultation with all the Vice Chancellors of Farm Universities for fixing of age for recruitment of Service Personnel Posts at entry level.

The Board suggested to implement the decision of the Co-ordination Committee and to follow the norms prescribed by DPAR.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 8: Proposal for revision of qualifications for the Associate Professor and its equivalent posts at UAHS, Shivamogga.

The University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga has adopted qualification and score card of Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor of UAS, Bengaluru. Now, UAHS, Shivamogga has advertised for filling up of Associate Professor Posts by Direct Recruitment. The qualifications for Associate Professor are fixed as Ph.D Degree (Agri./Hort./Forestry) in any discipline instead of Ph.D Degree in the concerned/relevant, disciplines in the Corrigendum Vide No: UAHS(S)/R/Rectt. of Teaching Post/24/2016-17, dated:04-04-2016 However, the University has to follow the qualifications and score card of UAS, Bengaluru in toto. This issue was discussed in the 25th Co-ordination Committee Meeting of Farm Universities which is held on 08-03-2017 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Government of Karnataka and the Chairman has suggested to the Agriculture Secretary to take appropriate decision in consultation with all the Vice Chancellors of Farm Universities for fixing the Qualification

for the Associate Professors and its equivalent Posts at UAHS, Shivamogga, Further, this University is following Qualifications and Score Card of UAS, Bengaluru. Therefore, the Board is requested to permit to follow the same as being followed by UAS, Bengaluru.

The Board was appraised about the qualification prescribed by all the farm Universities and UGC. After a detailed discussion, the Board approved the item and asked the University to retain qualifications as prescribed by UAS Bengaluru - Ph.D. in concerned / relevant for the posts of Associate Professor in the University.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 9: Financial sanction 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 and staff (17.15% under SCSP scheme and 6.95% under TSP scheme) in UAHS, Shivamogga. Out of 1440 students, 217 students belong to SC and 77 belong to ST. Government of Karnataka has allocated total of Rs.149.15 lakhs (Rupees one hundred forty nine lakh fifteen thousand only) for procurement of laptops, extra boarding and lodging charges and educational tour *etc.* Out of this Rs.115.20/- (Rupees one hundred fifteen lakhs twenty thousand only) is earmarked under SCSP and Rs.33.95/- (Rupees thirty three lakhs ninety five thousand only) under TSP. Out of the available grants laptops are to be procured and distributed to 167 SC students studying in under graduate, Ist Year M.Sc., and Ph.D., under SCSP & 53 laptops for ST students pursuing under graduate, Ist M.Sc., and Ist Ph.D., Hence, expenditure needs to be incurred. Allocation of Rs.115.20 lakhs (Rupees one hundred fifteen lakhs twenty thousand only) under SCSP and Rs.33.95 lakhs (Rupees thirty three lakhs ninety five thousand only) under TSP was made available by Government of Karnataka for the year 2016-17 out of which 167 laptops are to be purchased for SC students @ 45,000/- per laptop with a total outlay of Rs.75.15 lakhs (Rupees seventy five lakhs fifteen thousand only) and 53 laptops for ST students @ 45,000/- per laptop with an total outlay of Rs.23.85 lakhs (Rupees twenty three lakhs eighty five thousand only) during the current financial year i.e., 2016-17. Rs. 75.15 lakhs under SCSP Rs. 23.85 lakhs under TSP **Total = 99.00 lakhs**

The Board approved the item and advised to give only one lap top during their study period. It also suggested to submit a proposal to see the possibilities of extending the lap top facility to other students by establishing a laptop bank.

(Action: Registrar, Librarian, DSW and Comptroller)

Item No. 10: Construction of Dean's Quarters at College of Horticulture, Hiriyyur.

The UAHS Shivamogga has established the College of Horticulture at Hiriyyur. The Dean (Horti) is the Campus Head, looking after the Administration, Academic and Research activities of the College, for whom the construction of Quarters is proposed. The Official has to be in the campus to look after the activities in the campus where the Boys and Girls Hostels are located. In addition, he has to monitor research activities of the campus. The quarters proposed are as per ICAR Norms for a plinth 14.50 squares amounting to Rs. 33.00 Lakhs. Budget provision is made under State Plan Grants 2016-17 under AB/AC: 502017/880.

The item was approved by the Board and advised to deduct HRA if Dean does not

stay in the quarters and also suggested to maintain an exclusive account under the discretion of the Dean to take care of the maintenance.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 11: Construction of D-Type Quarters at College of Horticulture, Hiriyr, Chitradurga.

