CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF GUJARAT

Gandhinagar - 382030

Minutes of the 44th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 10.06.2024 at 04:00 p.m.

Pursuant to Meeting Notice, 44th Meeting of the Executive Council was held in hybrid mode on 10.06.2024 at 04:00 PM in VLRC Conference Hall at Sector-29, campus of the University. The following members attended the Meeting Members Present:

- 1. Prof. Rama Shanker Dubey, Vice Chancellor (Ex-Officio, Chairman)
- 2. Prof. Ganga Prasad Prasain- Attended Online
- 3. Prof. S. Srikrishna Attended Online
- 4. Prof. J.P. Singh- Attended Online
- 5. Prof. Saket Kushwaha- Attended Online
- 6. Prof. Akbar Masood- Attended Online
- 7. Prof. Kavita Shah- Attended Online
- 8. Prof. Sanjay Kumar Satyarthi- Attended Online
- 9. Prof. Jayendrakumar N. Amin
- 10. Prof. Prakash C. Jha
- 11. Prof. Tapas Kumar Dalapati- Attended Online
- 12. Prof. Seema Rawat
- 13. Prof. Pallavi Sharma
- 14. Prof. Man Singh- Attended Online
- 15. Dr. Subhash Kumar- Attended Online
- 16. Dr. Roshan Lal Jahel
- 17. Prof. H. B. Patel, Registrar (Ex-Officio, Secretary)

The following officials were special invitee for the meeting and attended the meeting.

- 1. Prof. Sanjay K. Jha, Finance Officer
- 2. Shri Darshan G. Maru, CoE
- 3. Shri Jayprakash M. Soni, DR(Admin)
- 4. Shri Pawan Pathak, Executive Engineer

After a warm welcome by the Registrar followed by Kulgeet recitation, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor gave brief account of academic vibrancy, achievements of DACE students in various competitive examinations, shifting to new campus, status of construction work etc. Further, he informed that the University has conducted all its examinations and published results as per academic calendar and has started admitting students for the AY 2024-25.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor then took up the agenda items for deliberation.

Confirmation of Minutes

Agenda No. 00/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To confirm the Minutes of the 43rd meeting of the Executive Council held on 30.04.2024. **Resolution No. 00:** As no comments/suggestions were received on the circulated MoM, the Executive Council confirmed the Minutes of 43rd meeting.

Items to Note

Agenda No. 01/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To note UGC approval of the Budget Estimate under Salary-(36), Recurring-(31) and Capital Heads-(35) for the FY 2024-25.

The University submitted the BE, duly approved by FC and EC, for FY 2024-25 under the Recurring (31), Salary (36) and Capital (35) to the UGC vide letter F.No.21-2/2019/CUG-Finance/Vol-V/02 dated 03.04.2024. Against the same, UGC has approved the Budget Estimate for the F.Y. 2024-25. Copy of the approved B.E. 2024-25 is attached as **Annexure-I to III**.

EC is requested to kindly note the same

Resolution No. 01: The House noted the UGC approval of the Budget Estimate under Salary-(36), Recurring-(31) and Capital Heads-(35) for the FY 2024-25.

Items to Consider

Agenda No. 02/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To consider the nomination on the panel for the appointment of the Vice Chancellor

A communication has been received from MoE, GoI regarding the appointment of the new Vice Chancellor of the Central University of Gujarat. (Annexure-IV) As per Statute 2(4) of the CU Act, 2009, the Vice Chancellor shall hold office for a term of five years from the date on which he enters upon his office, or until he attains the age of seventy years, whichever is earlier, and he shall not be eligible for re-appointment. The five-year term of Prof. Rama Shankar Dubey will expire on 21.11.2024.

The appointment of the Vice Chancellor is done as per Statute 2 of the Statutes of the University, the relevant portion of which is reproduced below:

(1) The Vice-Chancellor shall be appointed by the Visitor from out of a panel recommended by a Committee as constituted under clause (2):

Provided that if the Visitor does not approve any of the persons included in the panel, he may call for an extended fresh panel.

(2) The Committee referred to in clause (I) shall consist of five persons, out of whom three shall be nominated by the Executive Council and two by the Visitor, and one of the nominees of the Visitor shall be the convener of the Committee.

Accordingly, the Executive Council is requested to nominate three persons to sit on the panel.

Resolution No. 02: The House unanimously authorized Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUG to nominate three persons to sit on the panel for the appointment of the Vice Chancellor.

