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GOA UNIVERSITY
Taleigao Plateau, Goa

Minutes of the Thirtieth Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on Friday, 28th June, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Hall of Goa University under the Chairpersonship of the Vice-Chancellor, Goa University.

Members Present

Prof. Suhas Pednekar	Member
Dr. Unnikrishnan. S.	Member
Dr. Aparna Devdatta Patil	Member
Shri Shrinivas Vasudeva Sinai Dempo	Member
Dr. Ajit Parulekar	Member
Shri Sudin Naik	Member
Dr. Ganesh Gaonkar	Member
Prof. Vidhyadatta M. Shet Verenkar	Member
Prof. Anuradha Wagle	Member
Prof. S. Krishnan	Member
Registrar	Member Secretary (Ex-Officio)

Shri Bhushan Savoikar, Director, DHE attended on behalf of the Secretary Education.

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

Shri Arjun Chowgule	Member
Prof. Datta B. Naik	Member
Secretary (Finance)	Member (Ex-Officio)
Dr. Anura Prashant Bale	Member

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the Esteemed Members to the Thirtieth Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council and briefed about the following items.

He informed about the status of the work going on under PM-USHA Scheme and that the University will be submitting the Detailed Project Report (DPR) to the Ministry of Education, Government of India shortly, since the deadline to submit DPR has been revised to 30th June, 2024.

Further, he informed that the 35th Annual Convocation of Goa University will be held on 29th July, 2024 at Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Indoor Stadium and Shri S. Somanath, Chairman ISRO, Secretary, Department of Space (DOS) will be the Chief Guest for the function.

It was also informed that the 40th Foundation Day of Goa University will be celebrated on Saturday, 29th June, 2024 and Dr. Suhas Pednekar, Hon'ble Member of the House and the Former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Mumbai would be the Chief Guest for the function.

Thereafter, the agenda were taken up for discussion.

D.1.1 (i) To confirm the minutes of the 29th Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on 26/04/2024.

RESOLUTION I: The Executive Council confirmed the minutes of the 29th Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on 26/04/2024.

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

D.1.2 (i) Action taken on the minutes of the 29th Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on 26/04/2024.

RESOLUTION II: The Executive Council noted the action taken on various decisions as per the minutes of 29th Meeting of the Tenth Executive Council held on 26/04/2024.

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

D 1.3.2 (i) To consider the minutes of the Fourteenth meeting of the Xth Academic Council held on 13th October, 2023.

RESOLUTION III: The Executive Council approved the minutes of the Fourteenth meeting of the Xth Academic Council held on 13th October, 2023.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Acad.(General))

D 1.3.2 (ii) To consider the minutes of the Fifteenth meeting of the Xth Academic Council held on 9th February, 2024.

RESOLUTION IV: The Executive Council approved the minutes of the Fifteenth meeting of the Xth Academic Council held on 9th February, 2024.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Acad.(General))

D 1.3.6 (i) To consider the Recognition of teachers as Ph.D. Research Guides under the Ordinance OA-2.

The Registrar informed the House that cases of two teachers who had applied for recognition as Ph.D. Guides of the University were placed before the Recognition Committee as per the provisions of Ordinance OA-2 and the said Committee recommended them for recognition as a Ph.D. Guides.

RESOLUTION V: The Executive Council approved the recognition of the following teachers as Ph.D. Research Guides of the University in the subject mentioned against their respective names as per Ordinance OA-2.

Ph. D. Research Guide:

Sr. No.	Name	Subject	Institution/College
1.	Dr. Rajesh M. Pednekar	Physical Chemistry	DM's College and Research Centre, Assagao, Bardez Goa
2.	Dr. Bharati Chavan	Social Work	Institute of Psychiatry & Human Behaviour, Bambolim Goa

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Academic (PG))

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

The Registrar informed the House that six teachers had applied for recognition as Post-graduate Teacher of the University. The applications of said teachers were placed before the Recognition Committee as per the provisions of Ordinance OA-2 and the Committee recommended them for recognition as a Post-Graduate Teachers.

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

Post-Graduate teacher:

Sr. No.	Name	Subject	Institution/College
1.	Dr. Jinendra Kumar R.	Neurosurgery	Goa Medical College
2.	Dr. Anita Sandhya Estibeiro	M.D. Microbiology	Goa Medical College
3.	Mr. Bharat Kumar Bhayal	Optometry	Goa Medical College
4.	Dr. Dipti Srivastava	Ophthalmology	Goa Medical College

5.	Dr. Aparna Kapil Naik	Ophthalmology	Goa Medical College
6.	Dr. Edwin J. J. B. M. Gomes	Geriatric	Goa Medical College

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Academic (PG))

D 1.4.1 (i) Expert Report on the work carried out during Sabbatical Leave period in respect of Professor Nina Caldeira, Shenoi Goembab School of Languages & Literature, Goa University.

