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# FIFTY FIRST MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE



## MINUTES

DATE : 28.05.2020


TIME : 12:00 noon

VENUE : Chamber of the Principal Secretary to Government  
Higher Education Department, VI Floor  
Secretariat, Chennai - 9

### TAMIL NADU OPEN UNIVERSITY

(A State Open University Established by Government of Tamil Nadu, Recognized by UGC & DEB,  
Member in Asian Association of Open Universities & Association of Commonwealth Universities)

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## MINUTES OF THE 51<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 28<sup>th</sup> May 2020

### Members Present:

1	Prof.K.Parthasarathy Vice-Chancellor Tamil Nadu Open University Chennai - 600 015.	Chairman
2.	Selvi . Apoorva, IAS., Principal Secretary to Government Higher Education Department Secretariat, Chennai 600 009.	Member
3.	Dr. S. Narayana Kalkura Director and Professor, Crystal Growth Centre, (UGC - National Facility Centre), Anna University, Chennai - 600 025.	Member
4.	Dr.(Smt.) Y. Sarada Professor, Department of Mathematics, CEG Campus, Anna University Chennai - 600 025.	Member
5.	Dr. S. Subramanian Professor and Director School of Management Studies, Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai - 600 015.	Member
6.	Dr.N.Dhanalakshmi Associate Professor School of History and Tourism Studies Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai - 15.	Member
7.	Dr.A. Muthumanickam (Former Dean for Arts, Humanities and Languages and Professor & Head, Department of Education, Directorate of Distance Education, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai), S92 Venkatesa Perumal 1 <sup>st</sup> Street, 5, Sree Madava Apartments, Madipakkam, Chennai - 600 091.	Member

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8.	<b>Dr.V.Anandamoorthy</b> (Former Head, Dept. of Materials, Media & Library, State Resource Centre under MHRD) 2/310 C, 5th Street, Kandasamy Nagar Palavakkam, Chennai - 600 041.	Member
9.	<b>Dr. P.Thiyagarajan</b> Registrar (FAC), Tamil Nadu Open University Chennai - 600 015.	Ex-Officio Secretary

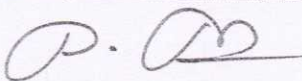
(Dr.Beela Rajesh, IAS., Mr.C.Gopi Ravikumar and Dr.T.Sampath Kumar - Leave of absence)

The Chairman of the Syndicate welcomed the Members to the Fifty First Meeting of the Syndicate. The Chairman introduced the new Members viz. Dr.A.Muthumanickam, Dr.V.Anandamoorthy and Dr.S.Subramanian to the Syndicate. Further, the Chairman highlighted the important programmes/activities organized by the TNOU since last meeting (07.11.2019 to 27.05.2020) to the Members of the Syndicate in the form of a separate report. The Syndicate recorded its appreciation for the systematic execution of TNOU Programmes/activities for the betterment of the Society.

The Syndicate records that the fruitful services rendered to TNOU, by the following former Members, for its continuous growth, in the Syndicate, as Members.

1. **Thiru Mangatram Sharma, IAS.,**  
Principal Secretary to Government  
Higher Education Department  
Secretariat, Chennai - 600 009.
2. **Dr.S.Balasubramanian**  
Professor & Director, School of Tamil and Cultural Studies  
TNOU, Chennai - 600 015.

The following are resolutions arrived by the Syndicate against Agenda Items.





**ITEM NO. 2020-51.01**

**TO INFORM THE PERMANENT AGENDA NOTES FOR THE 51<sup>st</sup> MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE WITH REFERENCE TO THE GOVT. LETTER. No. 10559/K2/2017-1, HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, DATED : 19-06-2017**

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, as given in the *Annexure-I Page Nos. 60 to 74* to the Agenda Notes, BE NOTED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.02**

**TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE 50<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 06.11.2019**

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the 50<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019, as given in *Annexure-II Page Nos.75 to 85* to the Agenda Notes as well as the minutes of the Syndicate on circulation dated 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020, as given in *Annexure-II A Page Nos.. 86 to 96* to the Agenda Notes BE CONFIRMED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.03**

**TO CONSIDER THE ACTION TAKEN REPORT OF THE 50<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE SYNDICATE HELD ON 06.11.2019**

RESOLVED THAT the Action Taken Report of the 50<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Syndicate held on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019 as well as the minutes of the Syndicate on circulation dated 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 BE CONFIRMED.

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*[Signature]*



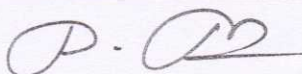
ITEM NO.2020-51.04

**TO CONSIDER THE ISSUE PERTAINING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF REGISTRAR OF TAMIL NADU OPEN UNIVERSITY**

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Syndicate on Circulation dated 22.01.2020 and its action taken report **BE CONFIRMED**, as detailed in Annexure of the Minutes.

