

Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 28-11-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department, Government of Karnataka, M.S. Building, Bengaluru.

**Members Present**

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| 1. | Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga            | Chairman         |
| 2. | The Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, GoK             | Member           |
| 3. | The Additional Secretary, Smt. Padmavathi, Finance Department, GoK | Member           |
| 4. | Dr. S. Bhaskar, Assistant Director General (AFF & CC)              | Member           |
| 5. | Dr. M. Manjunatha, Dean (Agri.), COA, Shivamogga                   | Member           |
| 6. | Prof. Dr. V. Veerabhadraiah  | Member           |
| 7. | Mrs. Neethu Y. Patil   | Member           |
| 8. | Dr. P. Narayanaswamy, Registrar, UAHS, Shivamogga                  | Member Secretary |

**Members Absent**

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| 1. | Sri. Kimmane Rathnakar                                | Member |
| 2. | The Principal Secretary, Horticulture Department, GoK | Member |

**PART - 'A'**

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 25-03-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka.

**Items**

**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 worker. Additionally Rs 34 96 370/- is required to implement the EPF Scheme for Contractual

The item was discussed thoroughly by the Board and felt that EPF facility must be extended. It was suggested to bring the item to the next Board after taking a legal opinion on the issue (Decision of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Board of Management meetings).

The Board approved the item. It advised to prepare a list of existing contractual workers with qualifications and experience along with the procedure adopted while engaging. Further, suggested to develop a proper system to engage retired persons for contractual purpose (Decision of the 21st Board of Management meeting).

The Board approved the item, however suggested to get the clarification from the Government to engage the retired persons.

(Action: Registrar)

Action Taken on the Minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 19-06-2017 at Office of the Secretary to Government, Dept. of Agriculture, Government of Karnataka.

**Item No. 4**

**Proposal for extending the benefit of Advance increments / Incentives to Scientists possessing Ph.D. / M. Phil. upon implementation of 2006 UGC / ICAR revised pay scale to Teachers / Librarians and other equivalent cadres in UAHS, Shivamogga.**

The 2006 UGC / ICAR guidelines for extension of the benefits of advanced increments / Incentives for possessing Ph.D. / M.Phil. has been finalised. It is clearly stated that for direct recruitment to Associate Professor, Ph.D. is a minimum requirement and hence the candidates not eligible for getting 3 non compoundable increments. However, under CAS an Assistant Professor candidate with 12 years of experience is eligible for promotion as Associate Professors without Ph.D. Now, as per the UAS, Bengaluru order the candidates after selection as Associate Professors obtained their Ph. D/ M.Phil. degrees are eligible for 3 Non Compoundable increments. The issue needs clarification and hence the proposal.

The Board discussed about the issue in detail and deferred the item temporarily. The Board also suggested to the Hon'ble Secretary (Agri.) to have discussion with all the Universities to finalize for uniform implementation of the benefit to all eligible teachers of all the Farm Universities (Decision of 20th Board of Management meeting).

After discussing the issue in detail, the Secretary to the Government agreed to notify uniform criteria to implement the Ph. D. increments for CAS promoted teachers of all the Farm Universities in common (Decision of the 21st Board of Management meeting).

The Board after thorough disusion on the issue approved the item to extend the advance increments to Ph. D. holders under CAS as per the agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

**Item No. 7**

**Continuation / relief of services of Mr. Gopikrishna, Executive Engineer, who is on deputation from University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru to UAHS, Shivamogga**

The Services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, Executive Engineer, Estate Branch, University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore, was spared to our newly formed University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, on deputation, as there was severe dearth of experienced Executive Engineer to establish the Estate Branch.

Accordingly, the services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, was spared to University of Agricultural and

06-2017, from the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru. The University has made a request for the UAS, Bengaluru for continuing the services of Mr. Gopikrishna until March, 2018, in view of the construction of new campus and completion of ongoing civil structures. Now, the UAS, Bengaluru sent a letter (dated: 19-05-2017) to the University by recalling him to report back to the duty.

