

The Minutes of the 231st meeting of the Executive Council of the University held on 30.1.08 at 11 a.m. in the meeting room of the Administrative Building.

Member Present:

1. Prof. A. Basumajumdar, Vice-Chancellor (Chairman).
2. Prof. R.N. Ghosh.
3. Prof. B.N. Chakraborty.
4. Prof. Soumitra De.
5. Prof. Basudeb Basu.
6. Dr. Debabrata Mitra.
7. Dr. Ashis Kumar Nanda.
8. Prof. Sekh Rahim Mondal.
9. Dr. Aniruddha Saha.
10. Dr. Subrata Panchanan.
11. Dr. Debi Prasad Boot.
12. Sri Mahendra Kumar Roy.
13. Dr. Pankaj Kumar Debnath.
14. Md. Sadiqul Islam.
15. Partha Sarathi Das

The Finance Officer and the Inspector of Colleges were present as invitee.

CONDOLENCE

Before commencement of the day's business, the members of the Executive Council expressed their profound sorrow at the sad and sudden demise of:-

AMITAVA DASGUPTA:

An eminent Poet who started his career as a teacher in Bengali in Dhanbad and later joined Ananda Chandra College, Jalpaiguri. Finally he came to Kolkata and took his assignment in St. Paul's College, Kolkata as a teacher in Bengali.

ASESH PRASAD MITRA:

An eminent scholar in the field of Atmospheric Environment, Radio Communication, Ionospheric Physics, Atmospheric Chemistry and Space Research and his outstanding works on the use Cosmic Radio Noise for studies on upper atmospheres and in many related areas earned him international reputation in the field of Physical Science. He was also an ex-Director of CSIR.

SWAMI GAHANANANANDAJI MAHARAJ:

President of the Ramkrishna Math and Mission, Belur Math. He was closely associated with the Ramkrishna Math and Mission since 1939. He was also a former Secretary of the Ramkrishna Mission Seva Pratisthan, Kolkata.

ARCHANA SHARMA:

One of the eminent Biological Scientists of the country. Spent most of her life in the University of Calcutta as a Professor in the Department of Botany.

ARATI BHATTACHARYA:

including University of North Bengal.

JUSTICE ANANDA BHATTACHARYA:

A leading name in the field of Juridical Science, Former Chief-Justice and a prolific writer and eminent speaker in the field of Law.

The members of the Executive Council extended their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family and observed silence for a minute.

1. To place before the Executive Council the resolution of the 230th meeting of the Executive Council held on 27.12.07 for consideration (Annexure- I).

Decision: Resolved that with the resolutions of the Executive Council dated 27.12.2007 be confirmed with the following minor alterations and additions.

I. Sl. No. 2(i) shall be substituted by Sl.No. 2 (vii) and vice versa.

II. In sl. no. 14 the sentence "however, with the confirmation of service of Dr. D.K. Sarkar as Registrar from 28.11.07 (fore noon), his lien upon the post of the Controller of Examinations stands cancelled" be inserted after the first sentence.

III. In sl. no. 19 the sentence "This decision is for the above cases only" be inserted after the first sentence.

2. Any emergent agenda to be placed by the Chair.

i. To welcome, Prof. Arunabha Basumajumdar, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and to give thanks to Prof. P.K. Saha , former Vice-Chancellor of the University.

Decision: The members of the Executive Council heartily welcome Professor Arunabha Basumajumdar as Vice-Chancellor, North Bengal University and Chairman of the Executive Council and express thanks to the former Vice-Chancellor, Prof. P.K. Saha.

ii. To report that the lien bound service of Dr. Subrata Kr.Roy, Reader, Department of Chemistry has been terminated on 4.5.07 in view of the expiry date of lien and letter of resignation of Dr. Roy w.e.f. 4.5.07.

Decision: Noted and approved.

iii. To consider the terms and conditions of "Undertaking" to be submitted to the Distance Education Council of the IGNOU for availing development grant vide letter dated 24.1.08 of the DDE of the University.

Decision: Resolved that the matter be approved.

iv. To consider the names for providing Honoris Causa D.Litt. and D.Sc. Degree of the University.