Agenda No. 03/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To consider the recommendation of panel for the appointment of the Chancellor

A communication has been received from MoE, GoI regarding the appointment of the new Chancellor of the Central University of Gujarat. (Annexure-V) As per Statute 1(2) of the CU Act, 2009, "the Chancellor shall hold office for a term of five years and shall not be eligible for re-appointment. Provided that notwithstanding the expiry of his term of office, the Chancellor shall continue to hold office until his successor enters upon his office." The term of Dr. Hasmukh Adhia, the Chancellor of Central University of Gujarat, has ended on 07.03.2024.

The appointment of the Chancellor is done as per Statute 1 of the Statutes of the University, the relevant portion of which is reproduced below:

(1) The Chancellor shall be appointed by the Visitor from a panel of not less than three persons recommended by the Executive Council from amongst persons of eminence in the academic or public life of the country:

Accordingly, the Executive Council is requested to recommend the panel for the appointment of the Chancellor of the Central University of Gujarat.

Resolution No. 03: Dr. Hasmukh Adhia is currently serving as the Hon'ble Chancellor of the Central University of Gujarat. His tenure has been distinguished by remarkable contributions to the university's progress in the realms of academics, administration, and the mentorship and motivation of faculty and staff. His unwavering guidance, profound involvement, and genuine care have been truly commendable. His leadership and steadfast support have significantly expedited the construction of the major portion of the university's 100-acre permanent campus in Vadodara, within just two years. In recognition of his extraordinary impact on the university's growth and to ensure his continued invaluable mentorship, the Executive Council of the Central University of Gujarat unanimously and ardently recommends that Dr. Hasmukh Adhia continue to serve as the Honourable Chancellor of the University, in accordance with Statute 1(2) of the Central University Act of 2009.

The House further resolved that in case the above recommendation of the EC is not accepted by the Competent Authority, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUG is unanimously authorized to recommend a panel of names of three persons on behalf of Executive Council of the University.

[Action - HR/Admin Dept./F&A]

Agenda No. 04/44/EC/10.06.2024

To consider the requirement of additional outsourced staff for permanent campus

In pursuance of Resolution No. 17 of Executive Council (EC) meeting dated 30/04/2024 the University had written letter to the Ministry of Education for requirement of 150 additional outsourced staff for permanent campus (Annexure-VI) for the services of Mason, Carpenter, Welder, Plumber, Sewerman, Wireman, Khalasi, Substation Operator, Substation Helper, Painter, Lift Operator, Pump Operator, WTP and STP

Operator, Operator for Fire / HVAC, Gardner, ICT / CCTV Network, Housekeeping staff etc.

Additionally, in permanent campus it is pertinent to allot dedicated non-teaching staff for smooth functioning of administrative work of all Schools/Departments/Centres. Hence, the University submitted the additional requirement of 40 outsourced Non-Teaching Staff (Clerical and Attendants) to the Ministry of Education (Annexure-VII) against vacant positions.

Executive Council is requested to kindly consider and approve the same.

Resolution No. 04: The House considered and approved requirement of additional outsourced staff for permanent campus.

[Action - HR/Admin Dept.]

Agenda No. 05/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To approve the requirement of additional grant towards shifting charges from Old Campus, Gandhinagar to New Campus, Kundhela, Vadodara under Recurring Head -31

Finance Committee in its 36th meeting on 21.03.2024 approved University request for additional fund to meet the requirements related to shifting of University to its permanent campus in Kundhela. The same was submitted to UGC along with BE for FY 2024. However, the UGC approval of BE under the Recurring Head is not sufficient to meet our current year expenditure requirement which includes proposed expenditure towards shifting of university temporary campus, Gandhinagar to its permanent campus at Kundela, Vadodara tentatively in the m/o June & July 2024.

Hence, the requirement of the additional amount of Rs.600.00 lakhs (approximately) towards shifting University equipment/furniture, ICT infrastructure and other items including official documents has been submitted to the UGC. The requirement includes transfer TA payment to the regular employees of the University as per Government of India rules. Copy of the letter is attached as **Annexure-VIII.**

The EC is requested to approve the additional requirement of funds for shifting of University to its permanent campus at Kundhela.

Resolution No. 05: The House considered and approved the requirement of additional grant towards shifting charges from Old Campus, Gandhinagar to New Campus, Kundhela, Vadodara under Recurring Head -31

[Action - F&A Dept.]

Agenda No. 06/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To Consider the status of fund utilized and requirement for the construction of permanent campus of the university at Vadodara.

The year wise fund received and utilisation till 05.06.2024 for the construction of permanent campus is as follows.

Project Sanctioned cost – Rs. 425.36 Cr. + Rs. 65.27 Cr. (due to increase in GST rate and escalation) = 490.63 Cr.

