

MINUTES OF THE 8/2020 MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE
HELD ON 17th NOVEMBER 2020

Place of Meeting : Online meeting
Date : 17th November 2020

Members attended:

1. Prof. Gopinath Ravindran, Vice-Chancellor
2. Sri.Ferold Xavier, Secretary to Govt, Finance Dept.
3. Sri.Ajayan C, Secretary to Govt., Higher Education Dept.
4. Dr. V.P.P. Mustafa
5. Dr. T. P. Ashraf
6. Dr. K.T. Chandramohanan
7. Dr. Prasadani P. K.
8. Dr. P.P. Jayakumar
9. Sri.Pramod Kumar K.V.
10. Dr.Rakhi Raghavan
11. Sri.M. C. Raju
12. Smt. M. Sreelekha
13. Dr. K Sreejith
14. Prof. P Maheshkumar
15. Prof. V. Lissy Mathew

Also present : Sri. Mohammed E.V.P, Registrar (I/C)

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Item No.	Description	Section
2020.470	Selection Committee minutes, if any. Nil	
2020.471	Recommendations with regard to Private Registration in the light of decision of the Govt. for establishing Kerala State Open University. Deferred for detailed study by the Standing Committees on SDE and General Affairs vide item No.2020.434. Resolved to introduce private registration for all UG/PG/Diploma/Certificate programmes (earlier offered by SDE) till such time as Sree Narayana Guru Open University starts admitting students as Kannur University is not eligible to offer Distance Education Courses. This will provide an opportunity to students requiring Distance Education Programmes.	SDE
2020.472	Bifurcation of the Dept. of Commerce and Management Studies of the M.G.College, Iritty into 'Dept. of Commerce' and 'Dept. of Management Studies'. Deferred for detailed study by the Standing Committee on Course in Affiliated Colleges vide item No.2020.459. Resolved to grant permission to bifurcate the Dept. of Management Studies as Dept. of Commerce and Dept. of Management Studies.	Acad.H
2020.473	Cancellation of Ph.D Registration in respect of Sri.Riyas.K.M, Part-time Research Scholar in Physics under the guidance of Dr.K.M.Nissamudeen. Noted.	RD-A
2020.474	Reporting the matter of additional allocation of Rs.50,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Lakh only) to the Head of Account 832-901 House Construction Advance in the Budget Estimates 2020-21. Noted.	Fin.B
2020.475	Reporting the matter of re-appropriation of fund Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) to the Head of Account MH-42-342-254 Seminars & Workshops from the Head of Account MH-28-328-262 Miscellaneous of the budget estimates 2020-21. Noted.	Fin.B
2020.476	Reporting the action of Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned payment of an amount of Rs.60,00,000/- (Rupees Sixty Lakh only) to the Executive Engineer, CPWD, Kannur Central Division on account of the work of "Construction of Administration cum Academic Block for Dept. of Zoology at Mananthavady campus. Noted.	Pl.D C

2020.477	Reporting the action of Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned payment of an amount of Rs.1,00,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore only) to the Executive Engineer, CPWD, Kannur Central Division on account of the work of “Construction of 100 bedded Ladies Hostel at Dharmasala Campus. Noted.	Pl.D C
2020.478	Reporting the action of the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned an amount of Rs.3,31,893/- (Rupees Three Lakh Thirty One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Three only) to M/s. Kerala State Rubber Co-op Ltd, RUBCO House, Kannur, towards the purchase of furniture items required for the modernization work of School of Pedagogical Sciences Library, Dharmasala. Noted.	PICO-A
2020.479	Reporting the action of the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the payment of Rs.3,18,304/- (Rupees Three Lakh Eighteen Thousand Three Hundred and Four only) to C-Dit Thiruvananthapuram, towards the cost of purchase of 49000 Nos. of Legal size security marklist. Noted.	EG-III
2020.480	Ratification of publication of results and award of Degrees – PG/Professional Programmes. Resolved to ratify and to award Degrees.(Appendix-1)	EG-I
2020.481	Reporting the action of the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned Rs.11,04,480/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Four Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty only) towards the cost of purchase of first lot of 3,25,000/- Nos. of bar-coded answer books. Noted.	EG-III
2020.482	Reporting the matter of remittance of fine paid by the Examiners Smt.Remya.V, Dr.Reena Sebastian and Sri.Jobby Thomas in compliance with the Syndicate decision on charges of delinquency. Noted.	Ex.IX
2020.483	Ratify the action of the Vice-Chancellor in having sanctioned the withdrawal and redistribution of grace marks already added to the courses of VI Semester UG Programmes. Ratified.	EC-II
2020.484	Application submitted by the Kerala Institute of Hospitality Management Society, for starting a Hospitality Management College, under the Tourism Dept. of Govt. of Kerala, at Thalassery, for the academic year 2020-21. Resolved to seek more details about own land, infrastructural facilities & AICTE approval from the Kerala Institute of Hospital Management College, under the tourism Dept. at Thalassery.	Acad.A