FURTHER RESOLVED that Dr.K.Rathnakumar, Professor & Head, Department of Fish Process Engineering, College of Fisheries Engineering, Nagapattinam residing at No.2, Abirami Amman North Street, T.R.Pattinam, Karaikal - 609 606 ranked second in the Selection of Registrar and approved by the Registrar's Selection Committee, based on the qualifications, experiences and the performances in the interview with special reference to Open Distance Learning & Online Learning and Academic & Administration aspects, **BE CONSIDERED AND APPROVED** for appointment of the Registrar of the Tamil Nadu Open University for a period of three years with pay protection be approved, with a condition, as this issue is a one time consideration and it should not be a precedent in Tamil Nadu Open University hereafter/in future with the following reasons:

- a) Dr.M.V.Sudhakaran, Professor, School of Social Sciences, TNOU not accepted the appointment of the post of Registrar citing his unforeseen family conditions on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020 through his letter addressed to the Vice-Chancellor of the University.
- b) Dr. P. Thiyagarajan., Professor, School of Continuing Education has been looking after the Registrar post on Full Additional Charge from 27.09.2018 to till date. He has represented orally in few times and by writing to the Vice-Chancellor for relieving him from the post of Registrar (FAC). It is also for information that, Dr. P. Thiyagarajan, is holding the following three posts namely,



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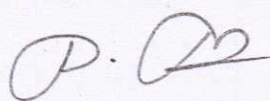


- Chairman, Faculty of Extension Education
- Director, School of Continuing Education
- Director i/c., Centre for Internal Quality Assessment (CIQA)

Which involves extensive academic time bound assignments like., Introduction of new programmes, Revision of new syllabi, Development of Constituent Community Colleges etc., all of which are highly imperative for NAAC Accreditation process. Keeping in view of the various kinds of bountiful on hand and on his own representation, he has to be replaced as Registrar (FAC) by appointing a regular Registrar.

- c) The role of the full pledged regular Registrar is very much essential in the crucial juncture of applying and obtaining NAAC Accreditation to the University, since the UGC has also been insisting to obtain A+ Grade with 3.26 points in 4 point scale) for offering the UG, PG programmes through ODL mode by TNOU from 2020-2021 academic year onwards, besides attending regular assignments in a war footing way.
- d) It is noted that the University had already advertised the Registrar's post in two occasions (11.01.2018 & 18.07.2018), but the University is not in a position to select a suitable candidate for the appointment of the regular Registrar for the University. This is third time the Syndicate is involved in appointing a regular Registrar, since the regular Registrar of the University completed his three years tenure on 02.03.2018 itself. In between Dr. K.M. Subramaniam, Controller of Examinations, had served as Registrar in-charge from 03.03.2018 to 26.09.2018. There is no regular Registrar in the University for the past 2 years and 3 months.
- e) It is also noted that in order to save time, curtailing cost of re-selection process, prevailing Corona Covid-19 pandemic issues, getting NAAC Accreditation, a full time Registrar has to be appointed.

**FURTHER, RESOLVED** that the Vice-Chancellor be authorised to issue orders of appointment to the above candidate forthwith, who is considered and approved by the Syndicate.





**ITEM NO.2020-51.05**

**TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENTS OF CHAIRMAN OF VARIOUS BOARDS OF STUDIES OF THE SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS RE-CONSTITUTED FOR REVAMPING CURRICULUM OF PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN TNOU**

RESOLVED THAT the appointments of Chairman of various Boards of Studies of the Schools and Departments re-constituted for revamping curriculum of Programmes offered in TNOU, as detailed in the *Annexure III Page Nos. 97 to 101* to the Agenda Notes, BE RATIFIED.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT a separate Compiled Report on re-constituted Board of Studies Chairman and Members of the respective Board of Studies as Annexure - III a BE NOTED.

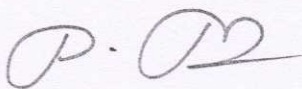
**ITEM NO. 2020-51.06**

**TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL OBTAINED THROUGH CIRCULATION DATED: 23.12.2019 OF SCHOOL OF EDUCATION WITH RESPECT TO REVISION OF THE SELF LEARNING MATERIALS OF B.Ed., PROGRAMME**

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Academic Council obtained through Circulation Dated 03.01.2020 of School of Education with respect to revision of Self Learning Materials of B.Ed., Programme, BE APPROVED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.07**