Decision: Resolved that the proposal of the Honoris Causa Committee be approved and the following persons of eminence be awarded the said degree:

I. Prof. Amiya K. Bagchi - D.Sc.

II. Prof. Bela Dutta Gupta - D.Litt.

The decision was confirmed for immediate action.

v. To nominate one expert for the screening of the application of Professorship Dr. S. Roy, Reader in Sociology.

Decision: Resolved that the matter be left to the Vice-Chancellor.

- vi. To consider a note of the Head, Department of Law regarding renewal of contract of Ms. Sangeeta Mandal and Mr. Sanjay Kr. Singh full – time contractual teacher, Department of Law.

Decision: Resolved that the renewal part of the contractual teacher in the note of the Head of the Department of Law be regretted. A Committee on vacancy and requirement of teachers in Law Departments may consider the issue. The Committee consisting of the Registrar, The Dean, Faculty Council for P.G. Studies in Arts, Commerce & Law, Dr. D. Mitra, the Finance Officer, Dr. Partha Sarathi Das, The Head, Department of Law, The Secretary, Faculty Council for P.G. Studies in Arts, Commerce & Law (**Convener**) is requested to submit the report within 20.2.08. Pending recommendation of the Committee, Ms. Sangeeta Mandal and Sanjoy Kr. Singh may be allowed to work as guest teachers till 30.4.08 without any additional financial burden. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.

- vii. To consider a letter received from the Director, Technology Management, National productivity Council relating to setting up of centers of Excellence in the filed of Petrochemicals. (To be placed).

Decision: Resolved that the proposal be accepted and the following Committee be constituted for the purpose:

The Dean, Faculty Council for P.G. Studies in Science (Chairman and Convener), Dr. A. Saha, Head of the Departments of Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Bio-technology, Micro-biology, Dr. A.K. Nanda.

The Chairman/Convener be requested to send the proposal within seven days.

- viii. To nominate two members to the Disposal Committee as per Finance & Accounts Rules [Clause 9(ii) of Chapter XII] of the University.

Decision: Resolved that the following persons be nominated to the Disposal Committee:

I. Dr. Anirudhya Saha.

II. Prof. Soumitra De.

- ix. To report that the Government has sanctioned Dearness Allowance to State-aided universities @ 29% of pay w.e.f. 1.1.08 vide no. 39(13)-Edn(U) dated 24.1.08.

Decision: Noted for implementation.

- x. To consider an application of Dr. A.K. Panda, Reader, Department of Chemistry seeking special casual leave for a period from 3.3.08 to 30.4.08 to enjoy endeavour India Fellowship.

Decision: Resolved that the application of Dr. A.K. Panda, Reader, Department of Chemistry was considered under leave rules "leave not due" provision and the decision be left to the Vice-Chancellor.

- xi. To consider a Perspective Plan for USIC.

Decision: Resolved that the matter has been considered. The Committee consisting of the Head, USIC (convener), the Dean of Science Faculty, the Finance Officer, the Registrar, the Heads of all the Science Departments, the Development Officer, the University Engineer shall submit its report on the issue within 31.03.08. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.

3. To consider a letter from the Head, Department of Computer Science & Applications with a request to recruit at least four teachers on contractual basis for the department.

Decision: Resolved that a Committee consisting of the Chairman, Secretary, Faculty Council for P.G. Studies in Science

(Convener), the Registrar, the Finance Officer, the Head, Department of Computer Science & Applications, Prof. B. Basu be requested to examine the matter and submit the report by 28.2.08. The Committee may consider financial issues involved, requirement of teachers and availability of the Guest Faculties. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.

4. To consider recommendations of the Committee constituted by the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 26.03.07 under item no.14 relating to policy for payment of additional remuneration to the teachers / officers of the University (in substantive post) for performing additional duties as Head of the Self-financed courses and also in other cases of additional duties as Head. (Annexure-II)

Decision: Deferred to the next meeting.