Under these circumstances, further extension of deputation period of Sri. Gopi Krishna has become inevitable. Hence, it is requested to extend the deputation period upto March, 2018. Hence, the proposal.

The Board supported the view to continue the services of Mr. Gopi Krishna, Executive Engineer and also suggested the University to write a letter to the Government to get an official order for retaining his services until March, 2018 (Decision of 20th Board of Management meeting).

The Board asked the University to verify the documents related to continue/relief of Mr. Gopikrishna and to present in the next meeting (Decision of 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Management meeting).

The Board discussed the issue in detail and suggested to take action after 10 days of getting the information from the Enquiry Committee.

(Action: Registrar)

**Action Taken on the Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga held on 11-08-2017 at Meeting Hall of the Vice Chancellor, UAHS, Shivamogga**

**Item No. 15**

**Modification to the guidelines of Best Researcher Award and Best Farm Superintendent Award at UAHS, Shivamogga**

Since last year the UAHS, Shivamogga has implemented the "Best Researcher Award" and "Best Farm Superintendent Award" to its faculty in order to give recognition and to motivate the other scientists as practiced in other Farm Universities of the State. The same was approved in the 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga. Based on the suggestions and comments from the previous Award Committee members and the Teachers Association, it was felt essential to modify the guidelines and the score cards. Accordingly, the modified guidelines and score card for Best Researcher and Best Farm Superintendent Awards are developed and proposed for adopting in UAHS, Shivamogga.

The Board deferred the item and asked to rework on the issue to give more weightage and focus on research rather than the teaching and extension aspects with respect to Best Researcher. Similarly, Board observed that more emphasis has to be given to the Farm management and income generation of the farm in the case of Best Farm Superintendent (Decision of 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Management meeting).

The Board went through the details critically again and reconsidered to accept the item according to the guidelines proposed during 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Management meeting.

(Action: Director of Research)

#### Other issues discussed

1. The secretary was requested to get the permission of the Government to complete the recruitment process by the In-charge Vice Chancellor through the committees formulated as provided in the statutes. The Secretary informed the Board that he will look into the matter also would seek legal opinion.

**The Board did not approve the item.**

#### Minutes of the Circulation Agenda of the Board of Management, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga dated 19.10.2017.

#### Circulation Agenda

##### Entrusting the works on piece work basis up to Rs. 2.50 Lakhs.

The University was so far entrusting the small piece works to the contractors up to Rs. 1.00 lakh before the implementation of the KTPP Act as specified in the PWD code GO. No. PWD-1 FCR-93 dated: 15-12-1994 (Ref.1) and not beyond it. However, for taking construction works of worth more than Rs. 1.00 lakh tender procedures are being followed. However, the PWD has revised the above order due to increase in the prices and issued the Government Order at Ref. (2) above, which states that, if there is an emergency to the Government/ Local Body, it can take up the work on 'piece work' basis based on the SR rates either by calling Tender or entrusting on Piece Work Basis up to Rs. 2.50 lakhs to condone delay.

Due to increase in the prices of all the materials, the cost of small works also would cross Rs.1.00 lakh and it takes more time to follow the tender procedure. This has resulted in a problem that, the grants are not properly utilized. The same procedure is also being followed in UAS, Bangalore and UAS, Dharwad (Ref. 3 and 4).

Therefore, an approval of the Board is requested to adopt the above Government Order to entrust the piece work up to Rs. 2.50 lakhs without calling Tender by the University. The Estate Officer may be authorized to issue the Work Order upto Rs. 2.50 lakhs with the approval of the University for better and immediate progress of the work and to utilize the grants rapidly within the given period.

**The Principal Secretary (Agriculture) and Member of the Board of Management, UAHS, Shivamogga, did not approve the item. Hence, it was deferred.**

## PART- 'B'

Agenda items for 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of Board of Management were presented by the Registrar and Member Secretary, and the following decisions were arrived at.