**TO CONSIDER THE EXTENSION OF THIRD YEAR DEPUTATION SERVICE TO THIRU A.V. SAKTIKRISHNA RAJ, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, LOCAL FUND AUDIT DEPARTMENT AS ASSISTANT REGISTRAR (FINANCE) IN TNOU GIVEN BY THE DIRECTOR LOCAL FUND AUDIT, CHENNAI WITHOUT CONCURRENCE FROM THE UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION**



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RESOLVED THAT extension of third year deputation of service to Thiru A.V.Saktikrishna Raj, Assistant Director, Local Fund Audit Department as Assistant Registrar (Finance) in TNOU i.e. for 02.03.2020 to 01.03.2021, given by the Director, Local Fund Audit Department, without concurrence from the University Administration, BE REPATRIATED to his parent department, Local Fund Audit Department with effect from 01.06.2020.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.08**

**TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF THE UGC ONLINE REGULATIONS 2018 FOR OFFERING PROGRAMMES THROUGH ONLINE**


RESOLVED THAT the UGC Online Regulations 2018 as detailed in the Annexure V Page Nos. 117 to 126. to the Agenda Notes, for offering Programmes through Online in Tamil Nadu Open University BE ADOPTED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.09**

**TO RATIFY THE GRANT OF RECOGNITION TO NEW LEARNING SUPPORT CENTRES AND DERECOGNTION OF LEARNING SUPPORT CENTRES**

RESOLVED THAT grant of recognition to the Nine new Learning Support Centres and de-recognition of two Learning Support Centres, as detailed below:

SL.NO.	NAME OF THE INSTITUTION	AFFILIATED UNIVERSITY
1.	ARCOT SRI MAHALAKSHMI WOMEN'S COLLEGE	Thiruvallur University, Vellore.
2.	SACRED HEART ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGE	Thiruvallur University, Vellore.
3.	T. MARIAPPAN NADAR MUTHUKANI AMMAL COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE	Manonmaniam Sundarnar University, Tirunelveli.
4.	P.S. MUTHU COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE	Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai.





5.	MERCURY COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE	Thiruvallur University, Vellore.
6.	VIVEKANANDHA COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE FOR WOMEN (AUTONOMOUS)	Periyar University, Salem.
7.	RTG ARTS & SCIENCE COLLEGE	Thiruvallur University, Vellore.
8.	PERI COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE	University of Madras, Chennai.
9.	PANNIKADU VEERAMMAL COLLEGE	Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai.

and; de-recognition of following LSCs

SL.NO.	REGIONAL	NAME OF THE LSC CENTRE	LOCATION
1.	TRICHY	PAVENDAR BHARTHIDASAN COLLEGE AND SCIENCE	PUDUKKOTTAI
2.	COIMBATORE	PARK'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)	TIRUPPUR

BE RATIFIED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.10**

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL OF BSA TRAINING ACADEMY, CHENNAI FOR OFFERING DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES IN COLLABORATION WITH TNOU**

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for having tie up with BSA Training Academy Private Limited, Tambaram, Sanatorium, Chennai - 600 047 for offering following Programme in collaboration with Centre for Entrepreneurship and Skill Development, BE APPROVED.

- Certificate in Manufacturing Engineering

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Vice-Chancellor BE AUTHORIZED to proceed further for having an MoU with M/s.BSA Training Academy, Chennai and be reported in the next Syndicate.

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**ITEM NO. 2020-51.11**

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR SHARING TNOU'S SELF-LEARNING MATERIALS THROUGH THE LOGIN OF 32 DISTRICT LIBRARIES, GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU FOR THE WELFARE OF THE LEARNERS COMMUNITY PURSUING TNOU PROGRAMMES AND FOR THE ASPIRANTS PREPARING FOR THE COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS AT FREE OF COST**

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for sharing TNOU's Self Learning Materials through login of 32 District Libraries, Government of Tamil Nadu for the welfare of the Learners Community pursuing TNOU Programmes and for the aspirants preparing for the Competitive Examinations at free of cost, **BE APPROVED.**

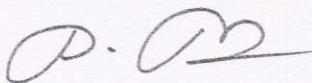
FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Vice-Chancellor **BE AUTHORIZED** to enter an MoU with Directorate of Public Libraries, Chennai for smooth execution and be reported in the next Syndicate.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.12**

**TO CONSIDER THE STATUS REPORT WITH REGARD TO NON-OPERATION OF B.Ed. PROGRAMME OF TNOU AS PER UGC'S DIRECTIONS**

RESOLVED THAT the status report with regard to non-operation of B.Ed., Programme (2018-2019 Batch) of TNOU as per the UGCs directions reported in the Agenda Notes Page Nos.19 to 22 **BE NOTED AND APPROVED.**

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University be ceased offering B.Ed., Programme forthwith for the batch 2018-2019, as the UGC has not granted approval to offer the Programme, since there is no alternate arrangements are possible to shift the students to other Universities and also non-availability of suitable legal remedy based on the Affidavit submitted by the University to





the UGC-DEB to offer the programme, in which it was stated "that the University shall refrain from offering such programmes that are not allowed to be offered through Distance Mode by the respective apex body/ies". Under these circumstances stated above the fee in toto remitted by 306 B.Ed. students be refunded.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.13**

**TO CONSIDER THE CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEE FOR UPDATING THE STATUTES, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS OF TNOU**

RESOLVED THAT the Constitution of Committee for updating the Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations of TNOU BE DEFERRED.

