

UNIVERSITY OF JAMMU



MINUTES

86th UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

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Draft Minutes of the 86th meeting of the University Council of University of Jammu held on September 11, 2020 at 04.00 p.m. under the Chairmanship of Sh. Manoj Sinha, Hon'ble Chancellor, University of Jammu (Hon'ble Lt. Governor, UT J&K).

PRESENT

i.	Sh. K.K. Sharma, IAS (Retd.) Advisor to Hon'ble Lt. Governor, (Revenue, Planning Development and Monitoring Industries & Commerce, School Education, Higher Education, Department of Skill Development and Agriculture Production/Horticulture)	ii.	Prof. Manoj K. Dhar, FNASc, FNAAS Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu
iii.	Prof. Talat Ahmed, FNA, FNASc, FASc Vice Chancellor, University of Kashmir	iv.	Prof. Vinayshil Gautam, Ph. D. FRAS (London) (founder Director, IIM-K; 1 st Head, Management Department, IIT-D) Chairman, D.K. International Foundation
v.	Prof. R.P. Tandon, Department of Physics & Astrophysics, University of Delhi, Delhi.	vi.	Shri Arun Kumar Mehta, IAS Financial Commissioner to Government, Finance Department, (Financial Advisor Universities)
vii.	Sh. Talat Parvez Rhoella, KAS Commissioner Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department	viii.	Shri M. Raju, IAS Secretary to Govt. Planning and Development & Monitoring Department.
ix.	Prof. Vibhakar Mansotra, Dean, Faculty of Mathematical Sciences, University of Jammu	x.	Prof. Renu Nanda Dean, Faculty of Education, University of Jammu
xi.	Prof. Rakesh Jasrotia, President, College Teachers' Association (CTA), Jammu Wing	xii.	Prof. Subash Sharma, Principal, Govt. Degree College Udhampur(Boys)
xiii.	Prof. Neetu Andotra, Registrar.		

Shri Nitishwar Kumar, IAS, Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Lt. Governor, participated in the meeting.

2. **Record of discussions held and decisions taken is as under:**

Initiating the proceedings, Chancellor welcomed all members in the meeting of the Council.

i/ **The Vice Chancellor made a power point presentation on the recent initiatives of the University concerning the following:**

- Accreditation & Ranking
 - National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF)-2020
 - National Board of Accreditation (NBA)
- RUSA-II
- Academics & Research
- Examinations
- Initiatives in e-governance
- Infrastructural Development
- Academic, Cultural and Sporting Events
- Activities under COVID-19 (Lockdown Period)
- Faculty Achievements
- Student Feedback on Faculty
- Student Placements
- Career Counselling
- Coaching and Remedial Classes

During the presentation the Vice Chancellor highlighted the following major achievements of the University:

- RUSA-I, ₹ 20 crores were sanctioned in 2015
- RUSA-II ₹ 100 crores were sanctioned during 2018-19 along with 9 other Universities of the Country
- NAAC grade A+ (3.51), Conferment of Category-I University status with full autonomy by the UGC; Performance in RUSA-I was very good.

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- The Business School has been granted accreditation (2019-2022) for its flagship MBA program by the prestigious National Board of Accreditation, (NBA) and All India Council for Technical Education(AICTE).
- School of Biotechnology, Ranked A by Evaluation conducted by Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India: Being one amongst top 10 Departments of the Country; Selected for further funding by DBT for 5 years (2020-25).
- Recognition by Department of Science and Technology (DST), Govt. of India Promotion of Research & Scientific Excellence Programme (PURSE I and II) Phase I: ₹ 9.00 Crore; Phase II: ₹ 16.75 Crore
- UGC – Special Assistance Programme (SAP) awarded to Department of Botany, Education, Environmental Sciences
- Department of Science and Technology (DST) – Fund for improvement of Science and Technology (FIST) awarded to Department of Biotechnology, Zoology, Geography
- Ongoing Research projects: 42; grants allocated 37 crores
- Established a Section 8 company under the Companies Act, 2013, named as University of Jammu Special Purpose Vehicle Foundation.
- Sanction of Atal Community Innovation Centre by Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog.

The Vice Chancellor also apprised the Council about the following efforts made by the University during Covid-19 lockdown period:

- Creation of Quarantine /Covid-19 Wellness Centres at offsite campuses of the University at Baderwah and Kathua handed over to the government :
 - 460 beds facility at Kathua Campus
 - 100 beds facility at Baderwah Campus
 - Real Time Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) machine; High Speed Refrigerated Centrifuge
 - Contribution of one day salary by the teaching and non-teaching employees
 - About 10,000 NSS volunteers of the University and its affiliated colleges, contributed actively in the fight against the pandemic
 - Adoption of a revised Academic Calendar
 - Faculty engaged in online classes
 - Submission of thesis, holding of viva voce of M.Phil and Ph.D scholars online

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- Remote access to e-resources; more than 1000 on-line journals; thousands e-books, video lectures
- Online platform for examination related issues; issuance of degrees and certificates
- Online admissions

The Vice Chancellor further apprised the University Council about future action plan for setting of following Centres:

1. Research Cluster having following Centres:

1. Data Science and Artificial Intelligence Centre
2. Discovery Genomics Centre
3. Centre for Nanotechnology and Material Science
4. Centre for Virology
5. Plant and Microbial Genetic Resources Centre
6. Centre for Climate Change and Sustainable Development
7. Centre for Global Corporate Governance in Society

2. Media Centre having following components:

1. Digital Lab
2. Oral History Cell
3. Community Radio
4. E-content Development

The council appreciated the efforts of the University for having taken quantum jump in NIRF ranking from 74 to 52 and congratulated the Vice Chancellor and his University colleagues for the improvement in the ranking.