The UAHS has established the College of Horticulture at Hiriyr. As the Campus is away from town limits it is very much necessary for the essential Faculty to be housed in the campus like Wardens, Farm Superintendents, Staff advisor *etc.*, who will have to look after the Boys and Girls after office hours. Since this is highly essential, a request is made to make provision for constructing quarters. To provide better security to the farm, boys and girls in the campus during and after office hours with responsible staff staying on the campus. Hence the proposal for Quarters 4 Nos (Ground Floor, First Floor – 2 Quarters in Each floor) which amounts to Rs. 84.00 Lakhs for a plinth area 42.00 Squares is submitted.

The Board approved the item

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 12: Construction of D-Type Quarters at College of Agriculture, Navile, Shivamogga.

The UAHS has established the College of Agriculture at Shivamogga. As the Campus is away from city it is very much necessary for some of the essential Faculty to be in the campus and also to look after the Boys and Girls during night hours and holidays and during their research work. Hence, the construction of quarters for essential faculty is very important at College of Agriculture, Shivamogga. It is proposed to construct 4 quarters (2 quarters each at Ground and First Floor) which amount to Rs. 84.00 Lakhs for a plinth area of 42.00 Squares.

The Board did not approve the item.

Item No.13: Construction of First Floor over the Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer (A S) Laboratory at KVK Building, Hiriyr.

The KVK Building at Hiriyr requires additional space to carry out extension activities of the University. It is proposed to construct the First Floor with an area of 21.00 squares amount to Rs. 38.00 Lakhs including electrification to provide sufficient space, to establish a soil analysis lab. Budget provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17.

The Board after thorough discussion approved the item.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 14: Construction of E-Type Quarters (Twin) at AHRS, Sringeri.

The UAHS is having AHRS at Sringeri for conducting research and is also provided lab facility for soil and water testing. This being a small station, requires a close monitoring after office hours. Hence, it is decide to locate the field staff in the campus. Hence, the proposal.

The two Quarters are proposed at a plinth area of 10.50 squares as per the UAHS norms at a cost of Rs. 20.00 lakhs for providing proper security to this campus and day-to-day monitoring of the office work. Budget provision for 20 lakhs is made under State Grants of 2016-17.

The Board after critical evaluation approved the item.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 15: Construction of C Type Quarters at AHRS, Kademadkal (One Number)

The AHRS, Kademadkal Station is located in a interior place and is far away from the town/village limits. The Station has taken up paddy seed production, coffee and pepper cultivation in addition to aquaculture nursery. The Farm Superintendent has to stay in the station for the better monitoring and management of activities. It is essential to build quarters to the Farm Superintendent for better management and monitoring of the farm. The estimated amount is Rs. 30.00 Lakhs with a plinth area 15.00 squares. Provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17.

The Board approved the item after the thorough evaluation.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 16: Construction of Farm Superintendent Quarters at AHRS, Madikeri.

The University is taking up promotion of Floricultural activities in a big way along with the paddy cultivation at the AHRS, which needs close monitoring from the Farm Superintendent. So he has to necessarily stay in the campus for which a quarters is needed. Proposed to build the quarters for the Farm Superintendent of 10 squares plinth area at an amount to Rs. 23.00 lakhs under state grants 2016-17 budget.

The Board approved the item.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 17: Construction of "C" Type Quarters at AHRS, Bavikere.

The University is encouraging PG research activities at AHRS Bavikere by developing P.G. Research Centre. The Staff has to be provided with Quarters as the station is located in the country side. As to build the 'C' Type quarters for the staff for effective management and monitoring of the research work of the station and PG students, the 2 BHK, 2 Quarters are proposed for a plinth area of 28.00 Squares at an amount of Rs. 60.00 lakhs. under State Grants of 2016-17.

The Board did not approve the item.

Item No. 18: Construction of First Floor over the field lab for the Farm Superintendent Office at AHRS, Kathalagere.

The AHRS, Kathalagere is a prominent research Station of the university taking care of the cultivation of many crops and intensive seed production activities. However, there is less space for the Farm Superintendent and their staff. Hence, it is proposed to construct First Floor over the existing Laboratory which amounts to Rs. 50.00 Lakhs with a Plinth area of 30 Squares under State Grants, 2016-17.

The Board approved the item.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 19: Construction of G Type Quarters for the COF, Ponnampet.