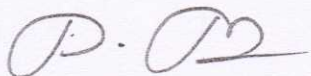
**ITEM NO. 2020-51.14**

**TO CONSIDER THE CONSTITUTION OF VARIOUS SYNDICATE SUB-COMMITTEES FOR PROVIDING GOOD GOVERNANCE IN TNOU**

RESOLVED THAT the constitution of various Syndicate Sub-Committees viz. 1) Staff Welfare and Disciplinary Committee, 2) Purchase Committee, 3) Building Committee and 4) Establishment Committee, for providing good governance in TNOU, BE APPROVED,

**I. Staff Welfare and Disciplinary Committee:**

1. Dr. S. Narayana Kalkura  
Director and Professor, CGC, Anna University, Chennai - 600 025.
2. Dr.V.Anandamoorthy  
(Former Head, Dept. of Materials, Media & Library) SRC  
Palavakkam, Chennai - 600 041.
3. Dr.A. Muthumanickam,  
(Former Dean for Arts, Humanities and Languages  
& Professor & Head, DE, DDE, MKU, Madurai)  
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**II. Purchase Committee:**

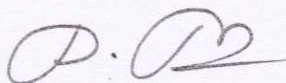
1. **Dr.N.Dhanalakshmi**  
Associate Professor  
School of History and Tourism Studies  
Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai - 600 015.
2. **Dr.A. Muthumanickam, (Member-Syndicate)**  
(Former Dean for Arts, Humanities and Languages  
& Professor & Head, DE, DDE, MKU, Madurai)  
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Madipakkam, Chennai - 600 091.
3. **Dr.(Smt.) Y. Sarada**  
Professor, Department of Mathematics, CEG Campus, Anna University  
Chennai - 600 025.

**III. Building Committee:**

1. **Dr. S. Subramanian**  
Professor and Director  
School of Management Studies,  
Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai - 600 015.
2. **Dr.T.Sampath Kumar**  
Assistant Professor  
School of Education  
Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai - 600 015.
3. **Dr. S. Narayana Kalkura**  
Director and Professor, CGC, Anna University, Chennai - 600 025.

**IV. Establishment Committee:**

1. **Dr.(Smt.) Y. Sarada**  
Professor, Department of Mathematics, CEG Campus, Anna University  
Chennai - 600 025.
2. **Dr. S. Subramanian**  
Professor and Director  
School of Management Studies,  
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3. **Dr.A. Muthumanickam**  
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**ITEM NO. 2020-51.15**

**TO CONSIDER THE DISBURSEMENT OF OBSOLETE STUDY MATERIALS OF TNOU AT DISCOUNTED RATE TO THE PUBLIC**

RESOLVED THAT the disbursement of obsolete study materials of TNOU at 50% discounted rate to the public, BE APPROVED.

**ITEM NO.2020-51.16**

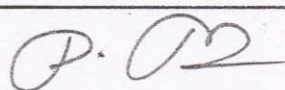
**TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF GUIDELINES OF THE UGC WITH REGARD TO CONDUCT OF INDUCTION PROGRAMMES FOR LEARNERS OF THE UNIVERSITY**

RESOLVED THAT the UGC's Guidelines with regard to conduct of Induction Programmes for Learners of the University, as detailed in the *Annexure VI (Page Nos.127 to 165)*, to the Agenda Notes, BE ADOPTED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.17**

**TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF CENTRE FOR INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE (CIQA) WITH RESPECT TO FULFILLMENT OF ONE OF THE NAAC CRITERION**

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meetings of the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) with respect to fulfillment of one of the NAAC Criterion, as detailed in the *Annexure-VII (Page Nos.167 to 172)*, to the Agenda Notes, BE APPROVED.