### Items

#### Item No. 1

**Approval to conduct 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation to confer B.Sc. (Agri.), B.Sc. (Hort.), B.Sc. (Forestry.), M.Sc. and Ph.D. Programmes.**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation of the University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, is planned to be conducted on 21-12-2017. Applications are invited from the degree completed students to receive the Convocation Degree Certificates – In Person/In Absentia by the Registrar, University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga. In response to the advertisement, several students have applied for the Convocation for confirmation of the Degrees. His Excellency, the Governor has approved Dr. C.Vasudevappa, Vice Chancellor, National Institute of Food Technology and Entrepreneurship and Management, Haryana, as Chief guest and 21-12-2017 for conduct of the Convocation. Hence, the proposal is placed before the Board of Management for its approval.

During the discussion of the subject, Prof. V. Veerabhadraiah, intervened and stated that as in the case of other Farm Universities, the Panel of Chief Guests for the Convocation has to be discussed and finalized in the Academic Council and then forwarded to the BOM for consideration. After the approval from the Board panel has to be submitted to Chancellor for approval. The Board suggested the Chairman to follow the procedure in future and approved the item as put up in the Agenda.

(Action: Registrar)

#### Item No. 2

**Reimbursement of Medical treatment bill of Dr. D. Chandrappa, Associate Director of Research, ZAHRS, Hiriyyur.**

The medical treatment for major malady of Dr. D. Chandrappa Associate Director of Research, ZAHRS, Babbur Farm, Hiriyyur, is preferred for reimbursement of treatment charges to an extent of Rs.10,76,342/- He has undergone Medical treatment at HCG- Health Care Global Enterprises Ltd., Sampangi Ram Nagar, Bengaluru-560 027. The Hospital is recognized by the University. He was treated during 22-08-2017 to 28-08-2017. The total amount expended is Rs. 10,76,342/- as medically it is a special case, which is termed as "Right Proximalfemur Undifferentiated High Grade Pleomorphic Sarcoma".

The Board approved the item, after detailed discussion and asked to reimburse only Rs. 5,60,628 / (Rs. Five lakhs sixty thousands six hundred twenty eight only) which is according to the CGHS, rule.

Item No. 3

**Financial Provision for SC&ST Teachers visiting Abroad for attending Training / Seminars / Symposium and workshops.**

As per the Government of Karnataka policy, 24.1% of the plan budget has to be earmarked for the welfare of SC & ST students and staff (17.15% under SCSP scheme and 6.95% under TSP scheme) in UAHS, Shimoga. Out of 167 Teachers, 52 belong to SC and 21 belong to ST category. Government of Karnataka has allocated a total of Rs.191.48 lakhs (Rupees one hundred ninety one lakhs fourty eight thousand only) for the welfare of SC/ST staff and students. Out of this, Rs.28,95,000/- (Rupees twenty eight lakhs ninety five thousand only) is earmarked for SCSP and Rs.10,00,000/- (Rupees ten lakhs only) under TSP for the SC&ST teachers to participate in National and International Conferences / Seminars / Symposium and Trainings within and outside the country. This expenditure needs to be incurred as per the guidelines followed UAS (B), such as *Visa* charges, registration fee, airline charges, taxi charges, perdiun, DA and other miscellaneous charges to be met out from SC&ST grants under. AB/AC No.102031 DAC No.000354. AB/AC No.102038 DAC No.000354 on first come first serve basis.

The Board after the critical evaluation of the issue approved the item and asked the University to get clarification from the Government before issuing the orders.

(Action: Registrar)

Item No. 4

**Adoption of modified Score Card for selection process through direct recruitment of "C" group employees on merit basis by written test/practical test.**

After formation of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga, this University has adopted cadre and recruitment regulations of Service Personnel *on par* with UAS, Bengaluru for the time being in all respects. Further, this University has adopted modified Score Card as per the decision taken in the Co-ordination Committee Meeting of all the Farm Universities held on 11-03-2016, Vide Notification UAHS(S)/R/Rectt./Non-Teaching/25/2016-17, dated:04-04-2016, to start the recruitment process Vide Notification No:UAHS(S)/R/Rectt. SP & Tech.Asstt./1533/2015-16, dated: 15-09-2015. Now in the 25<sup>th</sup> Co-ordination Committee Meeting of Farm Universities of Karnataka held on 08-03-2017 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Government of Karnataka has instructed all the Farm Universities to fill up the group 'C' Service Personnel Posts on merit basis by written test/practical test only and to forgo the Score Card procedure strictly. Further, this University has already advertised the Service Personnel Posts and recruitment process would start in a short while. Hence, the proposal is submitted for kind perusal and approval of the Board of Management to recruit the Service Personnel Posts on merit basis by written test/practical test only as decided in the 25<sup>th</sup> Co-ordination Committee Meeting.

