

FORTIETH MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE

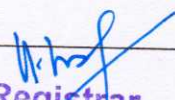


APPROVED MINUTES

DATE : 28th AUGUST 2017
TIME : 11.00 A.M
VENUE : III FLOOR, SYNDICATE HALL
ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING
TNOU, CHENNAI - 15.

TAMIL NADU OPEN UNIVERSITY

577, ANNA SALAI, SAIDAPET, CHENNAI - 600015


Registrar
Tamil Nadu Open University
No.577, Anna Salai,
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APPROVED MINUTES OF THE 40th MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 28th AUGUST 2017

Members Present:

1	Dr. M. Bhaskaran Vice-Chancellor Tamil Nadu Open University Chennai - 600 015.	Chairman
2.	Thiru Sunil Paliwal, IAS., Principal Secretary to Government Higher Education Department Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.	Member
3.	Dr. G. Kalaichelvan Director (PG Admission) VIT University Brammapuram Vellore - 632 104.	Member
4.	Mr. L. Shawnawazkhan Director, Centre for Culture and Media Institutions HC-167, Phase I, Annanagar, Tiruchirapalli-620 026.	Member
5.	Mr. K. Rajalingam, Educationalist, Residential Address: L-114, Police Colony Anna Nagar Post, Trichy-620 026	Member
6.	Thiru. M. Akbar Khan Founder Member, MMHS School & MEASI Kilakarai Res:35-36, Baaz Avenue 621, ECR, Palavakkam Chennai - 600 041.	Member

7.	Dr. S. Balasubramanian Professor & Head, School of Tamil & Cultural Studies Tamil Nadu Open University Chennai - 600 015.	Member
8.	Dr. S. Vijayan Registrar Tamil Nadu Open University Chennai - 600 015.	Member- Secretary

The Vice-Chancellor and Chairman of the Syndicate welcomed the members to the fortieth Meeting of the Syndicate and also briefed the progress and achievements made in TNOU with regard to academic and other developmental activities since March 2016. After the welcome address, the Syndicate proceeded with the discussion on the agenda items.

ITEM NO. 40.01

CONSIDERED THE MINUTES OF THE 39th MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 19th APRIL 2017 ; AND

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the 39th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 19th April 2017, as given in Annexure - I to the Agenda Notes are confirmed. With regard to Item No. 38.07, it was noted that 17-B charges have been framed against Mr. R. Vasudevan, Deputy Registrar and accordingly action will be initiated.

ITEM NO. 40.02

CONSIDERED THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE DECISIONS OF THE 39th MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 19-04-2017; AND

RESOLVED THAT the action taken report with regard to the 39th Meeting of the Syndicate held on 19th April 2017, be recorded and accepted.

ITEM NO. 40.03

CONSIDERED THE MINUTES OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF THE NON-TEACHING POSITIONS INCLUDING LIBRARIAN IN THE UNIVERSITY HELD ON 21-08-2017; AND

RESOLVED THAT the Selection Committee held on 21st August 2017 for the following positions be approved as follows:

S.No.	Position	Name of the Selected person	Community as per Roaster
1	Controller of Examinations (1)	Dr. K. M. Subramaniam	GT
2	Librarian (1)	None Found Suitable	GT
3	Junior Assistant (1)	M. Muthukumar	SC

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Vice-Chancellor be authorized to issue appointment orders to the above individuals immediately.

It is FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the incumbent selected for the post of COE in Sl.No. 1, will be on probation for a period of one year. Based on the performance and competency of the individual in the SR & ED and enhancement of efficacy of the over all output in the Division, his period of extension be considered for the remaining two years. The Vice-Chancellor be authorized to issue re-advertisement for the post of Librarian (GT-1) in due course and advertisement notice be circulated to all institutions for wider publicity.

ITEM NO. 40.04

CONSIDERED THE PROPOSAL TO ADOPT THE GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES FOR OFFERING B.Ed., GENERAL AND B.Ed., SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMMES OFFERED BY THE UNIVERSITY; AND

RESOLVED THAT the adoption of the Government Guidelines for offering B.Ed., General and B.Ed., Special Education Programmes in line with the G.O. (1D) No. 158, Higher Education (G1) Department, Dated : 11-05-2017 along with the Annexure-III to the Agenda Notes, with regard to the Guidelines for Admission to B.Ed., Degree Programme duration of 2 years (2017-2019), be approved.

ITEM NO. 40.05

CONSIDERED CHANGE IN THE CHAIRMAN OF BOARDS OF STUDIES FOR SCHOOL OF POLITICS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNIVERSITY AND SCHOOL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION AND REHABILITATION &; AND

RESOLVED THAT Dr. K. Murugan, Prof. & Head, School of Humanities as Chairman, BOS, School of Politics and Public Administration and Dr. K.S. Premila, Associate Prof. & Head, School of Education as Chairperson, BOS, School of Special Education and Rehabilitation, be approved.