**ITEM NO. 2020-51.18**

**TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING AS REGARD TO CREATION OF  
ENDOWMENT LECTURE(S) AND MEDAL(S) IN TNOU**

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting as regard to creation of Endowment  
Lecture(s) and Medal(s) in TNOU, as detailed in *Annexure VIII Page Nos. 173 to  
181* to the Agenda Notes, BE APPROVED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.19**

**TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING AS REGARD TO APPROVAL OF  
THE EXAMINATION MANUAL OF TNOU**

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting with regard to approval of the  
Examination Manual of TNOU as detailed in the *Annexure-IX Page Nos. 182 to 186*  
to the Agenda Notes, BE APPROVED.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Examination Manual of TNOU BE ADOPTED from  
the Academic Year 2020-2021 Term-End Examination onwards.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.20**

**TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED FOR  
THE APPOINTMENT OF PROFESSOR-EMERITUS IN THE UNIVERSITY**

RESOLVED THAT the recommendations of the Committee constituted for the  
appointment of Professor-Emeritus in the University, as detailed in the *Annexure  
IX Page Nos. 187 to 194* to the Agenda Notes, BE DEFERRED



**ITEM NO. 2020-51.21**

**TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE CONSITTTUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF INSTITUTION OF TNOU ANNUAL AWARDS TO THE BEST WRITERS/ORATORS/RESEARCHERS IN THE NAME OF GREAT INDIAN PERSONALITIES**

RESOLVED THAT the recommendations of the Committee constituted for the purpose of institution of TNOU Annual Awards to the Best Writers/Orators/Researchers in the name of best Writers/Orators/Researchers in the name of great Indian Personalities, BE DEFERRED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.22**

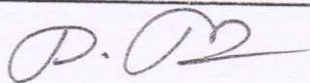
**TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST OF JAIL INMATES, PERSONS WITH DISABILITY, TRANSGENDERS, WIDOWS AND DESTITUES FOR EXEMPTING ALL KINDS OF FEE FOR PURSUING ANY PROGRAMME OF TNOU FROM THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-2021**

RESOLVED THAT the request of Jail Inmates, Persons with Disability, Transgenders widows and destitute for exempting all kinds of fee (excluding Registration and Convocation Fee) pursuing any programme of TNOU from the Academic Year 2020-2021, BE DEFERRED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.23**

**TO REPORT THE MATTER OF EXEMPTION GIVEN BY GREATER CHENNAI CORPORATION FROM LEVYING PROPERTY TAX FOR THE TAMIL NADU OPEN UNIVERSITY BUILDINGS**

RESOLVED THAT the matter of exemption of Rs. 43,02,900/- given by the Greater Chennai Corporation, Chennai from levying property tax for the TNOU Buildings and arrangements to be made for withdrawing the Affidavit filed by





the TNOU in the High Court of Madras (W.P.No.7530 of 2018), BE NOTED AND APPROVED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.24**

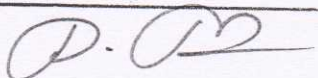
**TO CONSIDER THE PROCUREMENT OF NECESSARY EQUIPMENTS, FURNITURES, FITTINGS, WORKSTATIONS FOR THE ACADEMIC BUILDING, MATERIAL PRODUCTION DISTRIBUTION DIVISION, GUEST HOUSE, VILLUPURAM REGIONAL CENTRE OF TNOU & CONSTITUENT COMMUNITY COLLEGES, RENOVATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING TOWARDS THE FULFILLMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND ACADEMIC RESOURCES IN LINE WITH THE NAAC CRITERIA FOR ITS ACCREDITATION.**

RESOLVED THAT the procurement of necessary equipments, furnitures, fittings, workstations to the tune of Rs.3 Crores from the allocated Budget Estimates 2020-2021 for the Academic Building, Material Production Distribution Division, Guest House, Villupuram Regional Centre of TNOU & Constituent Community Colleges, renovation of Administrative Building towards the fulfillment of infrastructure and academic resources in line with the NAAC Criteria for its accreditation, BE DEFERRED.

**ITEM NO.2020-51.25**

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LEARNER SUPPORT CENTRES AND EXAMINATION CENTRES AT 91 GOVERNMENT ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGES**

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for the establishment of TNOU's Learner Support Centres and Examination Centres at 91 Government Arts and Science Colleges, by utilizing a sum of Rs.50 Lakhs, as non-recurring expenditure as per letter No.F.No.11349/K1/2019-1, Dated: 09.07.2019, BE APPROVED.