2020.485	Legal opinion furnished on the application submitted by Malabar Educational Society for Human Resource Development and Research (MESHR) for starting B.Ed College, for the academic year 2020-21. Approved.	Acad.A
2020.486	Granting Continuation of Provisional Affiliation to B.Sc Psychology programme at AWH-Al-Badar Special College, Payyanur , for the academic year 2019-20 Granted.	Acad.A
2020.487	Report of the Inspection conducted at St.Joseph's College, Pilathara, on permanent increase of seats for three UG Courses . Approved.	Acad.A
2020.488	Request of Dr.Anup Kumar.K for extension of joining time for 90 days to join as Professor in the Dept. of Biotechnology & Microbiology. Granted.	Acad.A
2020.489	Minutes of the hearing conducted on 22/7/2020 with Mrs.Kavitha Balakrishnan by the Standing Committee on General Affairs, Office & Staff . Approved.	Acad.B
2020.490	Restructuring of M.Ed Course fee at School of Pedagogical Sciences, Dharmasala. Resolved to reduce the fee as Rs.12,000/- per year with effect from 2020-21.	Acad.D
2020.491	Request of Smt.Ajitha.V.R, 2007-12 BA LLB (Honours) student of School of Legal Studies, Palayad to complete the course of study . Deferred until the report of the Academic Council is received.	Acad.D*
2020.492	Proposed fee structure of Post Graduate Diploma in Data Science (PGDDS) Programme in the Dept. of IT,Mangattuparamba campus. Resolved to direct the Head, Dept. of IT, Mangattuparamba to redesign with reduced fee structure (Tuition fee & Laboratory fee).	Acad.D
2020.493	Appointment of Principal in charge as DDOs in Aided Colleges affiliated to Kannur University, without appointing the Principals as per the UGC Regulations. Resolved to extend the term of the Principal-in-charge of Aided colleges as DDOs upto 31st March 2021, if requested, considering the financial exigencies involved.	Acad.H

2020.494	Draft proposal for Statute Amendment regarding mode of approval of appointment of teaching staff in Govt. and Aided Arts & Science Colleges. Deferred for detailed study by the Standing Committee on Staff in Affiliated Colleges.	Acad.H
2020.495	Request of Director, IT, for appointing a Senior Programmer for three months. Resolved to grant permission for appointing a Senior Programmer for three months to develop the software into a finished product and for the smooth functioning of the admission process.	Ad.B
2020.496	Engaging Gardener in all campuses of the University through Kudumbasree @ Rs.490/- per day. Resolved to engage Gardener in all campuses of the University in connection with the forthcoming NAAC visit. This engagement will continue till the NAAC visit.	Ad.C
2020.497	Amendment to Kannur University Ordinances 1999 – Consider the matter of withdrawing proposal for amendment with regard to the re-designation of the post of Lower Division Typist as Computer Assistant and to consider the proposal afresh on the basis of Govt. concurrences for Integration and re-designation of Typist cum Stenographer as Computer Assistant. Resolved to grant permission to withdraw the earlier proposal and to approve the revised proposal.	Ad.E
2020.498	Reply received from the Govt. with regard to reviewing the existing norms of imposing penal interest on unutilised portion of temporary advance drawn. Noted. Further resolved to authorize the Standing Committee on Finance to study and report its recommendations.	SDE-I
2020.499	Request of Vikas Publishing House Pvt Ltd, Noida, U.P, towards the pending payment for developing MBA Study material for SDE. Resolved to release the actual expense to M/s.Vikas Publishing House Pvt Ltd, Noida.U.P, for developing MBA study material for SDE since SLM should be ready in all respects before submitting application for MBA Programme to the Distance Education Council of India.	SDE-I
2020.500	Report submitted by the Director, School of Distance Education regarding enhancement of TA to Course Co-ordinators for conducting contact classes as resolved by the Syndicate vide item No.2020.375. Approved.	SDE-I