5. To consider the note of the Finance Officer regarding the decision of the Finance Committee on the proposal of affiliation fees of the colleges suggested by the Inspector of Colleges as referred by the Executive Council vide its meeting dated 19.9.2007 under item no 28. (Annexure-III)

Decision: Resolved that the note of the Finance Officer be approved including go-down issue as raised in his note. Resolved further that a letter be issued to the P.H.E.to vacate the go-down within thirty days. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.

6. To consider the minutes of the 2nd meeting of the committee constituted by the Executive Council dated 18.7.2007 regarding various issues of self-financed courses. (Annexure-IV)

Decision: Resolved that the matter be referred back to the same Committee for further working out details of the whole issue including staff structure and the report be submitted to the next meeting of the Executive Council.

7. To nominate three experts for the Selection Committee to consider the promotion of Dr. Karubaki Dutta, Reader, Centre for Himalayan Studies to the post of Professor under CAS (1st stage).

Decision: Resolved that the following persons be nominated as expert for the Selection Committee:

- I. Prof. Suchibrata Sen, Department of History, Visva Bharati, P.O. Santiniketan – 731235.
- II. Prof. Arun K. Bannerjee, Department of History, Calcutta University, 1, Reformatory Street, Kolkata – 27.
- III. Prof. Himadri Bannerjee, Department of History, Jadavpur University, Jadavpur University, Kolkata – 32.

The decision was confirmed for immediate action.

8. To report that the Vice-Chancellor has approved the note of the Registrar relating to re-validation of registration certificates. (Annexure-V)

Decision: Noted and approved.

9. To nominate two members to the Governing Body of the following colleges
- a. Sukanta Mahavidyalaya (One member)
 - b. Eastern Duars B.Ed. College (One member)
 - c. Gangarampur B. Ed. College (One member)
 - d. Vivekananda Teachers Training College
 - e. Sonada Degree College
 - f. South Malda College

Decision: Deferred to the next meeting.

10. To consider the minutes of the 130th meeting of the Executive Council (to be placed)

Decision: Resolved that the minutes be approved with the following decisions:

Item No. 2 be Regretted, No. 8 be Left to the Vice-Chancellor and Misc. 4 be itemized separately in the next meeting of Executive Council.

APPENDIX I

11. To consider the letters received from the employees (Gr.IV) on liveries. (to be placed)

Decision: Resolved that the matter be left to the Vice-Chancellor.

12. To consider the minutes of the 115th meeting of the Council for U.G. Studies held on 25.01.08. (to be placed)

Decision: Resolved that the minutes be approved.

APPENDIX II

13. To report that the Vice-Chancellor has approved the project on GIS mapping & survey data processing of Dhupguri Municipality under CDS North Bengal University. (Annexure-VI)

Decision: Noted and approved. However, Prof. Subir Sarkar be requested to place the papers relating to the project to the Jt. Directors, Centre for Development Studies (CDS) from time to time.

14. To consider a general policy for accommodating Emeritus Fellows of the University in the University quarters subject to recovery of the house rent as assessed by the University.

Decision: Resolved that the Emeritus Fellows may be accommodated in the University Quarters subject to availability of Teachers' Quarters and then are to pay the rent per mansam as fixed by the existing assessed rent of the quarters so allotted. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.

15. To report that the Vice-Chancellor has released Prof. B. Basu, Department of Chemistry from Headship, University Science & Instrumentation Centre on 01.01.08 (forenoon)

Decision: Noted and approved.

16. To report that the Vice-Chancellor has appointed Prof. B. Basu, Department of Chemistry to act as Head of University Science & Instrumentation Centre w.e.f. 01.01.08 (forenoon) till further notice.

Decision: Noted and approved.

17. To report that Dr. D. K. Sarkar, former Controller of Examinations has resigned both from the North Bengal University Court and the Executive Council w.e.f. 3.1.2008.

Decision: Noted and approved.

18. To consider the minutes of the 32nd meeting of the Purchase Committee held on 16.1.2008. (to be placed)

Decision: Resolved that the minutes be approved. Items so referred may be purchased under DGS&ND rate contract from any other Vendor/s till 31.03.08. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.