ITEM NO.2019-51.26

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR CONDUCT OF COURSES/PROGRAMMES THROUGH CENTRE FOR ONLINE LEARNING (COL) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ONLINE REGULATIONS OF THE UGC**

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for conduct of Courses/Programmes through Centre for Online Learning (COL) in accordance with the Online Regulations of the UGC, in Tamil Nadu Open University, as detailed in the Annexure-XII Page Nos.209 to 216, to the Agenda Notes, by utilizing a sum of Rs.50 Lakhs, as per the Government Lr.No.11348/K1/2019-1, Dated: 09.07.2019, **BE APPROVED**

ITEM NO.2020-51.27

**TO CONSIDER THE NEW SHARING PATTERN OF THE PROGRAMME FEE TO BE FIXED TO THE VARIOUS STUDY CENTES OF THE TNOU AND TO THE e-COMMON SERVICE CENTRES FOR PROVIDING STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

RESOLVED THAT new sharing pattern of the Programme Fee be fixed to the various Study Centres of the TNOU and to the e-Common Service Centres for providing student support services, as detailed below, **BE APPROVED.**

S.No	Categories of Study Centres	Sharing Pattern - for facilitating admission to TNOU programmes		
		I year	II year*	III Year*
1	UG programmes (except B.Ed and B.Ed (Spl))	15%	10%	10%
2	PG programmes	15%	10%	(10% for M.C.A only)
3	PG. Diploma/ Diploma / Certificate/Short-term programmes	15%	-	-



The sharing pattern for Community Colleges (CCs), for offering Vocational Diploma Programmes:

Existing Sharing Pattern		Proposed Sharing Pattern	
TNOU	Community College	TNOU	Community College
40%	60%	35%	65%

For e-Common Service Centres: 15% Share amount for each admission in any type of programme.

ITEM NO.2020-51.28

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR COLLECTION OF FEE FOR CHANGES IN THE STUDY CENTRES IN TERMS OF CO-ORDINATOR, PHONE NUMBER, EMAIL ID AND ADDRESS**

RESOLVED THAT the proposal for collection of fee for changes in the Study Centres in terms of Co-ordinator, Phone Number, e-mail ID and address, BE APPROVED, as detailed below without refundable.

S.No.	Services	Fees (in Rs.)
1	Change of Phone Number and e-Mail	1000/-
2	Change of Study Centre Co-ordinator's Name	1000/-
3	Change of Study Centre's Name	1000/-
4	Change of Postal Address (after physical verification)	5000/-



ITEM NO.2020-51.29

**TO CONSIDER THE STATUS REPORT OF THE EXPERT COMMITTEE CONSTITUTED TO STUDY THE OPERATIONS OF CONSTITUENT COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND COMMUNITY COLEGES AND ESTABLISHING CENTRE FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT**

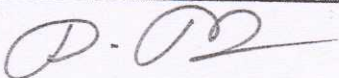
RESOLVED THAT the status report of the Expert Committee constituted to study the operations of Constituent Community Colleges and Community Colleges and Establishing Centre for Skill Development, as described in the separate Booklet as Annexure III A, **BE APPROVED.**

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Guidelines stipulated with respect to Constituent Community Colleges and Community Colleges in the Booklet, **BE ADOPTED.** ALSO RESOLVED THAT the Director, School of Continuing Education, be responsible to take necessary action with immediate effect to implement both Constituent Community Colleges and Community Colleges in Tamil Nadu.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the new guidelines stipulated with respect to Centre for Skill Development in the Booklet, **BE ADOPTED.** ALSO RESOLVED THAT the Director, Centre for Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programme be responsible to take necessary action with immediate effect to implement the scheme of Skill Development in Tamil Nadu.

ITEM NO. 2020-51.30

**TO CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE TO ASCERTAIN THE ELIGIBILITY FOR NON-COMPOUNDED ADVANCE INCREMENTS ON PH.D. DEGREE OF DR. T. SAMPATH KUMAR, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, TNOU**







**RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the Committee to ascertain the eligibility for non-compounded advance increments on Ph.D., Degree of Dr.T.Sampath Kumar, Assistant Professor, TNOU, **BE NOTED.**

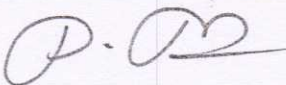
**FURTHER RESOLVED THAT** non-compounded advanced increment to the individual for acquiring Ph.D, Degree, **BE NOT COMPLIED WITH,** on the following grounds:

- i. His Ph.D degree in Faculty of Science - Zoology - Non-Formal & Audit Education (Inter-disciplinary) is not in a discipline which is relevant to the Department in which he is Assistant Professor as the condition laid down by TN.G.O.350.
- ii. As per TN G.O(Ms) No.145, the incentive structure is built-in the pay structure itself, so, no incentives in form of advance increments for obtaining the degree of Ph.D.
- iii. TN G.O (Ms) No.37 stated that sanction of advance increment for possessing higher qualification, as a whole, be cancelled/dispensed.
- iv. His Ph.D degree in Faculty of Science-Zoology -Non-Formal & Adult Education (Interdisciplinary) thesis entitled is not equivalent to Ph.D in Education as per the letter from the Registrar of University of Madras.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.31**