The Board approved the Item, after a detailed discussion.

(Action: Registrar)

**Item No. 5**

**Estimate to procure "Automated capillary system with analysis software for SSR Marker study"**

The College of Agriculture, UAHS Shivamogga, in its jurisdiction, the Department of Genetics and plant Breeding is a well established Department to carryout conventional plant breeding research. There are modern techniques have emerged, where DNA based marker studies to supplement conventional plant breeding methods. Hence, there is a need of state of art Biotechnology lab. The marker analysis is laborious while Automated capillary system with analysis software for SSR Marker study is more efficient to carry out marker analysis of large samples in short period where in only one equipment can do the same SSR marker study and it is very accurate, reliable. The Department needs this equipment for research and development. The financial involvement is Rs. 19.5 lakhs.

**The Board approved the Item and suggested to follow the KTTP procedures while purchasing.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

**Item No. 6**

**Establishment of Pesticide Residue Laboratory at UAHS, Shivamogga.**

The pesticide residues are detected in soil, water and food products more than their limit of concentrations due to more of chemical farming and indiscriminate use of agrochemicals in today's modern agriculture practices. A potential hazard to consumers from contaminated food with pesticide residues is currently a major public health concern. Excessive exposure to some pesticides may cause acute adverse health effects. Pollution of soil and water and food contamination is the major problems caused by unscientific use of pesticides and it will be addressed through constant monitoring of residue levels in soils, water and food materials. To achieve this, a Pesticide Residue Analysis Laboratory will be equipped with Gas Chromatography - Mass Spectrophotometer (GC-MSMS) and ultra-HPLC (High Performance Liquid Chromatography) at UAHS, Shivamogga with the aim of analyzing the pesticide residues in soil, water and food samples. Also the fresh samples like fruits and vegetables from open market will be analyzed for pesticide residues. At UAHS, Shivamogga, no facility has been created for the analysis of residues of pesticides in soils, waters, crops and food produce. Based on analysis of large number of food samples (fruits, vegetables) and soils, permissible tolerance limits of pesticide residues in soil, water, crops and food commodities will be prescribed for the benefit of farming community and publics as per WHO standards. The cost of GCMS is Rs. 82 lakhs (RKVY) and for HPLC is Rs. 32 lakhs (GOK plan grants).

**The Board approved the Item, after detailed discussion and suggested to follow the procedure of KTTP Act.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

**Item No. 7: Proposal for supply of Paddy Combined harvester for implementation of A-Z mechanization in paddy at ZAHRS, Mudigere.**

In order to promote paddy cultivation by mechanization and sustainable production of paddy and to reduce the labour dependency in paddy cultivation it is proposed for purchase Combined harvester. Budget provision is made under creation of Assets AB/AC: 700107/806 for Rs. 28,00,000/- under State Department budget (GOK): Bhoosamruddhi Yojana.

**After having detailed discussion, the item was approved and also the Board suggested to purchase for all the centres of the University, wherever paddy is cultivated extensively. However, it was decided to purchase one Combined Harvester and use it for harvesting paddy in all paddy growing Stations by adjusting harvest dates.**

**Item No. 8**

**Construction of Farmers Training Centre at AHRS, Bhavikere**

Large number of Farmers are visiting Agriculture and Horticulture Research Station, Bhavikere regularly. They are visiting mainly to attend the training programmes. However, there are no training facilities to train them. Hence, a building is proposed with a plinth area of 160 sq.mtrs which needs to be tendered through e- tender process. A financial involvement of Rs. 40.00 Lakhs is made under the State grants, 2017-18.

