

**CONFIDENTIAL****GOA UNIVERSITY**  
**Taleigao Plateau, Goa**

**Minutes of the Twenty Eighth (Special) Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. in the Council Hall of Goa University under the Chairpersonship of the Vice-Chancellor, Goa University.**

**Members Present**

Dr. Unnikrishnan. S.	Member
Prof. Datta B. Naik	Member
Shri Bhushan Savoikar (Director, DHE attended on behalf of the Secretary Education)	Member (Ex-Officio)
Prof. C. U. Rivonker	Member
Dr. Anura Prashant Bale	Member
Prof. S. Krishnan	Member
Registrar	Member Secretary (Ex-Officio)

**Members who conveyed their inability to attend/could not attend.**

Prof. Suhas Pednekar	Member
Shri Arjun Chowgule	Member
Dr. Aparna Devdatta Patil	Member
Shri Shrinivas Vasudeva Sinai Dempo	Member
Dr. Ajit Parulekar	Member
Shri Sudin Naik	Member
Dr. Ganesh Gaonkar	Member
Dr. S.N. Mamle Desai	Member
Secretary (Finance)	Member (Ex-Officio)

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the Esteemed Members to the Twenty Eighth (Special) Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council.

The Vice-Chancellor informed the Hon'ble members that the Centre has sanctioned Rs.99.99 Crore to the Goa University under Pradhan Mantri Uchcharat Shiksha Abhiyan (PM-USHA) Scheme for upgradation as Multi-disciplinary Education & Research University (MERU). He further informed that out of the amount received, approx. Rs.80 Crores will be utilized for the development of infrastructure including furnishing/renovation of buildings on the GU campus and Rs.20 Crores will be utilized for purchase of research related equipment and for research related activities.

The House noted the sanction of the funds under the PM-USHA: MERU to the University and decided to place on record its sincere vote of thanks to the concerned Government authorities. Additionally the house congratulated University's efforts in getting the funds and became one among 26 Universities successful in PM-USHA.

The Vice-Chancellor further informed the House regarding the success of the National Space Science Symposium (NSSS 2024) held at Goa University from 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 to 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2024 which was jointly organized by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO), Goa University (GU), the Ministry of Earth Science, the National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research (NCPOR), and the State Government.

Further, he congratulated Prof. C.U. Rivonker, Hon'ble Member of the House for receiving extension in service as Senior Professor at School of Earth, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences at Goa University. Further, the Chairperson also places on record his appreciation for all the work rendered by Prof. Rivonker as Executive Council Member.

Thereafter, the agenda was taken up for discussion.

**D 1.3.6 (i)** To consider the Recognition of teacher as Post-Graduate teacher of the Goa University under the Ordinance OA-2.

It was informed to the Hon'ble Members that one teacher had applied for recognition as Post-graduate Teacher of the University. The said application was placed before the Recognition Committee under Ordinance OA-2 wherein the Committee recommended the teacher for recognition as a Post-Graduate Teacher.

**RESOLUTION I: The Executive Council approved the Recognition of the following teacher as Post-Graduate teacher of Goa University as per the Ordinance OA-2.**

Sr. No.	Name	Subject	Institution/College
1	Dr. Seeta M. Pai Raiturkar	Pathology	Goa Medical College, Bambolim – Goa.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Academic (PG))

**D 1.3.6 (ii)**

**Confidential matter pertains to POSH Act 2013.**

**D 1.4.1 (i)** To consider and approve the recommendation of the Selection Committee meeting for promotion under Career Advancement Scheme from Professor to Senior Professor Level.

The Registrar informed the House that Selection Committee meeting for promotion from Professor to Senior Professor under CAS was held on 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 in the disciplines of Physics and Biotechnology in the School of Physical and Applied Sciences and School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, respectively.

**RESOLUTION III: The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee for Promotion under Career Advancement Scheme from Professor to Senior Professor in the disciplines of Physics, School of Physical and Applied Science and Biotechnology, School of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology as under:**

<b>Sr. No</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Discipline</b>	<b>Promotion Level</b>	<b>Date of Eligibility</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Prof. Kaustubh R.S. Priolkar</b>	<b>Physics</b>	<b>Professor to Senior Professor (Academic Level 15)</b>	<b>11/01/2024</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Prof. Sanjeev C. Ghadi</b>	<b>Biotechnology</b>	<b>Professor to Senior Professor (Academic Level 15)</b>	<b>14/12/2022</b>

**Pending finalization of the minutes, it was decided to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to issue promotion orders to the above teachers.**

(Action: Assistant Registrar- Admin.(Teaching))

**D 1.4.1 (ii)** To consider and approve the recommendations of the Selection Committee for appointment of Associate Professor/Assistant Professors in the discipline of Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS) at the University on regular basis:

**RESOLUTION IV: The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee regarding the appointment of Associate Professor and Assistant Professors in the discipline of Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS) at the University on regular basis:**

Sr. No.	Name	Post	category	Date of interview
1	None found suitable	Assistant Professor (Against the substantive post of Associate Professor)	UR	02/03/2024
2	None found suitable	Assistant Professor (Against the substantive post of Associate Professor)	UR	
3	None found suitable	Assistant Professor	UR	
4	None found suitable	Assistant Professor	OBC	
5	None found suitable	Assistant Professor	ST	

**Further, it was resolved to write to Directorate of Higher Education requesting relaxation in the Domicile criteria with regard to recruitment under UR category in the discipline of Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS) due to non-availability of suitable candidates.**

(Action: Assistant Registrar- Admin.(Teaching))

**D 1.7 (i)** Proposed part amendment to Ordinance OA-2 relating to the recognition of persons as teachers (Post Graduate, M.Phil and Ph.D Degree) of the University.