**TO REPORT THE REPATRIATION OF Dr. S. MURUGAPPAN, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE TO HIS PARENT DEPARTMENT**

**RESOLVED THAT** the repatriation of Dr.S.Murugappan, Associate Professor, School of Computer Science, with effect from 25.05.2016 to his parent department **BE RECORDED.**





**ITEM NO. 2020-51.32**

**TO CONSIDER THE ENTIRE FEE WAIVER TO THE COVID 19 AFFECTED AND RECOVERED CANDIDATES WILLING TO STUDY ANY PROGRAMME IN TNOU**

RESOLVED THAT the entire fee waiver (except fees viz. Registration, Examination and Convocation fee) to the Covid 19 affected and recovered candidates willing to study any Programme in TNOU, BE NOT CONSIDERED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.33**

**TO CONSIDER GRANT OF FEE CONCESSION TO CANDIDATES WHO SEEK ADMISSION IN ANY OF THE PROGRAMME OF TNOU DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC (ACADEMIC YEAR 2020-21)**

RESOLVED THAT the grant of Fee Concession (excluding Registration, Examination and Convocation fee) to candidates who seek admission in any of the Programme of TNOU during Covid-19 Pandemic (Academic Year 2020-2021) BE NOT CONSIDERED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.34**

**TO CONSIDER UTILIZING THE SERVICES OF 32 NOS. OF QUALIFIED ALUMNUS OF M.SC. COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY PROGRAMME OF TNOU TO COUNSEL THE PEOPLE ON MID & POST COVID-19 PANDEMIC FOR LEADING THEIR SAFE LIFE IN TAMIL NADU**

RESOLVED THAT the services of 32 nos. of qualified Alumnus of M.Sc. Counselling and Psychotherapy Programme of TNOU to counsel the people on mid & post Covid-19 Pandemic for leading their safe life in Tamil Nadu, BE APPROVED.



FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the School of Social Sciences, be authorized to implement and follow-up the scheme with immediate effect.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.35**

**TO INFORM THE APPROVAL OF THE UGC-DEB FOR OFFERING UG(42) AND PG(38) PROGRAMMES TO TNOU UNDER UGC-ODL REGULATIONS 2017**

RESOLVED THAT the approval of the UGC-DEB for offering UG (42) and PG (38) Programmes to TNOU under UGC-ODL Regulations 2017, as given in the Agenda Notes, BE NOTED.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.36**

**TO INFORM THE SUBMISSION OF AFFIDAVIT TO THE UGC-DEB FOR OBTAINING NAAC ACCREDITATION FOR OFFERING UGC-DEB APPROVED PROGRAMMES**

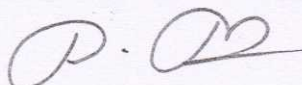
RESOLVED THAT the submission of Affidavit to the UGC-DEB for obtaining NAAC Accreditation for offering UGC-DEB approved Programmes, as given in the Annexure-XV Page Nos.227 to 230 to the Agenda Notes, BE NOTED.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the request be sent to the UGC-DEB for extension of time of one more year on or before 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 for obtaining NAAC Accreditation, due to Covid-19 pandemic issue.

**ITEM NO. 2020-51.37**

**TO INFORM THE INHOUSE OPERATIONALIZATION OF ENTIRE AUTOMATION OF ADMISSION AND EXAMINATION PROCESS BY THE UNIVERSITY FROM 1st FEBRUARY 2020 ONWARDS**

RESOLVED THAT the in-house operationalization of entire automation of Automation of Admission and Examination Process by the University from 01.02.2020 onwards, BE NOTED.





**ITEM NO. 2020-51.38**

**TO INFORM THE RENEWAL OF MoU WITH ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION INSTITUTE (EDII) FOR OFFERING PROGRAMMES ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT TO COLLEGE STUDENTS IN TAMIL NADU**

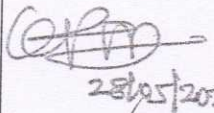
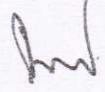
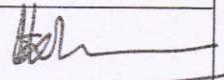
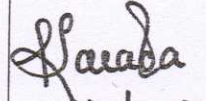
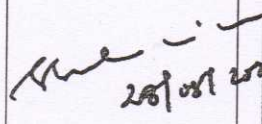

RESOLVED THAT the renewal of MoU with Entrepreneurship Development and Innovation Institute (EDII) for offering Programmes on Entrepreneurship Development to College Students in Tamil Nadu, as detailed in the *Annexure XVI Page Nos.231 to 235*, to the Agenda Notes, BE NOTED AND APPROVED.