**The item was deferred and the Board advised to strengthen the existing Training Hostel at KVK, Shivamogga.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

**Item No. 9**

**Construction of F – type Quarters at College of Horticulture, Mudigere**

The UAHS, Shivamogga has established the College of Horticulture, Mudigere. The Campus is away from city and it is very much necessary for some of the essential Faculty to stay in the campus. A financial involvement of Rs. 30.00 Lakhs is proposed under the State grants of 2017-18.

**The Board after detailed discussion approved the item as put up in the agenda.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

**Item No. 10**

**Erection of two Polyhouses at Agricultural and Horticulture Research Station, Ullal.**

The UAHS has established the Agricultural and Horticulture Research Station at Ullal. Polyhouses are needed to conduct research activities for the protected cultivation in Horticulture and also to multiply planting material in large scale under RKVY project, "Large scale Multiplication of Elite Horticultural Planting material." The size of the two polyhouses will be 192.00 sqm and 124.00 sqm. They are very essential to take up above activities. A financial involvement of Rs. 35.00 Lakhs is provided under RKVY grants of the year 2017-18 (Ab/Ac. 640055/880).

**The Board, after detailed discussion approved the item to construct fully automated poly houses.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

**Item No. 11**

**Construction of Seminar Hall and First Floor Dormitory at AHRS, Ullal.**

Large number of Farmers are visiting Agriculture and Horticulture Research Station, Ullala regularly. They are visiting mainly to attend the training programmes. However, there are no training facilities to train them. Hence, a building is proposed with a plinth area of 125 sq. mtrs which needs to be tendered through e- tender process. A financial involvement is Rs. 35.00 Lakhs which will be provided under RKVY grants of the year 2017-18 (A b/Ac. 640055/880). A financial involvement of Rs. 55.00 Lakhs is sanctioned under the State grants of 2017-18.

**The Board approved the item, as put up in the agenda.**

Item No. 12

**Construction of Amenities Building at College of Horticulture, Mudigere**

The UAHS has established the College of Horticulture, Mudigere. For student activities like Study Centre, Library, JRF Exam Cell, e- Laboratories, Seminar halls *etc.*, are essential. However, there is no space to take up such important activities in the campus. Hence, a Ground and First floor building is proposed with a plinth area of 150 sq.mtrs each to be taken up through e- tender process to house all of these activities. A financial involvement of Rs. 100.00 Lakhs is earmarked under the State grants 2017-18.

**The Board, after detailed discussion suggested to construct P.G. Laboratories cum seminar hall with ground and first floor and asked to revise the budget.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

Item No. 13

**Construction of Metalling and Asphaltting main approach road at AHRS, Honnavile.**

The main road of the farm which connects the North and South gate is an important road of the farm for the transport of inputs and produce and, also for the visitors. Presently, the road is not of good quality and the hardships are faced by the people especially during the rainy season due to the heavy rainfall. Hence, metalling and asphaltting are essential for the smooth transport in the campus. The road will be developed for 2.20 KM with metal and asphalt layers. An amount of Rs.50.00 lakhs is sanctioned under state grant for the year 2017-18.

**The item was approved as put up in the agenda as per the KTCP Act.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

Item No. 14

**Construction of compound wall for boundary of AHRS, Kathalagere**

Constantly the produce and other material at AHRS, Kathalagere being stolen from the premises by the trespassers nearby Kavalithanda Village existing near the campus. Therefore, there is a necessity to build the strong compound wall to prevent the movement of trespassers in the campus near the vulnerable areas. This accounts to 580.00 mtrs length with RCC pillars and solid blocks. An amount of Rs. 50.00 lakhs is earmarked under the State grants for the year 2017-18.