2020.501	Reporting the eligibility criteria to conduct Certificate/Diploma Programmes under ODL mode for the year 2020-21 in the light of UGC (Open and Distance Learning programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020. Noted. Further resolved to implement private registration for Certificate/Diploma programmes under ODL mode for the year 2020-21.	SDE-I
2020.502	Condonation of shortage of attendance in respect of Sri.Abhilash.T.K, Part-time Research Scholar in Geography, during the period from 12/6/2014 to 31/12/2015. Resolved to grant condonation of shortage of attendance in respect of Sri.Abhilash.T.K with a fine of Rs.3,000/-	RD-A
2020.503	Condonation of shortage of attendance for 29 days during the period from 1/1/2020 to 23/3/2020 & 1/7/2020 to 5/10/2020 in respect of Sri.Sudheesh.C.S, Part-time Research Scholar in Physical Education. Resolved to grant condonation of shortage of attendance in respect of Sri.Sudheesh.C.S with a fine of Rs.3,000/-	RD-A
2020.504	Condonation of shortage of attendance for 28 days during the period from 24/6/2019 to 23/3/2020 & 1/7/2020 to 24/9/2020 in respect of Smt.Rasna.M.V, Part-time Research Scholar in English . Resolved to grant condonation of shortage of attendance in respect of Smt.Rasna.M.V with a fine of Rs.3,000/-	RD-A
2020.505	Ratification of result approved and award of Ph.D Degrees to Smt.Dhanya Balan.A.P (Chemistry), Smt.Swathi Krishna.C (Botany), Smt.Navya Gopal (Zoology) and Sri.M.P.Vasu (Malayalam). Ratified and awarded.	RD-B
2020.506	Request submitted by the Secretary, All Kerala Research Scholars Association (AKRSA), Kannur University regarding the fee levied for the submission of final thesis by the Ph.D scholars both full-time and part-time/FDP and for M.Phil Programmes. Deferred for detailed study by the Standing Committees on Finance and CRLP.	RD-C
2020.507	Granting change of Research Supervisor in respect of Sri.Mathew Varkey, Full-time research scholar in Mathematics from Dr.Sabu Sebastian to Dr.T.V.Ramakrishnan . Granted.	RD-C
2020.508	Tender document for the development of Mobile App for on line entry of marks from Centralised Valuation Camps. Approved.	PI.D B