- ii/ The Chancellor while chairing the maiden 86th University Council meeting of the University of Jammu asked both the Vice Chancellors of Jammu University and Kashmir University to put added efforts in tandem for promoting excellence in teaching, research, academics and extension and outreach activities. He advised to boost the academic research by uplifting the basic necessary work environment, updating e-learning and other teaching-learning tools and by providing the students with best educational resources and platforms, besides upgrading the infrastructural facilities in the Universities.
- iii/ The Chancellor stressed for conducting a comprehensive assessment of University's research activities for outlining its role in the welfare of civil society at large. He also emphasised for promotion of research outcomes aimed in solving local and regional problems of U.T of J&K and encouraging research scholars for the same.

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- iv/ The Chancellor stressed that literary work in two regional languages – Dogri in the University of Jammu and Kashmiri in the University of Kashmir be encouraged by setting up of Centres of Excellence in two respective Universities. The Chancellor directed that translation of existing work in the other languages of the country be also initiated for the promotion of culture, tradition and heritage of U.T of J&K at National and International level. He also urged that both the Universities should explore the possibilities to work on the other local languages of U.T of J&K such as Pahari, Gojari etc. for the promotion of cultural and multi-linguistic heritage of the J&K.

Underlining the importance of overall development of student community, the Chancellor advised for increased participation of students in co-curricular activities like NSS, NCC, sports, music etc., and students be encouraged to participate in social activities.

- v/ The Chancellor observed that the best teaching and learning methods should be adopted along with regular capacity building and orientation of teaching faculties of the University. He laid stress on developing a curriculum based on student's feedback by counting it as a globally accepted practice which lend a different perspective to the existing pedagogy.
- vi/ While discussing the issue of reservation, the Chancellor directed that modalities for extending the benefits of reservation policy in all the Universities across the U.T of J&K be worked out and finalised in mission mode.
- vii/ The Chancellor urged for the establishment of research and incubation centres in the Universities and underscored that higher education institutions without them are incomplete.
- viii/ The Chancellor hailed the New Education Policy (NEP) and said it will empower the youth towards nation-building. He stressed that under this policy critical thinking shall be encouraged in addition to development of skills and hands-on-learning. He further stressed that special focus be given to accessibility, equality, quality, affordability and accountability in education sector.
- ix/ While convening the meeting, the Chancellor directed that the academic and administrative matters be dealt in academic council and University Syndicate, respectively and only policy decision matters should be presented in the University council in future.
- x/ Arising out of the discussion, it was brought to the kind notice of Hon'ble Chancellor that there is a long pending issue of enhancement of retirement age of Teaching faculty of the Universities of the UT of J&K from present 62 years to 65 years as per UGC Regulations. The Hon'ble Chancellor directed that a committee under the chairmanship of Advisor to Hon'ble Lt. Governor shall examine the whole issue and submit its recommendations for the approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor.

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3. Thereafter, the agenda items were taken up by the Registrar and the decisions recorded are hereunder:

ITEM NO. 86.01	
	<p>Considered the minutes of the 85th meeting of the University Council held on 20.04.2019.</p> <p>University Council confirmed the minutes of the 85th meeting of the University Council held on 20.04.2019.</p>
ITEM NO. 86.02	
	<p>Considered the action taken on the Introductory remarks and the Resolutions passed in the 85th meeting of the University Council held on 20.04.2019.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the action taken on the Introductory remarks and the Resolutions passed in the 85th meeting of the University Council held on 20.04.2019, be placed on record.</p>
ITEM NO. 86.03	
	<p>Considered the action taken by the Chancellor in having sanctioned extension in deputation in favour of Prof. Anju Bhasin, Department of Physics, University of Jammu to serve as the Vice-Chancellor, Cluster University of Jammu and Prof. Neelu Rohmetra, The Business School, University of Jammu to serve as Director, Indian Institute of Management, Sirmaur, Himachal Pradesh for a period of one year.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the action taken by the Chancellor in having sanctioned extension in deputation in favour of Prof. Anju Bhasin, Department of Physics, University of Jammu to serve as the Vice-Chancellor, Cluster University of Jammu and Prof. Neelu Rohmetra, The Business School, University of Jammu to serve as Director, Indian Institute of Management, Sirmaur, Himachal Pradesh for a period of one year, be ratified.</p>

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ITEM NO. 86.04

Considered the matter regarding re-employment of Dr. Geeta Sumbali, Prof.(Retd.), Department of Botany against vacant post of Professor in the Department of Botany, for a period of two (2) years or till the respective position of Professor is filled up, whichever is earlier.