**The item was approved by the Board and asked to execute as per the KTCP Act.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

Item No. 15

**Construction and formation of Sports Ground with pavilion at AHRS, Kathalagere.**

The University has initiated the Diploma Agriculture College at AHRS, Kathalagere. The student and faculty need the play ground with the pavilion to conduct sports and other athletic activities. Hence, the proposal is made to build the ground with pavilion for 200 sitting capacity. The pavilion will be constructed, under this two rest rooms with attached wash rooms will be also built independently for ladies and gents. An amount of Rs. 60.00 lakhs is earmarked under the state grant for the year 2017-18.

**The Board after detailed discussion approved the item and asked to follow the KTCP procedure.**

**Item No. 16**

**Providing and laying irrigation pipe line to UAHS, Navile Farm from Navile, Thunga channel.**

The water is supplied to ZAHRS Farm, Shivamogga from Thunga channel from the Navile village. The old channel was damaged recently while widening of National Highway. The same thing has to be restored by relaying the pipeline. The length of the DI pipeline will be 1800.00 mtrs running from village to the campus. This would cost Rs. 85.00 lakhs which has been sanctioned to the UAHS, from the KSHIP Department, Govt. Of Karnataka. An amount of Rs. 85.00 lakhs has been sanctioned by KSHIP from its grants.

**The item was approved as put up in the agenda.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

**Item No. 17**

**Constitution of Finance Committee of UAHS, Shimoga**

Constitution of Finance Committee is essential as per the provision of Chapter- VI, No. 43 of the Act. In order to examine the accounts and budget estimate to review the financial positions and to make recommendation to the Board on the matters of budget allocation and economy. Therefore it is proposed to constitute following Finance Committee of University of Agricultural and Horticultural Sciences, Shivamogga.

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| 1. The Vice-Chancellor   | - | Chairman         |
| 2. The Principal Secretary of Government, Finance Department or his nominee not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary.                  | - | Member           |
| 3. The Principal Secretary or Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department or his nominee not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary. | - | Member           |
| 4. One member of the Board of Management nominated by Vice Chancellor. – Prof. V. Veerabhadraiah.                                      | - | Member           |
| 5. Registrar   | - | Member           |
| 6. The Comptroller   | - | Member Secretary |

**The Board approved the item, as put up in the agenda**

**(Action: Registrar)**

**Table Agenda Item No. 1**

**Post facto Consideration of request of Dr. Jayaprakash S.M, for deputation for higher studies leading to Ph.D Programme**

Dr. Jayaprakash S.M. had requested the University for part time deputation for higher studies leading to Ph.D Programme vide ref. No. ZAHRSB/347/2013-14 dated 14-08-2013 and vide ref. dated 25-02-2014. During that time Director of Education had written a letter to the Special Officer, UAHS, Shivamogga stating that there are no existing guidelines from UAHS, Shivamogga for deputing the staff for higher studies. However, as per the draft notification prepared by the University based on the guidelines of UAS, Bangalore & UHS, Bagalkot, Mr.Jayaprakash S.M. was eligible to get the part time deputation facility. Accordingly he got the admission for Ph.D during 2013-14 at UAHS, Shivamogga.

But, University did not taken any decision for his deputation till date, however, he is perusing his Ph.D at his own cost. Again, he has requested the University (letter vide ref. No. ZAHRS (B)/1014/2017-18 dated: 11-10-2017) to consider deputation for Ph.D.

**The Board approved the item and advised to provide part time deputation for higher studies leading to Ph. D Programme, since from the date of entry into Ph.D.**

**(Action: Registrar)**

Table Agenda Item No. 2

**Permission for distributing Rs. 24,48,125/- Production incentive to the farmers under NFSM Pulse Mission Seed Production Programme 2016-17.**

During the year 2016 – International pulse Year, in order to encourage pulse seed production the Government of Karnataka under NFSM Pulse Mission - seed production programme recommended production incentive @ Rs. 2500/qtl. (75% for farmer and 25% for seed producing agency). Accordingly, University has received a sum of Rs. 25.00 lakhs towards production incentive, to be distributed to the farmers who had taken up pulse crops seed production during *Kharif*, 2016 season. The budget provision made under AB A/c 700103 DAC 000501 for the year 2017-18. A total of 979.25 qtl. of Redgram variety BRG-2 and 4 was produced under farmer participatory seed production programme by 68 farmers of Chitradurga and Davanagere districts during the year 2016-17. A total of Rs. 24,48,125/- has to be distributed to the farmers who had participated in our pulse seed production programme organised by the UAHS during the year 2016-17 as per the list enclosed.