The House was informed that Sabbatical leave was sanctioned to Prof. Nina Caldeira for the period from 01/06/2022 to 30/04/2023 and as per the Sabbatical leave guidelines, she had made an Open presentation about the work done by her which was assessed by the expert nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

RESOLUTION VII: The Executive Council approved the report submitted by the Expert Reviewer in respect of the work done by Prof. Nina Caldeira, Shenoi Goembab School of Languages & Literature, Goa University during her sabbatical leave period.

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

D 1.4.1 (ii) Assessment report data with respect to the probation and confirmation of newly recruited Assistant Professor.

RESOLUTION VIII : The Executive Council resolved to confirm the services of the following Assistant Professors having successfully completed the mandatory one year of probation period.

Sr. No	Name of the Assistant Professor	Discipline	School	Date of Joining University Services	Date of Completion of Probation Period
1	Dr. Deepika Gajanan Karmalkar	Chemistry (In-Organic)	School of Chemical Sciences	09.06.2023	08.06.2024
2	Dr. Vijay Madhu Gawas	Law	Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Governance & Public Administration	27.06.2023	26.06.2024

Further, it was decided to issue confirmation orders to the above teachers pending finalization of the minutes.

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

D 1.4.1 (iii) Matter regarding extension of probation period of Dr. Sangeeta Rajesh Dessai, Assistant Professor, Shenoi Goembab School of Languages & Literature.

The Registrar informed the House that the Dean, Shenoi Goembab School of Languages & Literature has recommended to extend the probation period of Dr. Sangeeta Rajesh Dessai for a further period of one more year. During deliberations on this item, Prof. Wagle who is also the member of the House informed that Dr. Sangeeta is suffering from acute arthritis and is facing difficulties while teaching in class due to her sickness. It was also informed that she is refusing to participate in other activities of the Discipline/School stating her health issues. The Vice-Chancellor said that she did not inform about any health issue during the time of her selection.

The members suggested that if the University is extending her probation, then she should be given clear targets to complete various academic and other tasks similar to the nature of tasks assigned to the other teachers, during the extension period. It was also suggested that she should be advised to ensure that her health issues are resolved during this extension period so that she is completely fit for all sort of duties as are performed by other Assistant Professors. The House also suggested to check her leave records and the grounds on which she applied her leaves.

RESOLUTION IX: The Executive Council approved to extend the probation period of Dr. Sangeeta Rajesh Dessai, Assistant Professor, Shenoi Goembab School of Languages & Literature for a further period of one year.

Further, it was suggested to issue a memorandum to Dr. Sangeeta with a warning that she will have to complete academic and extra-curricular or co-curricular tasks assigned by her Dean similar to the other teachers.

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

D 1.4.2 (i) Recruitment Rules for Senior Laboratory Assistant at Goa University.

The House was informed that University has eight sanctioned posts of Senior Laboratory Assistant, out of which six are filled and two are vacant. As per the RRs notified by the Department of Personnel, the educational qualification required for Laboratory Assistant is Degree in Science from a recognized University or equivalent. The promotional post for Laboratory Assistant is Senior Laboratory Assistant. The RRs approved by the Executive Council in its meeting held on 15.03.2019, states that Laboratory Assistant are eligible for promotion under the following two circumstances:

1. Science degree holder in Laboratory Assistant are eligible for promotion with 03 years experience in the grade and
2. Other Laboratory Assistant with 5 years regular service in the grade.

Since, the minimum qualification for Laboratory Assistant as per the Government O.M. dt. 08/04/2024 is Science Degree, the University is required to delete the other option for promotion for Laboratory Assistants without Bachelor degree in Science. Accordingly, the revised RR was placed for approval of the House.

RESOLUTION X: The Executive Council approved the revised Recruitment Rules for the post of Senior Laboratory Assistant at Goa University.

The House also suggested to revise the Recruitment Rules in respect of Senior Lab Technicians in alignment to the Senior Laboratory Assistant. Further, the House authorized the Vice-Chancellor to approve the Revised Recruitment Rules for Senior Lab Technician and forward the same for approval of the State Government.