ITEM NO. 40.06

CONSIDERED AND RATIFIED THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE FINANCE OFFICER IN TNOU; AND

RESOLVED THAT Mrs. K. Gomathi, Under Secretary to Government, Finance Department on other duty as Chief Accounts Officer, Directorate of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services, Chennai, on promotion as Deputy Secretary to Government posted as Finance Officer, Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai on foreign service terms and conditions issued in G.O. Ms. No. 111,

Personnel and Administrative Reforms (FR II) Department, Dated: 02-05-1994
in the existing vacancy, be approved and ratified.

ITEM NO. 40.07

CONSIDERED THE EXTENSION PERIOD OF LIEN FOR ONE YEAR GIVEN TO Dr. E. RAVI, PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND TOURISM STUDIES OF TNOU FROM THE ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY; AND

RESOLVED THAT the probation declaration process be undertaken and based on the performance and merit, the Vice - Chancellor be authorized to take appropriate decision.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the delay in filing of Counter Petition against the W.P., on this matter be expedited and warning be issued to the staff concerned. Timely action be initiated on legal matters in future.

ITEM NO. 40.08

CONSIDERED THE EXTENSION PERIOD OF LIEN FOR ONE YEAR GIVEN TO Dr. S. PRABAKARAN, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF POLITICS & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION OF TNOU FROM THE ANNAMALAI UNIVERSITY; AND

RESOLVED THAT the probation declaration process be undertaken and based on the performance and merit, the Vice - Chancellor be authorized to take appropriate decision.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the delay in filing of Counter Petition against the W.P., on this matter be expedited and warning be issued to the staff concerned. Timely action be initiated on legal matters in future.

ITEM NO. 40.09

CONSIDERED THE DEPUTATION PERIOD OF THIRU K. PALANI, PERSONAL ASSISTANT OF TNOU WORKED AS ASSISTANT REGISTRAR IN INDIAN MARITIME UNIVERSITY; AND

RESOLVED THAT the deputation of Mr. K. Palani, Personal Assistant, TNOU as Assistant Registrar to Indian Maritime University for the period of 3 years, 11 months and 9 days since 22-06-2012 to 31-05-2016 be considered and ratified.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, these kinds of lapses should not occur again and also the staff dealing with establishment matters should be warned severely for the lapses in taking timely action.

ITEM NO. 40.10

CONSIDERED THE PROMOTION ORDERS GIVEN TO Dr. Ra. RAMESH, DEPUTY REGISTRAR FROM THE CADRE OF ASSISTANT REGISTRAR; AND

RESOLVED THAT the promotion orders given to Dr. Ra. Ramesh as Deputy Registrar from the cadre of Assistant Registrar, be ratified.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the procedures for promotions should be strictly followed and only after obtaining approval from the Syndicate the promotion orders should be served to the individuals concerned. Belated reporting of this kind shall be avoided in future.

ITEM NO. 40.11

CONSIDERED THE PROMOTION ORDERS GIVEN TO Mr. R. VASUDEVAN, DEPUTY REGISTRAR FROM THE CADRE OF ASSISTANT REGISTRAR; AND

RESOLVED THAT the promotion orders given to Mr. R. Vasudevan as Deputy Registrar from the cadre of Assistant Registrar, be ratified.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the procedures for promotions should be strictly followed and only after obtaining approval from the Syndicate the promotion orders should be served to the individuals concerned. Belated reporting of this kind shall be avoided in future.

ITEM NO. 40.12

CONSIDERED THE CREATION OF 3 POSTS OF DIRECTORS, ONE EACH FOR ACADEMIC, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH WITHOUT ANY ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS; AND

RESOLVED THAT the creation of 3 posts of Directors, one each for Academic, one for Planning & Development and one for Research for a period of 3 years, without additional financial commitments and other entitlements of the University on a monthly honorarium of Rs. 2,000 besides their sanctioned pay be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, in case of extension for a further period to the same individual be considered subject to the maximum period of 3 years, based on annual performance.

ITEM NO. 40.13

CONSIDERED ADOPTION OF UNIFORM SHARING PATTERN BETWEEN TAMIL NADU OPEN UNIVERSITY AND ALL TYPES OF STUDY CENTRES OF TNOU; AND

RESOLEVED THAT the common sharing pattern of the Study Centres recommended by the Syndicate Sub-Committee, as given in Annexure - VII to the Agenda Notes, be approved.

ITEM NO. 40.14

CONSIDERED THE PANEL OF SUBJECT EXPERTS TO BE NOMINATED TO THE SELECTION COMMITTEE BEING CONSTITUTED FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF THE TEACHING STAFF IN THE UNIVERSITY; AND

RESOLVED THAT the proposal to authorize the Vice-Chancellor for nomination of three experts, at the time of recruitment of Teaching Staff members in the respective subjects, be approved.