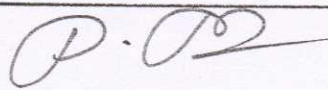
**ITEM NO. 2020-51.39**

**TO INFORM RETIREMENT OF Dr. M. MURUGAN, PROFESOR & HEAD SCHOOL OF SCIENCE OF TAMIL NADU OPEN UNIVERSITY, CHENNAI ON ATTAINING THE AGE OF SUPERANNUATION**

RESOLVED THAT the retirement of Dr.M.Murugan, Professor & Head, School of Science of Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai on attaining the age of superannuation w.e.f 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020, BE NOTED.

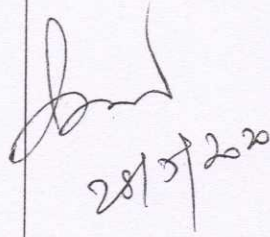
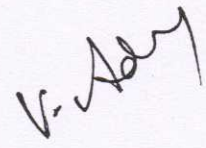
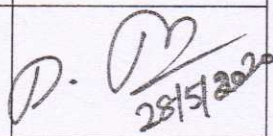


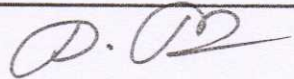
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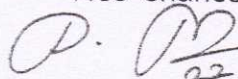


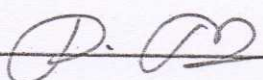
MINUTES

CONSIDERED THE MINUTES OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR SELECTION OF CANDIDATE FOR THE POST OF REGISTRAR, TAMIL NADU OPEN UNIVERSITY

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Selection Committee recommending the Selection of Dr. M.V. Sridharaman, Prof. Head, <sup>TNOU,</sup> SSS for appointment as the REGISTRAR of the Tamil Nadu Open University for a period of three years with pay protection be approved. Further resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be authorized to issue orders of appointment to the selected candidate forthwith.


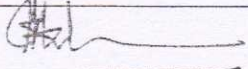
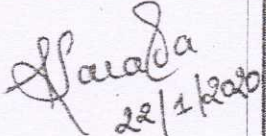
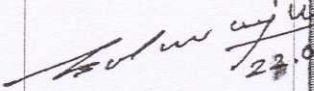
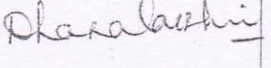
  
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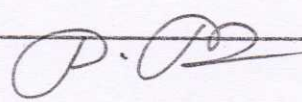
  
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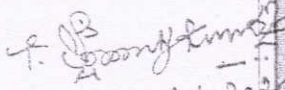
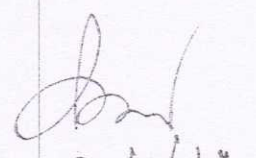
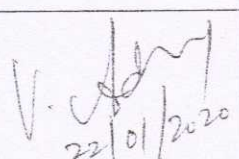
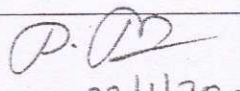
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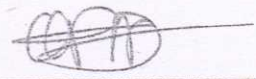
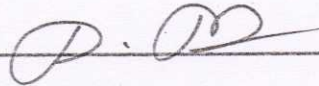
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8	Dr. N. Dhanalakshmi Associate Professor School of History and Tourism Studies Tamil Nadu Open University, Chennai - 600 015.	Member	







9.	Dr. T. Sampathkumar Assistant Professor School of Education Tamil Nadu Open University Chennai - 600 015.	Member	 22.1.2020
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ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE SYNDICATE MINUTES BY CIRCULATION DATED  
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AGENDA

Considered the Minutes of the Selection Committee for Selection of Candidate for the post of Registrar, Tamil Nadu Open University.

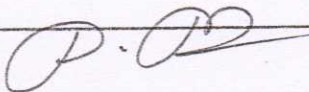
MINUTES

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Selection Committee recommending the Selection of Dr. M.V. Sudhakaran, Professor, School of Social Sciences, TNOU for appointment as the REGISTRAR of the Tamil Nadu Open University for a period of three years with pay protection be approved. Further resolved that the Vice-Chancellor be authorized to issue orders of appointment to the selected candidate forthwith.

ACTION TAKEN

Vice-Chancellor has issued a Proceedings F.No.TNOU/Estt/Appt./Regr./VC-App-1/2020 dated 05.02.2020, to Dr. M.V. Sudhakaran, Professor & Head, School of Social Sciences, TNOU for appointing him as the Registrar of the University, (copy enclosed).

Dr. M.V. Sudhakaran has submitted a letter to Vice-Chancellor on 12.02.2020 conveyed that he could not accept the offer of appointment as Registrar, due to his unforeseen family conditions, (copy enclosed).



  
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