2020.509	Depositing enhanced compensation in Land Acquisition Appeals Resolved to remind the Govt. of proceedings involving District Collector, Kannur for depositing enhanced compensation in Land Acquisition appeals. Further resolved to authorize the Land Acquisition Officer to submit a report regarding possibility of Vigilance enquiry from the Standing Counsel.	Pl.D E
2020.510	Establishing Counseling Centers at various campuses of Kannur University. Resolved to grant permission for establishing Counselling centres at various campuses of Kannur University. Further recommended to extend the service of the Counseling Centres to the teaching and non-teaching staff, parents and the local community in anticipation of the forthcoming NAAC visit during 2020-2021.	Pl.D E
2020.511	Request of the Chairperson, BoE of II Semester MA Journalism & Mass Communication (CBSS-R/S/I) Degree Examination, April 2020 regarding the conduct of Practical Examination deviating from the stipulation in Regulation in view of the Covid-19 pandemic. Approved as a special case due to Covid-19 pandemic.	Ex-CII
2020.512	Recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examination to approve the guidelines for appointment for Chief Superintendent etc for the conduct of University Examinations. Approved.	Ex.CII
2020.513	Representations from the Principal and PTA of Mar Thoma College for the Hearing Impaired, Cherkala and other candidates for special consideration in valuation of answerscripts of differently abled candidates and allied matters, along with matters relating to introducing special scheme with regard to valuation of answerscripts of differently abled candidates as per Syndicate resolution No.2019.312. Deferred for detailed study by the Standing Committee on Examination and in consultation with Exam Branch.	EG-I
2020.514	Draft formats of applications (1) to be used by differently abled candidates for applying for scribe and compensatory time, and (2) to be used by the Chief Superintendent for reporting the details of scribe used. Approved.	EG-I
2020.515	Permitting the Final year UG & PG Degree candidates of SDE (already registered) who could not attend their theory and practical examinations due to various Covid-19 related reasons to attend special examination.	EG-I

	Resolved to conduct special examination for those students (SDE) who could not attend their theory and practical examination due to various Covid-19 related reasons, without any additional fees.	
2020.516	Conducting Second Professional BAMS Examinations and Third Professional BAMS Examinations for supplementary candidates. Resolved to conduct II & III Professional BAMS Examinations for supplementary candidates by levying a fee of Rs.1000/- per paper and special supplementary exam fee of Rs.5,000/-.	EG-I .
2020.517	Report in the matter of fixing responsibility for the lapses occurred in the publication of result (II Semester B.Com April 2019) of 9 students of Sree Narayana College of Management Studies, Periya. Approved. Further directed the Controller of Examinations to caution the tabulations sections not to repeat such lapses in future.	EC-II
2020.518	Request of Smt.Ramya.A.R (Reg.No.GK15CMSR23) to change the date of issue in the final grade card. Resolved to grant permission to cancel the improvement chance of Ramya.A.R for which she was absent. The consolidated grade card and Degree certificate be revised accordingly with a fine of Rs.1,000/-.	ES-I
2020.519	Proposal for amendment to Kannur University Ordinances 1999- Insertion of new sub clause (3) immediately after sub clause (2) under Ordinance 1 Appointment of Examiners and Question paper Setters of the Chapter IV – APPOINTMENT OF EXAMINERS AND QUESTION PAPER SETTERS. Approved.	EX-CII
2020.520	Condonation of shortage of attendance in respect of Smt.Soumya Maria Jacob, Research scholar in Chemistry. Resolved to condone shortage of attendance in respect of Smt.Soumya Maria Jacob with a fine of Rs.3,000/-	RD-A
2020.521	Amendment to Kannur University First Statutes 1998 and Kannur University Ordinance 1999 – Consider the matter of withdrawing the proposal for amendment with regard to the post of Assistant and to consider the proposal afresh on the basis of G.O revising the condition of pass in Department Test and Declaration of Probation. Resolved to withdraw earlier amendment proposal approved vide item No.2017. 642 dated 22/9/2017. Further resolved to approve the revised proposal prepared on the basis of G.O issued in this regard.	Ad-A
2020.522	Approval of Staff Profile of Self Financing Colleges for the academic year 2020-21. Resolved to grant approval of staff profile of self financing colleges considering the Covid-19 situation.	Acad.A