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

D 1.4.2 (ii) To convert post of Junior Engineer (Civil) to Junior Engineer (Electrical).

The Members were informed that there are five sanctioned posts of Junior Engineer (JE), out of which, four posts are assigned as JE(Civil) and one post as JE(Electrical). Presently, four posts of Junior Engineer are filled out of which three are filled as JE (Civil) and one as JE (Electrical).

The officiating University Engineer has requested to fill the vacant post of as JE(Electrical) instead of filling the same as JE(Civil),as over the last few years the University has added a few academic buildings/infrastructure and the electrical requirements towards such buildings and other major time bound projects under PM-USHA have to be managed. It may be practically very difficult for one Junior Engineer (Electrical) to single-handedly manage the increased work situation, thus affecting the time schedule of work execution.

RESOLUTION XI : The Executive Council approved to convert one post of Junior Engineer (Civil) to Junior Engineer (Electrical) and further resolved to forward the proposal to the Directorate of Higher Education informing that there shall be no any financial implications on the part of the State Government in view of the said conversion.

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

D 1.4.2 (iii) Recruitment Rules for Gym Instructor.

The Registrar informed that University had advertised the post of Gym Instructor on contract basis on 23/08/2023. During the scrutiny of applications, it was found that no candidate was eligible for the said post as per the advertised Education Qualifications. For

advertising the said contractual post, the RRs approved by the Government in the year 2010 were taken into consideration.

Since the Educational Qualifications mentioned in the Government RRs are old and are no more offered by any University/Institution, getting qualified candidates for the said position may not be possible. Therefore, revised RRs for Goa University are prepared by referring to the RRs of other State Universities, Sports Authority of India and other State Governments which were placed for approval of the House.

RESOLUTION XII: The Executive Council approved the Revised Recruitment Rules for the post of Gym Instructor at Goa University.

Further, the members suggested to ensure the communication skills of the candidates and to consider well qualified and experienced candidates for the said position.

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

D 1.4.2 (iv) House rent allowance in respect of Dr. Amavel Pereira, Medical Officer, Goa University.

The Registrar informed the House that house rent allowance in respect of Dr. Amavel Pereira, Medical Officer, GU was not considered by the House in its meeting held on 31/08/2018.

The House was also informed that as per the advertisement as well as offer of appointment issued, the Medical Officer should reside on the Campus. In the offer of appointment and in the order of appointment, the condition of staying in the University quarters was conveyed to Dr. Amavel. This was insisted since the presence of the Medical Officer on the campus is necessary to meet the medical requirement of students and staff staying on the campus any time including outside office hours.

The Members asked the Registrar whether any fresh request has been received from the Medical Officer regarding this matter for which Registrar replied negatively. It was suggested that the permission granted earlier to stay away from University campus was not correct and will also be reviewed along with any further demands made by the Medical Officer, in future.

RESOLUTION XIII: The Executive Council after deliberations resolved to maintain status-quo in the matter.

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

D 1.4.2 (v) To consider and approve the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the posts of Deputy Registrar.

The Members were informed that a meeting for the selection of posts of Deputy Registrar under Unreserved category and ST category was held on 25th June, 2024. The recommendations of the Selection Committee were placed before the House for approval. It was also informed that a vacancy for Deputy Registrar under OBC category couldn't be filled due to non-receipt of any application under the said category.

RESOLUTION XIV: The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee for the posts of Deputy Registrar under Unreserved category and ST category at Goa University as under:

The candidates selected and approved on the order of merit;

Selected candidate - UR Category
Shri Ashwin Vyas Lawande

Wait list:
Ms. Qubilah D'Souza

Selected candidate - ST Category
Smt. Kirti G. Kankonkar

Wait list:
Nil

Further, it was decided to issue the Offer of Appointment to the Selected Candidates pending finalization of the Minutes.

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

D 1.7 (i) Proposed Ordinance OA-XX Governing Master of Engineering Degree and Post-Graduate Engineering Certificate (Effective from the Academic Year 2024-25).

It was informed that the New Ordinance Governing Master of Engineering Degree and Post-Graduate Engineering Certificate with suggestions was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 05/04/2024. Further, with the authorization of the House the draft Ordinance was revised with suggestions and was placed before the Drafting & Vetting Committee Meeting on 05/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XV: The Executive Council approved the proposed New Ordinance OA-XX Governing Master of Engineering Degree and Post-Graduate Engineering Certificate.

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

D 1.7 (ii) Part amendment to Ordinance OA-5.16 and OA-26 pertaining to Sports Marks.