The Registrar informed the House that the Academic Council in its meeting held on 09/02/2024 approved the recommendation of the on-campus Deans, that the Faculty members recognized in any one of subjects namely Commerce, Financial Services, Management and Hospitality and Travel & Tourism, shall be deemed considered recognized in the other three subjects offered by Goa University. Also, the faculty members who have not yet been recognized shall have to apply for recognition in the discipline in which they have been awarded Ph.D.

Accordingly, amendment to Ordinance OA-2 with the above proposed changes was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 09/02/2024.

**RESOLUTION V: The Executive Council approved the proposed part amendment to Ordinance OA-2 relating to the recognition of persons as teachers (Post Graduate, M.Phil and Ph.D Degree) of the University.**

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin.(Legal)/Assistant Registrar-Acad.(PG))

**D 1.7 (ii)** Proposed Part Amendment to Ordinance OC-75 relating to the examination in the Faculty of Medicine the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (M.B.B.S) (Under Section 24 (1) of the Goa University Act, 1984).

The Registrar informed the Members that the Academic Council in its meeting held on 09/02/2024 has approved the proposed part amendment to Ordinance OC-75 wherein it was further resolved to place the same before the Drafting & Vetting Committee and thereafter before the Executive Council for consideration.

**RESOLUTION VI: The Executive Council approved the proposed part amendment to Ordinance OC-75 relating to the examination in the Faculty of Medicine the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (M.B.B.S).**

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin.(Legal)/Controller of Examinations)

**D 1.8 (i)** Extension of services of Staff in the Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy and Centre for Women's Studies at Goa University.

The Hon'ble Members were informed that the services of the temporary employees in the Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP) and the staff of erstwhile Centre for Women's Studies at Goa University were extended from 01/04/2022 to 31/03/2023. Subsequently, UGC vide Public Notice No.F.1-8/2016(CPP-II) dated 07/04/2022 extended the term of the above Centres upto 31/03/2023.

Coordinator, CSSEIP and Prof. Shaila Desouza, Dean, Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Governance and Public Policy, requested to extend the services of staff of CSSEIP and Centre for Women's studies beyond 31/03/2023. Subsequently, UGC vide public Notice F.No.1-8/2016(CPP-II) dt.28/4/2023 extended the term of said centres upto 31/3/2024.

Further, it was informed that the present tenure staff under CSSEIP of UGC and Centre for Women's Studies at Goa University have completed nearly 14 years of service without break, and it is proposed to adjust these staff against the existing regular vacancies at equivalent Grade/Pay Level with the approval of the from the State Government.

It was also informed that UGC funds are not received on time and therefore University funds have to be utilized for timely payment of salary to the said staff.

University vide its letter dt. 02/11/2010 to DHE had requested for State Government's assurance for taking over liability of the CSSEIP after completion of XI plan period. The DHE vide letter dt. 19/07/2011 had conveyed its approval to take over liabilities of the Centre after completion of XI plan and also it was informed that the performance of the Centre for the above period shall be evaluated and decision would then be taken to continue the Centre on permanent basis. However, since UGC vide letter dt. 06/06/2013 had communicated that the Centre will continue with the scheme until further order and

as such the decision of Government of Goa of taking over liability from 2012-2017 was withdrawn.

Therefore, it is now proposed that the above tenure appointments may be regularized and salary expenditure in this connection may be met from the Block grant of State Government.

The Director, DHE who participated in place of Secretary (Education), said that this proposal may possibly be against the directives issued by Hon'ble Supreme Court in certain matters and will need a thorough examination and there are good chances that it will not fulfill the requirements of the applicable law.

The members then suggested to explore possibility Government of Goa of taking over the liability as it was agreed by the Government in 2011.

**RESOLUTION VII: The Executive Council approved for the extension of services of staff in the Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy and Centre for Women's Studies at Goa University upto 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2025.**

**The Executive Council resolved to write to Directorate of Higher Education requesting to explore the possibility of appointing the tenure staff working in the Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy (CSSEIP) and in the erstwhile Centre for Women's Studies at Goa University on regular basis by adjusting the said temporary staff against the existing regular vacancies at equivalent Grade/Pay Level as and when such vacancy arises.**

**The House further resolved to explore possibility of Government of Goa of taking over the liability as it was agreed by the Government in 2011, in case the above proposal is not approved.**

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin. (NT))

The meeting ended at 12.00 noon with thanks to the members.

Sd/-  
(Prof. V. S. Nadkarni)  
**REGISTRAR**

Sd/-  
(Prof. H. B. Menon)  
**VICE-CHANCELLOR**