**The Board after critical evaluation deferred the item.**

Table Agenda Item No.3

**Permission to waive off the financial loss in Redgram seed production taken up by the Seed Unit (AHRS, Kathalagere), UAHS, Shivamogga.**

A total of 1010.05 q. Certified and Truthfully labelled seeds of Redgram variety BRG-2 and 4 was produced by Seed Unit, AHRS, Kathalagere under the farmers participatory seed production programme during the year 2016-17. Due to failure of rains during the Redgram sowing periods i.e. June and July months during 2017-18, only 161.60 q. was sold through KSSC/KSDA.

Validity of these seed lots was upto 21-11-2017. Even if we apply for revalidation after the expiry date, revalidation will be given for a period of only three months i.e. upto 20-02-2018. This will not cover the 2018 *kharif* sowing season.

Further, the seeds being untreated, pulse crops are more prone for pest damage and quality deterioration under the existing ambient storage conditions. Since, the University does not have the cold storage facilities, in order to avoid further quality deterioration and financial loss, it had to be converted in to bulk grain and sold in the market immediately.

Hence, an urgent meeting was held on 23-08-2017 under the Chairmanship of the Vice Chancellor, Director of Research Comptroller to discuss the seriousness of the issue and was decided to sell the produce at APMC, Chitradurga. Accordingly a total receipt of Rs. 18,77,778/- was realized by selling 848.45 q. of Redgram at APMC, Chitradurga. The details pertaining to the present proposal is enclosed in the prescribed format. Finally, by converting the Redgram seed as grain and selling in the APMC Chitradurga there is a loss of Rs. 21,24,322/- to the University. This was done in the interest of avoiding further financial loss to the University.

**The Board went through the details critically approved the item and suggested to claim from seed risk fund.**

**(Action: Nodal Officer, Seeds)**

Table Agenda Item No. 4

**Construction of Girls Hostel at College of Forestry Ponnampet.**

The UAHS has established the College of Forestry Ponnampet. There is a shortage of space for accommodation of Girls students in existing Girls hostel building and there is no any infrastructure to accommodate the girls student in the campus. Hence building is proposed with a plinth area of 562.00 sq.mtrs to be taken up through e – tender process. A financial involvement of Rs. 100.00 Lakhs is earmarked under the State grants 2017-18.

**The item was approved by the Board and suggested to follow the KTTP Act and suggested to construct common bath and toilets instead of attached bathroom and toilets.**

Table Agenda Item No. 5

**Construction of Girls Hostel Second floor at College of Horticulture, Hiriyyur.**

The UAHS has established the College of Horticulture, Hiriyyur. There is a shortage of space for accommodation of Girls Students in existing Girls hostel building. Hence, there is a need to make an additional floor of 15 rooms for girls students in the campus. Hence second floor building is proposed with a plinth area of 400 sq.mtrs to be taken up through e- tender process. A financial involvement of Rs. 100.00 Lakhs is earmarked under the State grants 2017-18.

**The item was approved by the Board and suggested to follow the KTTP Act and suggested to construct common bath and toilets instead of attached bathroom and toilets.**

**(Action: Estate Officer)**

**Other issues discussed**

**1. Issue of orders to the CAS promoted teachers and service personnel.**

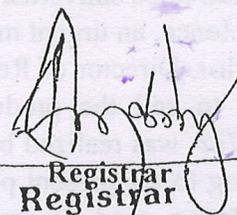
The Board asked the University to get the clarification from the Government before issuing the orders.

**2. Formation of Works Committee.**

The Board directed the Chairman to constitute the Works Committee after getting clearance from the Government.

**3. Raising the salary of drivers as it is increased for the messengers according to Supreme Court Order.**

**4. The Board suggested to re-advertise teaching and non-teaching posts which have been advertised already.**



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