Till F.Y. 2022-23

Sr. No.	Description	Fund received in Cr.	Fund utilized in Cr.				
A	Summary of fund till FY 23-24	208.06	208.06				
1	Payment made to CPWD	203.14					
2	Payment made to Architect Consultant, local body approval, connection charges, GEETCO Line shifting work etc.		4.92				
F.Y. 2024-25							
В	Summary of fund for FY 23-24	60.00	50.00				
1	Payment made to CPWD		49.80				
2	Payment made for Water Connection		0.20				
	TOTAL (A+B)	268.06	258.06				

For the FY 2024-25, the university demanded Rs. 217.30 Cr. (187.30Cr. for Construction +30Cr. for ICT, Sports, and Scientific equipment) and till 05.06.2024, fund received from Ministry of Education is Rs. 60.00Cr. (50Cr. for Construction +10.00Cr. for ICT, Sports and Scientific equipment) The university has submitted letters to the Ministry of Education to release balance an amount of Rs. 157.30 Crores under grant in aid capital assets (35) for the Financial Year 2024-25.

Further, the balance amount of Rs. 65.27 Cr will be required in FY 2025-26 and extension of financial year for 2025-26 may be required for the completion of project. The university has also submitted letters to Ministry of Education for the urgent requirement of fund of Rs. 126.50 Cr out of total balance requirement of 157.30 Cr. as per the demand raised by CPWD and extension of time for utilization of fund. (Annexure-IX)

The Executive Council is requested to kindly consider the same.

Resolution No. 06: The House considered and approved the status of fund utilized and requirement for the construction of permanent campus of the university at Vadodara.

[Action - IWD, F&A Dept.]

Agenda No. 07/44/EC/10.06.2024

To Consider the additional Recurring head fund requirement

The Central University of Gujarat is going to shift from Gandhinagar to Its permanent campus of Central university Gujarat Kundela Vadodara. The upcoming permanent campus is spread over 100 acers of Land with Approx. 75000 Sqm built up area. Additional 150 outsourcing staff for technician, Housekeeping and Security staff were already demanded by the University. Hence additional recurring fund required for smooth functioning of the campus. The details under various head were listed below:

Sr. No.	Description	Approx. Amount (Rs. In lakhs)	
1	Housekeeping services including consumables	Rs. 354 lakhs (Yearly)	
2	Security / Guards services	Rs. 250 Lakhs (Yearly)	

	Total	Rs. 879 Lakhs (Yearly)	
5	Internet Charges	Rs. 25 lakhs (Yearly)	
4	Water charges	Rs. 10 lakhs (Yearly)	
3	Electricity Charges	Rs. 240 lakhs (Yearly)	

Resolution No. 07: The House considered and approved the additional Recurring head fund requirement.

[Action - IWD, F&A Dept.]

Agenda No. 08/44/EC/10.06.2024

• To Consider Purchase of a new Bus to Cater for the requirement of the University at Kundhela, Vadodara

As the permanent campus of CUG is being made ready at Kundhela, Vadodara, the University is scheduled to start shifting to new campus in the m/o June & July 2024 and conduct its academic activities at the new campus from AY 2024-25. In this regard it is brought to the kind attention of Hon'ble Members that the permanent campus at Village Kundhela is approximately 25 km from Vadodara city with limited residential and hostel facilities for students and employees of the University. Moreover, there is lack of such facilities near the permanent campus of the University. As a result, a substantial number of employees and staff would commute from Vadodara to Kundhela on daily basis. The University is constraint to provide bus facility to the students and staff.

Since the existing buses are insufficient to meet the existing and projected requirements, a proposal for procurement of new passenger bus was placed before the Finance Committee in its 32nd meeting dated 11.11.2022 vide Agenda No. 14 for consideration. The Finance Committee discussed in detail the issues and recommended that the University should submit a proposal to UGC for procurement of new bus considering the condemning the existing bus which is approximately 10 years old as per GFR. Accordingly, the University vide its letter F.No.: 2-2(39)/2022-23-AA/187 Date: 26.05.2023 sought the approval and additional grant for procurement of bus from the UGC.

Given the urgency of requirement, the University requests EC to consider and approve the proposal to purchase a New Bus against the condemning the existing bus from the grant approved under Capital Head-35 in the current F.Y. 2024-25. The expenditure incurred thereon will be adjusted against the additional grant received from UGC under Capital Head-35 for the said purpose.

The EC is requested to consider and approve the above proposal.

Resolution No. 08: The House considered and approved the Purchase of a new Bus to Cater for the requirement of the University at Kundhela, Vadodara and directs the University to take up the matter with the UGC to use Capital head fund for this purpose.

[Action - F&A Dept.]

Additional Agenda

Agenda No. AA01/44/EC/10.06.2024

To consider and approve the confirmation of Teaching Staff(s).

