# MINUTES OF THE 340<sup>th</sup> (Special) MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, D.U. HELD ON 7 August, 2018 AT 3.30 P.M. in the Conference Hall of *Vishranta*, Dibrugarh University

The following Members were present in the meeting:

01.	Prof. R. Tamuli, Vice-Chancellor, Dibrugarh University	:	Chairperson
02.	Prof. S.C. Kakaty, Head, Department of Statistics, Dibrugarh University	:	Member
03.	Prof. N.K. Handique, Head, Department of Assamese, Dibrugarh University	:	Member
04.	Dr. Kamal Gogoi, Principal, Moridhal College, Dhemaji	:	Member
05.	Dr. Dip Saikia, Principal, Digboi College, Digboi	:	Member
06.	Ms. Bandita Sachoni, Activist, Gandhi Nagar, Dibrugarh	:	Member
07.	Mr. Longsing Teron, Journalist and Social Worker, Diphu, Karbi Anglong	:	Member
08.	Mr. Ashim Kr. Dutta, Purnananda Road, Santipara, Dibrugarh	:	Member
09.	Dr. Malti, Retd. Principal, Kalindi College, Janak Puri, New Delhi	:	Member
10.	Dr. (Mrs.) Jyoti Borgohain, Retd. Principal, Dibru College, Dibrugarh	:	Member
11.	Dr. Dayananda Borgohain, Prestige Tower, F.A. Road, Guwahati	:	Member
12.	Dr. R. Saikia, Registrar i/c, Dibrugarh University	:	Secretary

The Chairperson welcomed the Members of the Council and called the meeting to order at 3.30 P.M.

The Chairperson informed the Members that on being appointed as the new Vice-Chancellor of the Dibrugarh University, he took charge of the Office of the Vice-Chancellor on 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 (forenoon). He also apprised that prior to that, he was serving as the Controller of Examinations, Rajiv Gadhi University, Arunachal Pradesh.

The Members of the Council congratulated Prof. Tamuli for being appointed as the new Vice-Chancellor of the University and welcomed him as the Chairperson of the Executive Council of the University. The Council also decided to record its appreciation for the sincere services rendered by Prof. Alok Kr. Buragohain, the outgoing Vice-Chancellor of the University.

The Chairperson apprised the Council the circumstances under which the Special Meeting had to be convened and informed that due to absence of a regular Registrar of the University, the University has been facing difficulties to perform the day to day works of the University in academic, administrative, finance *etc. etc.* He also informed the Council that the University advertised the post of Registrar, Dibrugarh University as per the provision of the Ordinance for the Post of Registrar, Dibrugarh University, 1970 (as amended upto April, 2008), and the Meeting of the Statutory Selection Committee was held on today, *i.e.*, on 07.08.2018 which interviewed the eligible candidates for the said post. Then, the Chairperson decided to place the recommendations of the Selection Committee before the Executive Council held today for considering approval under the following agenda item.

<u>Item No. (1)</u>: To consider recommendations of the Selection Committee, Dibrugarh University held on 07 August, 2018 for appointment of the Registrar, Dibrugarh University.

The Chairperson informed the Council that as per the provision of the Ordinance for the Post of Registrar, Dibrugarh University, 1970 (as amended upto April, 2008), the post of Registrar was advertised vide Advt. No. A-3/2018, dated 03.05.2018. He then presented before the Council the qualifications and experiences of the candidates for the post of the Registrar, Dibrugarh University. The Chairperson read out the recommendation of the Selection Committee held on 07 August, 2018 for appointment of the Registrar. The Members of the Council examined the qualifications and experiences of the candidates for the post of Registrar, Dibrugarh University and after being satisfied, as recommended by the Selection Committee, decided to appoint Dr. Hari Chandra Mahanta, Controller of Examinations, Dibrugarh University as the Registrar of the University. The following resolution was adopted:

## Resolution No. 1:

Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee held on 7th August, 2018 for appointment of the Registrar, Dibrugarh University as per provision of the Ordinance for the Post of Registrar, Dibrugarh University, 1970 (as amended upto April, 2008) be accepted and approved.

Resolved further that Dr. H.C. Mahanta, Controller of Examinations, Dlbrugarh University be appointed as the Registrar, Dlbrugarh University for a period of 5 (five) years w.e.f. the date of his joining or till he attains the age of 60 (sixty) years whichever is earlier, on the basis of the recommendations.

<u>Item No. (2)</u>: To report declaration of Notifications to award the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.).

After the last meeting of the Executive Council, Dibrugarh University held on 04.06.2018, the University has declared award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) to the eligible candidates vide Notifications No. DU/RG/Ph.D./07/18/2785, dated 02.07.2018 and No. DU/RG/Ph.D./08/18/2837, dated 01.08.2018. The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

The Secretary placed before the Members, the Notifications awarding the Ph.D. Degree vide No. DU/RG/Ph.D./07/18/2785, dated 02.07.2018 and No. DU/RG/Ph.D./08/18/2837, dated 01.08.2018 and the Members noted, ratified the same and decided to resolve as follows:

#### Resolution No. 2:

Resolved to ratify with appreciation.