ITEM NO. 40.15

CONSIDERED THE OPERATIONALIZATION OF NEW ZONAL CENTRE AT TIRUNELVELI AS PER THE ANNOUNCEMENT MADE IN THE ASSEMBLY 2017-2018 BY THE HON'BLE MINISTER FOR HIGHER EDUCATION; AND

RESOLVED THAT the establishment of the new Zonal Centre at the Tirunelveli District and subsequent work in progress at the Zonal Centres, be ratified.

ITEM NO. 40.16

CONSIDERED THE PROPOSAL FOR INTRODUCTION OF 20% OF THE TOTAL COURSES THROUGH ONLINE; AND

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for introduction of 20 percent of the total Courses of each Programme through online stream, in accordance with the UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) Regulation, 2016, New Delhi, No. F.1-100/2016(MOOCs/e-content) the 19th July, 2016, be approved.

ITEM NO. 40.17

CONSIDERED PROPOSAL FOR THE RECOGNITION OF THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED STUDY CENTRES AND RENEWAL OF STUDY CENTRES OF TAMIL NADU OPEN UNIVERSITY; AND

RESOLVED THAT the establishment of new Study Centres and Renewal of erstwhile Study Centres, as given in the Annexure - VIII to the Agenda Notes, be ratified.

ITEM NO. 40.18

CONSIDERED THE PROPOSAL FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES; AND

RESOLVED THAT the constitution of various Syndicate Sub-Committees, be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, as and when the vacancies arise in any of the Sub-Committees the suitable nomination be brought to the Syndicate for approval.

ITEM NO. 40.19

CONSIDERED THE PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A DIGITAL DEPOSITORY OF ACADEMIC AWARDS IN NATIONAL ACADEMIC DEPOSITORY (NAD) ; AND

RESOLVED THAT the engagement of NDML as per the guidelines of UGC/ MHRD, Government of India for digitalizing the various academic awards (Certificates of Degrees, Diplomas, Mark Sheets etc.,) be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the signing of MoU between TNOU and NDML for implementing the digitalization of academic awards, be approved.

ITEM NO. 40.20

CONSIDERED THE ADOPTION OF THE GUIDELINES WITH RESPECT TO SEARCH COMMITTEES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR IN UNIVERSITIES ISSUED BY THE GOVERNOR'S SECRETARIAT; AND

RESOLVED THAT the proposal to adopt the communication issued by the Governor's Secretariat vide letter No. 1607/U2/2017, Dated: 19-06-2017 on certain guidelines with respect to Search Committee during the process of the recommending the panel for the post of Vice-Chancellor, be approved.

ITEM NO. 40.21

CONSIDERED THE PANEL OF EXPERTS TO BE NOMINATED TO THE SELECTION COMMITTEE BEING CONSTITUTED FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF THE NON-TEACHING STAFF IN THE UNIVERSITY; AND

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for the composition of the Selection Committee for the Non-Teaching staff members Group A, B, C & D, in the format

prescribed below at the time of recruitment of Non-Teaching Staff members, be approved.

For Group A, B & C:

- 1) TNOU Vice-Chancellor : Chairman
- 2) One Head of the Dept./Professor of TNOU nominated by the Vice-Chancellor : Member (1)
- 3) Two Experts nominated by the Vice-Chancellor from other Universities/ Government/Institutions : Members (2)
- 4) Nominee representing SC/ST/ Women : Member (1)

For Group D:

- 1) TNOU, Registrar : Chairman
- 2) One Head of the Dept./Professor of TNOU nominated by the Vice-Chancellor : Member (1)
- 3) One Expert nominated by the Vice-Chancellor from other Universities/ Government : Member (1)
- 4) Nominee representing SC/ST/ Women : Member (1)

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Vice-Chancellor be authorized to constitute a Selection Committee in the above prescribed format as and when the Selection Committee takes place.

ITEM NO. 40.22

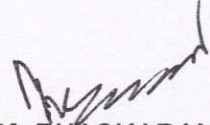
CONSIDERED THE COST MODEL AND SHARING PATTERN TO CONDUCT THE B.Ed., GENERAL / B.Ed., SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMMES; AND


RESOLVED THAT the recommendations of the Committee with respect to sharing pattern of B.Ed General and B.Ed Special Education Programmes of TNOU as given in the Annexure - XI to the Agenda Notes, be approved.

ITEM NO. 40.23

CONSIDERED THE PERMANENT AGENDA NOTES FOR THE 40th SYNDICATE WITH REFERENCE TO THE GOVT. LETTER. No. 10559/K2/2017-1, HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, DATED : 19-06-2017; AND

RESOLVED THAT the permanent agenda notes of the TNOU in the format prescribed with respect to Govt. Letter No. 10599/K2/2017-1, Higher Education Department, Dated : 19-06-2017, be noted.


(Dr. M. BHASKARAN)
VICE-CHANCELLOR


(Dr. S. VIJAYAN)
REGISTRAR

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Date : 28-08-2017