The University has appointed the following teaching staff(s) in the Centre for Diaspora Studies (CDS) of the University on probation for a period of 01 year as per UGC Regulations 2018:

Sl. No	Name of the Employee	Designation	Department / School	Date of appointment	Date of Confirmation
1	Dr. Naresh Kumar	Professor	Centre for Diaspora	06/06/2023 (AN)	06/06/2024 (AN)
2	Dr. Rajneesh Kumar Gupta	Associate Professor	Studies (CDS)	05/06/2023 (AN)	05/06/2024 (AN)

As per UGC Regulations 2018 and CUG Ordinance No. 19, on completion of the mandatory period of probation of the above mentioned Teaching Staff(s) may be considered for confirmation with effect from the date mentioned against their names.

The Executive Council (EC) is requested to consider the same.

Resolution No. AA01: The House considered and approved the confirmation of Teaching Staff(s).

[Action - HR/ Admin Dept.]

Agenda No. AA02/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To consider the extension of "Lien" to Dr. Rajesh Singh on the post of 'Assistant Professor' of School of Environment and Sustainable Development (SESD) of the University.

Dr. Rajesh Singh, Assistant Professor (Level-12), School of Environment and Sustainable Development (SESD) of the University has been permitted to hold 'Lien' for a period of one year on the post of 'Assistant Professor', SESD, CUG to enable him to join the post of 'Associate Professor' Department of Environmental Science (DES), Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.

Dr. Rajesh Singh was relieved from the University services w.e.f. 29/05/2023 (AN), vide Office Order No. 81/HR/2023-24, dated 29/05/2023, the same has been ratified by the Executive Council in its' meeting held on 31/10/2023, vide Resolution No.27/41/EC/31.10.2023.

The tenure of 'Lien' expired on 28/05/2024; and Dr. Rajesh Singh has requested for extension of Lien for one more year or till confirmation of his services at BBAU, whichever is earlier.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council (EC) for consideration of extension of lien period.

Resolution No. AA02: The house considered and approved the extension of "Lien" to Dr. Rajesh Singh on the post of 'Assistant Professor' of School of Environment and Sustainable Development (SESD) of the University

[Action - HR/ Admin Dept.]

Agenda No. AA03/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To ratify the acceptance of resignation in r/o Dr. Balu Dan Barahth, Associate Professor, Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies (DGTPS), School of Social Sciences (SSS).

The Central University of Gujarat has appointed Dr. Baludan Barahth as 'Associate Professor' in the Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies (DGTPS), School of Social Sciences (SSS) of the University, w.e.f. 07/07/2023 (FN).

Dr. Balu Dan Barahth has taken 'Lien' / Leave' from his parent organization, i.e. Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, Rajasthan to join Central University of Gujarat (CUG).

Dr. Balu Dan Barahth has tendered resignation on 30/05/2024 with request to accept his resignation from the post of 'Associate Professor' of DGTPS, SSS. Further, he has requested to relieve him on 30/06/2024 (AN) to resume his duties as 'Assistant Professor' at his parent University in the Department of Political Science, UCSSH, Mohanlal Sukhadia University, Udaipur, Rajasthan.

The Executive Council (EC) is requested to ratify the resignation of Dr. Balu Dan Barahth accepted by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University.

Resolution No. AAO3: The House ratified the decision taken by the University in acceptance of resignation in of Dr. Balu Dan Barahth, Associate Professor, Department of Gandhian Thought and Peace Studies (DGTPS), School of Social Sciences (SSS).

[Action - HR/ Admin Dept.]

Agenda No. AA04/44/EC/10.06.2024

 To consider and ratify acceptance of resignation of Dr. Rashmi Tukaram Kumbar, Assistant Professor, School of Library and Information Sciences (SLIS); and waive the notice period.

The Central University of Gujarat has appointed Dr. Rashmi Tukaram Kumbar as 'Assistant Professor' in the School of Library and Information Sciences (SLIS) of the University, w.e.f. 21/01/2017 (FN).

Dr. Rashmi Kumbar has tendered resignation on 15/04/2024 with request to accept her resignation from the post of 'Assistant Professor' of SLISC and she has requested to relieve her on 15/06/2024 (AN).

Dr. Rashmi Kumbar has further requested to waive the notice period.

The Executive Council (EC) is requested to consider and approve the resignation tendered by Dr. Rashmi Tukaram Kumbar from the post of Assistant Professor of SLIS, CUG and waive off the notice period on her resignation.

Resolution No. AA04: The House unanimously ratified the acceptance of resignation of Dr. Rashmi Tukaram Kumbar, Assistant Professor, School of Library and Information Sciences (SLIS) waiving off the notice period.

[Action - HR/ Admin Dept.]

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Registrar and Secretary, Executive Council

Central University of Gujarat