**Item No. (3)**: Any other matter with permission from the Chair.

The Chairperson requested the Secretary to place before the Council few other matters for discussion and direction from the Council and the Secretary placed the matters one after another, as follows:

1. To consider the proposal of the Board of Management (BoM), Centre for Computer Studies, Dibrugarh University held on 4th July, 2018 for remaning the Centre as 'Centre for Computer Science and Appplication'.

A letter of the Chairperson, Centre for Computer Studies, Dibrugarh University issued vide Ref. No. DU/CCS/Renaming/18/4050, dated 18.07.2018, encompassing the proposal of the Board of Management, Centre for Computer Studies for renaming the Centre as 'Centre for Computer Science and Application' was placed before the Council for discussion. The Members discussed the proposal for renaming the Centre for Computer Studies as 'Centre for Computer Science and Application' in depth and raised certain points as to the relevance of the same. After thorough discussion, the Council decided to resolve as follows:

## Resolution No. 3:

Resolved that the recommendations of the meeting of the Board of Management (BoM), Centre for Computer Studies of the University held on 4th July, 2018 for renaming the Centre as 'Centre for Computer Science and Application' be accepted and approved.

2. To consider the report of the Common Pay Committee, 2017 on the matter of revision of pay of the non-teaching employees of the University.

The Chairperson apprised the Members about the communication received from the office of the Hon'ble Governor and Chancellor of the University on the matter of acceptance of the report of the Common Pay Committee, 2017 for necessary implementation of revision of pay of the non-teaching employees of the University. As directed, the Secretary read out the letter of the office of the Hon'ble Governor and Chancellor of Dibrugarh University issued vide No. GSA/12/2018/370, dated 08.06.2018, through which the report of the Common Pay Committee, 2017 was forwarded to the University. The Council decided to resolve as follows:

# Resolution No. 4:

Resolved that the report of the Common Pay Committee, 2017 for revision of pay of the non-teaching employees of Dibrugarh University be accepted for implementation by following due procedure on the basis of its acceptance by the Hon'ble Chancellor of Dibrugarh University, as communicated vide letter No. GSA/12/2018/370, dated 08.06.2018.

3. To apprise the decision of creation of 3 (three) supernumerary seats for the students belonging to the Tea Garden Labourers and Ex Tea Garden Labourers categories, on the basis of a direction of the

99th Meeting of the Court, Dibrugarh University held on 25.10.2016 and as per subsequent recommendation of the Committee constituted to examine the feasibility of the recommendation of the 112th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.10.2017.

The Secretary placed before the Council the note submitted by the Joint Registrar (Academic) dated 3rd August, 2018 and requested the Council to pass necessary direction on it, as some other ethnic organizations have demanded reservation of seats for their respective communities in light of the decision to create 3 (three) supernumerary seats for the students belonging to the Tea Garden Labourers and Ex Tea Garden Labourers categories by the University.

The Committee discussed the matter in depth and decided to resolve as follows:

#### Resolution No. 5:

Resolved that 2 (two) seats in the Arts and Humanities Departments, including in the Department of Mathematics and Department of Statistics and 1 (one) seat in M.Com. under regular mode be reserved for students belonging to the Tea Garden Labourer and Ex Tea Garden Labourer categories on supernumerary basis *w.e.f.* the academic session 2018-19, under the following conditions:

- i. In an academic programme, not more than 1 (one) seat from any of the categories of TGL and Ex TGL shall be admissible.
- ii. Not more than 7% of the total unreserved seats shall be allotted to any department.
- iii. The candidates seeking admission under these non-statutory reservation should fulfil the eligibility norm and their marks shall not be less than 5% of the cut off marks of the OBC, MOBC categories.
- 3. To discuss about the recurring financial involvement to the tune of Rs. 6,00,000.00 (Rupees six lakh) per month caused towards payment of salaries and allowances to the teachers of the Centre for Women's Studies, without getting financial assistance from the UGC.

The Chairperson pointed out that financial involvement to the tune of Rs. 6,00,000.00 (Rupees six lakh) per month are caused recurrently towards payment of salaries and allowances to the teachers of the Centre for Women's Studies, without getting any financial assistance from the UGC and the teachers of the Centre have been appointed for a term of 5 (five) years. The Council discussed the matter and heard on issues pertaining to it from the Assistant Registrar (F&A). The Council, taking serious note on the matter, decided to constitute a Committee which shall examine the matter for finding out necessary remedial and viable solutions and decided to resolve as follows:

# Resolution No. 6:

Resolved that a Committee be constituted with the following members to review the functioning of the Centre for Women's Studies of the University including the existing resources at its disposal which shall also offer necessary suggestions to minimize expenditure or other viable alternatives for functioning the Centre for Women's Studies:

01. Prof. J.G. Nath, Department of History : Chairperson

Prof. A. Saha, Department of Commerce : Member
 Prof. D.K. Chakraborty, Department of Economics : Member
 Sri Diganta Bora, Assistant Registrar (F&A) : Convenor

The Chairperson expressed his profound thanks to all present for their attendance and valuable suggestions towards the Council.

As there was no other matter for discussion, the meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to and from the Chair.

(R. Saikia)
Registrar i/c

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Secretary, Executive Council Dibrugarh University

Sd/- **R. Tamuli** Vice-Chancellor

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Chairman, Executive Council Dibrugarh University