APPENDIX III

19. To consider the reports of the Viva-Voice of the Ph. D. thesis.

Decision:

Sl.No.	Subject	Name of the Candidate	Name of the Supervisor(s)	Title of the Thesis
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1	Zoology	Sri Ranendra Nath Seal	Prof. Bikas Ch. Pal	ECONOMIC STUDIES ON SANTHALS, MUNDAS AND ORAONS IN THE HILI BLOCK, DAKSHIN DINAJPUR, WEST BENGAL, INDIA
2	Zoology	Sri Kamal Krishna Das	Prof. Bikas Ch. Pal	ECOLOGIC AND ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF RHESUS MONKEYS(MACACA MULATTA ZIMMERMANN) ON MANGO CULTIVATION IN MALDA DISTRICT, WEST BENGAL, INDIA
3	History	Sri Nilangshusekhar Das	Prof. A.G. Ghosh	ROLE OF THE PRESS AND ASSOCIATION IN THE SOCIO-CULTURAL AND POLITICAL MOVEMENTS: A CASE STUDY OF NORTH BENGAL (1869-1969)
4	Botany	Smt. Belinda Lahon	Prof. U. Chakraborty	STUDIES ON HEAVY METAL STRESSES IN OKRA (ABELMOSCHUS ESCULENTUS (L.) MOENCH)
5.	Political Science	Sri Afzal Hossain	Prof. Md. Yasin	ROLE OF THE STATE IN THEORIES OF DEVELOPMENT: AN EXPERIENCE IN THIRD WORLD WITH REFERENCE TO INDIA
6	Economics	Smt. Tulika Kar	Prof. A. Bhuimali	INDIA'S TRADE PERFORMANCE UNDER LIBERALIZED REGIME
7	Bengali	Sri Sukanta Mukhopadhyay	Dr. Mir Rejaul Karim	"রুবীন্দ্র উপন্যাসে চরিত্র সম্বন্ধে বৈশিষ্ট্যের আঞ্চলিক বিশ্লেষণ"
8	Bengali	Smt. Sipra Sarkar(Sengupta)	Prof. P.K. Kundu	"বঙ্গের উপন্যাসে ধৃত্ব: বঙ্গীয় ও রুবীন্দ্র নাম।"

Resolved that the reports of the viva-voce examinations of the above noted candidates be approved and they may be admitted to the degree of Ph.D. in the respective faculties. Confirmed for immediate action.

20. To report that the Vice-Chancellor has granted re-employment to Dr. Malay Roy, Reader, in Commerce for one year w.e.f. 19.1.2008 for the 2nd term 3rd year.

Decision: Noted and approved.

21. To report that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has decided to conduct the meeting of the Selection Committee/Standing Committee during February, 08 at Kolkata Camp Office in view of the urgency of the visit of UGC team.

Decision: Noted and approved.

22. To consider the venue of Selection Committee for the post of Lecturer in Economics ordinarily at Kolkata Camp Office as desired by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor in view of the general interest of the University.

Decision: Deferred to the next meeting.

23. To consider formation of a Standing Committee for supervising physical verification of stores of a department / office under Rules 8(ii) of purchase and issue of stores.

Decision: Resolved that Standing Committee consisting of the Audit & Accounts Officer(Convener), the Deans, Faculty Council for P.G. Studies in Science and Arts, Commerce & Law, the Finance Officer, Dr. D. Mitra and Dr. A. Nanda be requested for supervising physical verification of stores of a department / office under Rules 8(ii) of purchase and other related issues of stores.

24. To nominate three experts for Selection Committee regarding CAS for placement in Senior Scale of the following Teacher(s) (i) Dr. Sanjib Kr. Dutta, Lecturer in Mathematics.

Decision: Resolved that the matter be left to the Vice-Chancellor.

25. To Consider the recommendation of Promotion Committee for promotion of the following non-teaching posts:

- a. Jr. Superintendent – 2 posts (UR)
- b. Sr. Peon – 1 post (SC)
- c. Sr. Durwan – 1 post (UR)
- d. Record Keeper – 1 post (UR)

Decision: Resolved that the recommendations be approved and the promotion be granted to the respective employees w.e.f. 30.1.08 as noted below. For the post mentioned in sl.no. (d) Sri S.N. Rajjak be interviewed as per rules.