The COF, Ponnampet requires quarters for D-group employees to carry out their work efficiently. Hence the quarters are proposed for their stay at the College campus as the campus is far away from the town limits and the houses on rent are not available in Ponnampet. An estimate for 1 ½ BHK is proposed for constructing 4 Quarters (Two in each floor) with a total plinth area of 40 Squares including common area of 4 sqm amounting to Rs. 80.00 lakhs, under State Grants for the year 2016-17.

The Board approved the item.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 20: Renovation and alteration of the building at COH Hiriyur, Chithradurga, for the purpose of guesthouse.

The University has established the COH, at Hiriyur, Chithradurga district and it is far away from the city limits. There is a need for a Guesthouse for the visiting Professors, Scientists and other Officials on official duty. There is a building which has to be altered and renovated to accommodate 4 to 6 persons (Twin Sharing) with a small kitchen, pantry, Dining etc. for the usage by the officials. Budget provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17 (1080+15) = 1095 plinth. The amount estimated is Rs. 10 Lakhs

The Board approved the item.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 21: Construction of G Type Quarters for the ZAHRS, Mudigere.

The COH, Mudigere Campus is far away from the town and it is very difficult to get houses on rent. Being heavy rainfall area, it is better to supporting faculty to stay on the campus for better efficiency. It is proposed to construct four 1 ½ BHK houses (2 in each floor) with a plinth area of 40 squares including common area. Budget provision is made under State Grants of 2016-17. The financial involvement is Rs. 80 Lakhs

The Board did not approve the item.

Item No. 22: Providing asphaltting to main approach road with RCC Box drain at College of Horticulture, Hiriyuru.

To enable the better movement of students and Staff at the College of Horticulture, Hiriyur it is requested to provide with water bound macadam road for the main approach of the College campus. To give face lift to the College main approach, roads in front of the College has to be asphalted and RCC box drains are also necessary to dispose the storm water. Hence, RCC Box drains for a length of 280 mtrs is proposed. Budget Provision is made under creation of assets Ab. A/c 500034/880. The total financial involvement is Rs. 37.00 Lakhs

The Board approved the item. However suggested to construct RCC Box drains by taking into consideration of peak runoff.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 23: Procurement of Mobile Seed Grading Unit to AHRS, Ponnampet and ZAHRS Brahmavar.

The University is taking up lot of Seed Production activities in paddy, pulses oilseeds and vegetables. To maintain the quality, the Special Officer (Seeds) has requested for the purchase of the grading unit model "DM" for the grading of crop seeds for AHRS, Ponnampet and at ZAHRS, Brahmavara. The Unit is capable of cleaning and grading of all crop seeds such as wheat, corn, beans, barley, soybean, pulses, oil seeds, *etc.* for the benefit of farmers of the surrounding villages. The budget total provision is made under the Ab./Ac. 550009/715. The total out lay is Rs. 23.39 lakhs (2 Nos.) with Rs. 11.69 lakhs for each Unit.

The Board approved the item after a detailed discussion.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 24: Construction of Basket ball court at college of Agriculture, Shivamogga.

The student strength is increasing year by year. The sports facilities are also to be increased according to the strength there by, the Dean, College of Agriculture, Shivamogga has requested for the Basket ball court in the Navile campus for UG and PG students. The students of the Agriculture College Shivamogga have requested for the above work as they are participating in the inter College, Inter University, national level tournaments for which the practice is very much necessary. Hence the proposal. The budget provision is made under creation of assets (Ab.Ac 500034/880) for Rs. 20.00 lakhs.

The Board approved the item. However, suggested to limit the expenditure to 10 lakhs only.

(Action: Estate officer)

Item No. 25: Construction of Basket ball court at College of Horticulture, Hiriyr.

The students are participating in the sports activities and the students strength is also increasing. Therefore, they need sports facilities, especially Basket ball court. Hence, the Dean, College of Horticulture, Hiriyr, has requested for the Basket ball court in Hiriyr campus for the students. Students are participating in the inter College / Inter University and national level tournaments on behalf the University. Therefore, the Basket ball court is essential for the regular practice. Hence, the proposal. Budget provision is made of under creation of assets (Ab.Ac. 500034/880) for Rs. 20.00 lakhs.

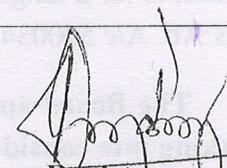
The Board approved the item. However, suggested to limit the expenditure to 10 lakhs only.

(Action: Estate officer)

Other issues discussed

- 1. The funds from RKVY to be used for the research purpose. If the duration of the scheme is for two years, the yearwise split budget should be given and the demand for year I only to be indicated in the demand for grants from RKVY.**
- 2. 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.**

(Action: Estate Officer).


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