RESOLVED that consequent upon the approval of the Chancellor in the matter regarding re-employment of Dr. Geeta Sumbali, Prof.(Retd.), Department of Botany against vacant post of Professor in the Department of Botany, for a period of two (2) years or till the respective position of Professor is filled up, whichever is earlier, **be ratified.**

ITEM NO. 86.05

Considered the matter regarding re-employment of Dr. Parmeshwari Sharma, Prof.(Retd.), Department of Hindi against vacant post of Professor in the Department of Hindi, for a period of two (2) years or till the respective position of Professor is filled up, whichever is earlier.

RESOLVED that consequent upon the approval of the Chancellor in the matter regarding re-employment of Dr. Parmeshwari Sharma, Prof.(Retd.), Department of Hindi against vacant post of Professor in the Department of Hindi, for a period of two (2) years or till the respective position of Professor is filled up, whichever is earlier, **be ratified.**

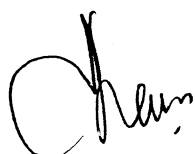
ITEM NO. 86.06

Considered the matter regarding re-employment of Dr. Ramnika Jalali, Prof.(Retd.), Department of Sanskrit against vacant post of Professor in the Department of Sanskrit, for a period of one (1) year or till the post is filled up or till Dr. Ramnika Jalali attains the age of 65 years, whichever is earlier.

RESOLVED that consequent upon the approval of the Chancellor in the matter regarding re-employment of Dr. Ramnika Jalali, Prof.(Retd.), Department of Sanskrit against vacant post of Professor in the Department of Sanskrit, for a period of one (1) year or till the post is filled up or till Dr. Ramnika Jalali attains the age of 65 years, whichever is earlier, **be ratified.**

ITEM NO. 86.07

Considered the action taken by the Hon'ble Chancellor in having approved the promotion of faculty to the post of Professor/Associate Professor in the pay band of Rs. 37400-67000 + AGP Rs. 10000 (revised to 144200-218200) and Rs. 37400-67000 + AGP Rs. 9000 (revised to 131400-217100) respectively under the Career Advancement Scheme of the University Grants Commission



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Regulations, 2010 and amendments made from time to time.

S. No	Name of the teacher	Department	Date of approval of Hon'ble Chancellor	Date of joining	Joined as
1	Dr. Sanjana Kaul (Associate Professor)	School of Biotechnology	12.05.2020	13.05.2020	Professor
2	Dr. Bijender Kumar Bajaj (Associate Professor)	School of Biotechnology	12.05.2020	13.05.2020	Professor
3	Dr. Aroon Sharma (Associate Professor)	Economics	12.05.2020	13.05.2020	Professor
4	Dr. Samridhi Arora (Associate Professor)	Home Science	12.05.2020	13.05.2020	Professor
5	Dr. Virender Koundal (Assistant Professor)	Economics	12.05.2020	13.05.2020	Associate Professor
6	Dr. Savita Nayyar (Assistant Professor)	Law	12.05.2020	13.05.2020	Associate Professor
7	Dr. Piyush Malaviya (Associate Professor)	Environmental Sciences	01.06.2020	02.06.2020	Professor
8	Dr. Satinder Kumar (Associate Professor)	Law	01.06.2020	02.06.2020	Professor
9	Dr. Seema Nargotra (Assistant Professor)	Law	01.06.2020	02.06.2020	Associate Professor
10	Dr. Manju Jamwal (Associate Professor)	law	01.06.2020	03.06.2020	Professor

RESOLVED that the action taken by the Hon'ble Chancellor in having approved the promotion of following faculty to the post of Professor/Associate Professor in the pay band of Rs. 37400-67000 + AGP Rs. 10000 (revised to 144200-218200) and Rs. 37400-67000 + AGP Rs. 9000 (revised to 131400-217100) respectively under the Career Advancement Scheme of the University Grants Commission Regulations, 2010 and amendments made from time to time, **be ratified.**

ITEM NO. 86.08

Considered the matter regarding re-employment of Dr. Jigar Mohammed, Prof. (Retd.), Department of History against vacant post of Professor in the Department of History, for a period of One (1) year or till the respective position of Professor is filled up, whichever is earlier.

RESOLVED that consequent upon the approval of the Chancellor in the matter regarding re-employment of Dr. Jigar Mohammed, Prof. (Retd.), Department of History against vacant post of Professor in the Department of History, for a period of One (1) year or till the respective position of Professor is filled up, whichever is earlier, **be ratified.**

ITEM NO. 86.09

Considered the action taken by the Hon'ble Chancellor in having sanctioned extension in deputation in favour of Dr. Jatinder Khajuria, Joint Registrar, University of Jammu, Jammu as the Registrar, Cluster University of Jammu for a period of one (01) year.

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