- a. (i) Sri Sanjib Sarkar, Jr. Superintendent. (ii) Sri Susanta Kanjilal, Jr. Superintendent.
- b. Sri Kumar Darjee, Sr. Peon.
- c. Sri Purna Bahadur Mangar, Sr. Durwan.

Note: Confirmed with immediate effect by the Chair.

26. To nominate two experts for the standing committee to fill up the post of Asstt. Registrar in the Office of the Registrar.

Decision: Resolved that the matter be left to the Vice-Chancellor.

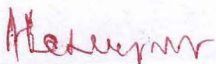
27. To consider the Case of the confirmation of the following employees:

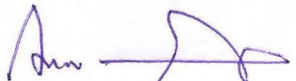
Name	Date of Joining	Date of Confirmation
1. Sri Karan Tamang, Lecturer, Deptt. of Economics	5.1.07	5.1.07
2. Sri Rajat Kr. Dey, Lecturer, Deptt. of Physics	4.1.07	4.1.07
3. Dr. Anirban Misra, Lecturer, Deptt. of Chemistry	17.1.07	17.1.07
4. Dr. Amiya Kr. Panda, Reader, Deptt. of Chemistry	18.1.07	18.1.07
5. Sri Ardhendu Mondal, Lecturer, Deptt. of Computer Sc. & Appl.	25.1.07	25.1.07
6. Smt. Rekha Mallick, Jr. Sweeper, Health Centre	15.11.06	15.11.06

Decision: Resolved that the concerned employees be confirmed with effect from the date mentioned against each of them. Confirmed for immediate action.

28. To consider a note received from the Chief In-charge, show cause notice to Sri Prabir Mitra, Sr. Darwan. (Annexure-VII)
- Decision:** Resolved that one man Inquiry Committee headed by the Inspector of Colleges as an Inquiry Officer be instituted. Resolved further that the Inquiry Officer be requested to submit the report within one month. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.
29. To report that the Section Officer (Evaluation), AIU has sent the clarification on the status of Company Secretary qualification to pursue Ph.D. Degree Programme. (Annexure-VIII)
- Decision:** Noted and resolved that the matter be referred to the Faculty Council for P.G. Studies in Arts, Commerce & Law for consideration.
30. To consider a letter received from Prof. S. N. Dhar, Member, NBU Court regarding proposal for Creation of Database accessibility as a Central Research Facility. (Annexure-IX)
- Decision:** Resolved that the matter be referred to the LAN Advisory Committee to examine the proposal for creation of Database accessibility as a Central Research Facility.
31. To consider a note from the Director, DACEEFO regarding amendment of Regulations relating to PGDRDEE Course. (Annexure-X)
- Decision:** Resolved that the matter be approved.
32. To consider the recommendation of the Vacancy Review Committee. (Annexure-XI)
- Decision:** Resolved that the matter be approved. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.
33. To consider the minutes of the Central Hostel Committee held on 14.1.08. (Annexure-XII)
- Decision:** Resolved that the matter be approved and confirmed for action with immediate effect.
34. To report that Dr. B. C. Paul, Sr. Lecturer, Deptt. of Physics has submitted a report relating to Research work done by him during study leave from Nov. 19 to Dec. 20, 2007 as per Study Leave Rules.
- Decision:** Noted and approved.
35. To report that process of tender for Renovation / extension of USIC Building has been suspended till further decision of the Authority.
- Decision:** Noted and approved.
36. To consider the application of resignation of Namita Chakma, Lecturer in Geography & Applied Geography w.e.f. 14.2.08 (afternoon) in view of her employment offer as Lecturer in Geography & Applied Geography at University of Burdwan.
- Decision:** Resolved that the matter be approved. The decision was confirmed for immediate action.
37. To consider the application of Prof. Bijan Das, Deptt. of Chemistry for the grant of extension of extra-ordinary leave by six months w.e.f. 30.4.08.
- Decision:** Resolved that the matter be approved as per rules.

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.


(Prof. A. Basumajumdar) 30/1/08
Chairman


(Dr. D.K. Sarkar)
Secretary.