2020.523	Reporting the matter of issuance of Ordinance (University Laws (Amendment) Ordinance 2020), by the Hon'ble Governor of Kerala on 4/10/2020 with respect to the application for affiliation of new courses in affiliated colleges for the academic year 2020-21 and action taken by the University consequent to this Ordinance . Approved.	Acad.A
2020.524	Belated application for additional increase of seats received from the Principals, NAM College, Kallikkandy & MM Knowledge Arts & Science College, for the academic year 2020-21. Resolved to grant additional increase of seats to NAM College, Kallikkandy & MM Knowledge Arts & Science College considering the demand for increase in the backdrop of Covid-19 situation, with a fine of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) per course in addition to the requisite fee for marginal increase.	Acad.A
2020.525	Recommendation of the Standing Committee on General Affairs, Office & Staff held on 9/7/2020 with regard to the promotion to the post of Professor under CAS of UGC in respect of Dr.Joby K.Jose, Associate Professor, Dept. of Statistical Sciences. Approved. Resolved to refer the matter to the API Score Verification Committee for re-consideration.	Acad.B
2020.526	Promotion of 17 Assistant Professors in various Aided Colleges affiliated to the University, under CAS of UGC. Deferred for detailed study by the Standing Committee on Staff in Affiliated Colleges.	Acad.H
2020.527	Reconsider the resolution of the Syndicate on item No.2020.185 dated 10/3/2020 related to a representation submitted by All Kerala Research Scholars Association Resolved to modify the resolution No. 2020.185 dated 10/3/2020 as "Resolved to authorize the University Apex Research Committee to study the matter included in the representation submitted by AKRSA"	RD-A*
2020.528	'General Modalities for implementing Post-Doctoral Fellowships and Emeritus Professorships in Kannur University', submitted by Prof (Dr). C.Sadasivan, Dept. of Biotechnology & Microbiology. Deferred for detailed study by the Standing Committee on Course, Research, Library and Publication.	IQAC
2020.529	Proposal for the programme 'Earn While You Learn', submitted by Dr.Amil.R, Associate Professor, School of Physical Education and Sports Sciences and Convenor of the Sub-committee for the criterion IV (Infrastructure and Learning Resources) of the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR). Resolved to approve in principle. Further resolved to entrust the Standing Committee on Course, Research, Library & Publication to prepare and submit the guidelines on the modalities on implementation within 10 days.	IQAC

2020.530	Letter received from Ms.Anisa Aslami, Research Scholar, School of Pedagogical Sciences, requesting to reduce the rent for the stay of her sister Ms.Palwasha Aslami from April 2020 to October 2020. Resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to reduce the rent for the stay in the context of Covid-19 lockdown situation.	Pl.D B
2020.531	Transferring the work related to MoUs from the Pl.D Branch to the Academic Branch. Resolved to transfer the work related to MoUs from Pl.D B Section to IQAC Section.	Pl.D B
2020.532	Approval of the decisions and recommendations of the meeting of the Board for Adjudication of Student Grievances (BASG) held on 6/11/2020. Approved.	DSS
2020.533	Condonation of shortage of attendance in respect of Sri.Biju Joseph, Part-time Research scholar in Economics who has already submitted final thesis . Resolved to condone the shortage of attendance in respect of Sri.Biju Joseph with a fine of Rs.3,000/- only.	RD-C
2020.534	Changing of Research Supervisor in respect of Smt.Anusree.C, Full-time Research Scholar in Economics from Dri.Sunitha.B Nair to Dr.K.Gangadharan and change of Research Centre from Dept. of PG Studies and Research in Economics, Govt. College, Kasaragod, to Dept. of Economics, Dr.Janaki Ammal Campus, Palayad, Thalassery Granted.	RD-C*
2020.535	Granting of legal charge for each appearance to Adv.O.K.Sasindran, Legal Advisor- Complaint No.1089/2017 filed by Sri.Jayadevan before Kerala Lok Ayuktha. Resolved to sanction Rs.5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) as additional fee to Adv.O.K.Sasindran towards appearing 10 times before the Kerala Lok Ayuktha in Case No.1089/2017.	Ex.X
2020.536	Ratification of Publication of results and Award of Degrees – UG/PG/Professional Courses. Ratified and awarded. (Appendix-1)	EG-I
2020.537	Legal opinion received from the Standing Counsel, on the matter of reviewing the promotion granted to Sri.Vinod.K, as Assistant Engineer (Civil), directly from Overseer Grade- II (Civil). Approved. Further resolved to inform the matter to the Govt. Also resolved to consider the matter of granting promotion to Sri.Vinod.K, to the post of Asst. Executive Engineer (Civil) as per rules.	Ad.E

2020.538	Request of Smt.Raveena.P.V, student of Kannur University under SDE, to value the Project Report submitted by the students. Resolved to value the Project Report submitted by 71 students of UG-SDE 2017-20 batch and to revise the result accordingly.	SDE-III
2020.539	Request of the President, Ambedkar Memorial Trust for Education & Culture, to reconsider their application for New Generation Programme in BEJA Model College of Arts & Science, rejected by the University and also the Administrative sanction granted by the Govt. for the New Generation Programme to the College. Noted.	Acad.A
2020.540	Reporting the engagement of Adv.P.V.Dinesh on behalf of the University for appearing in SLP (c) No. 10253/2020 filed by the Govt. of Kerala before the Supreme Court. Noted.	Acad.H
2020.541	Releasing DCRG to Sri.Preman.K.P, AR (Retired). Resolved to release the withhold DCRG of Sri.Preman.K.P, Asst. Registrar (Retired) subject to the final disposal of Dept. proceedings pending against him.	Ad.B
2020.542	Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee on General Affairs, Office & Staff held on 27/10/2020. Approved. (Appendix-II)	Ad.A
2020.543	Resolved to approve the recommendations made by Dr.Prasadan.P.K, Member, Syndicate, regarding the launching of new three P G Programmes in the University Depts.(Appendix-III)	Acad. A.
2020-544	Resolved to approve the recommendations submitted Dr.Prasadan.P.K., Member, Syndicate, as entrusted by IQAC for the promotions of research activities in the University.(Appendix-IV)	IQAC/RD
2020.545	Resolved that late fee and fine prescribed as per U.O.No.EA II-2/2015 dated 13/8/2015 and U.O.No.EG-I-2/1/GEN/1 dated 14/3/2019 need not be levied towards the defaults falling during the period from 23/3/2020 to 9/10/2020 in the backdrop of Covid-19 pandemic situation. Further resolved to refund the already remitted in this regard to the colleges, if requested.	Exam Branch.
2020.546	Resolved to increase 10% of seats in all the University Depts. except for B.Ed Course.	Acad.D
2020.547	Resolved to invite applications for starting new colleges for the academic year 2021-22 from the Co-operative sector only, in the light of the guidelines as per G.O dated 20/8/2020.	Acad.A

2020.548	Resolved to convene a meeting of the stakeholders including MLAs of the region with regard to re-allocation of University depts.	Acad.A
2020.549	Resolved to clarify that the Syndicate resolution No.2020.390 shall be made applicable with effect from 2017 admission only.	EP-I
2020.550	Resolved to start the newly sanctioned programmes in Govt/Aided colleges/University Departments from the academic year 2020-21 itself. Further resolved to proceed with AS (Administrative Sanction) from the Govt. for granting affiliation to the programmes. Also resolved to entrust Curriculum re-structuring Committee to finalise the syllabus of the new programmes constituting an Expert Committee comprising former Chairpersons of UG/PG Board of Studies, Head of the Dept. of the concerned colleges/University Department and an External Expert. Further resolved to commence the class by 15 th December 2020.	Acad.A/C
2020.551	In view of the G.O regarding 100% attendance of Full-time employees in the offices, resolved to entrust the Registrar/Finance Officer/Controller of Examinations to strictly maintain attendance of all employees during normal office hours. Lunch break will be from 1.15 P.M to 2 P.M as per circular No. Rules-2/90/2019 P & ARD dated 17 th August 2019. Signing out will be permitted only after 4.30 P.M in exceptional cases due to Covid-19 with the permission of Superior Officers.	Ad.A
2020.552	The Syndicate seriously noted that the resolutions passed by the Senate at its meeting held on 20/1/2020 and 21/7/2020 is not sent from the Branches for the consideration of the Syndicate despite circulars issued in this regard. Further directed the Registrar to take immediate corrective measures.	PA to Registrar/ All Branches
2020.553	The above minutes are read and confirmed.	

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VICE-CHANCELLOR