The Members were informed that the part amendment to Ordinance OA-5.16 and Ordinance OA-26 were approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024 which was subsequently vetted by the drafting and vetting committee in its meeting held on 18/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XVI: The Executive Council approved the part amendment to Ordinance OA-5.16 and Ordinance OA-26 pertaining to the Sports Marks.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin.(Legal)/Assistant Director of sports)

D 1.7 (iii) Proposed part amendment to Ordinance OC-56 relating to the Degrees of Allied Health Sciences under Faculty of Medicine.

The House was informed that the part amendment to Ordinance OC-56 was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 05/04/2024 which was further vetted by the Drafting & Vetting Committee on 18/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XVII: The Executive Council approved the part amendment to Ordinance OC-56 relating to the Degrees of Allied Health Sciences under Faculty of Medicine.

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

D 1.7 (iv) Proposed part amendment to Ordinance OC-42A relating to the Degree of Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch.) of Goa University.

The Members were informed that the part amendment to Ordinance OC-42A was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024 and was subsequently vetted by the Drafting & Vetting Committee on 18/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XVIII: The Executive Council approved the part amendment to Ordinance OC-42A relating to the Degree of Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch.) of Goa University.

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

D 1.7 (v) Proposed Ordinance OB-XX governing the Two-year Diploma and One-year Post-Graduate Diploma Programmes of study conducted by the on-campus Schools of Goa University based on the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) Regulations (Effective from the Academic Year 2024- 2025).

It was informed that the Academic Council in its meeting dated 05/04/2024 had authorized the Standing Committee to approve the proposed New Ordinance for Disability Studies subject to the approval of this House with regard to signing of MOU with the concerned institution.

Subsequently, the new draft Ordinance OB-XX was approved by the Standing Committee in its meeting held on 10th & 11th May, 2024. Further, the same was vetted by the Drafting & Vetting Committee on 18/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XIX: The Executive Council approved the New Ordinance OB-XX governing the Two-year Diploma and One-year Post-Graduate Diploma Programmes of study conducted by the on-campus Schools of Goa University based on the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) Regulations.

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

D 1.7 (vi) Proposed part amendment to OA-38 Ordinance governing the Undergraduate (UG) General Education Programmes.

The Executive Council was informed that part amendment to Ordinance OA-38 was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024 subsequently; the same was vetted by the Drafting & Vetting Committee on 18/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XX: The Executive Council approved the part amendment to Ordinance OA-38 governing the Undergraduate (UG) General Education Programmes.

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

D 1.7 (vii) Proposed Ordinance OC-53-A relating to the Super-speciality Programmes leading to Master of Chirurgie (M.Ch.) in Surgical Super specialties and Doctorate of Medicine (D.M.) in Medical Super-specialties (Effective for students who joined from January 2022 till November 2023).

The House was informed that the Ordinance OC-53-A was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024 and later the same was vetted by the Drafting & Vetting Committee on 18/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XXI : The Executive Council approved the Proposed Ordinance OC-53-A relating to the Super-speciality Programmes leading to Master of Chirurgie (M.Ch.) in Surgical Super specialties and Doctorate of Medicine (D.M.) in Medical Super-specialties.

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

D 1.7 (viii) Proposed Ordinance OC-53-B relating to the Super-speciality Programmes leading to Master of Chirurgie (M.Ch.) in Surgical Super-specialties and Doctorate of Medicine (D.M.) in Medical Super-specialties (Applicable for students joining from December 2023).

The Members were informed that the Ordinance OC-53-B was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024 and subsequently the same was vetted by the Drafting & Vetting Committee on 18/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XXII : The Executive Council approved the Proposed Ordinance OC-53B relating to the Super-speciality Programmes leading to Master of Chirurgie (M.Ch.) in Surgical Super-specialties and Doctorate of Medicine (D.M.) in Medical Super-specialties.

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

D 1.7 (ix) Proposed part amendment to Ordinance OC-64A relating to the Four-Year Integrated Degree Programme of Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Agriculture B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture.

It was informed that the part amendment to Ordinance OC-64A was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024 and was subsequently vetted by the Drafting & Vetting Committee on 18/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XXIII: The Executive Council approved the part amendment to Ordinance OC-64A relating to the Four-Year Integrated Degree Programme of Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Agriculture B.Sc. (Hons) Agriculture with modification to the clause no. 6 i.e. Grading System of the said Ordinance.

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

D 1.8 (i) Proposal for admitting students to consider award of Degrees/Diplomas in presentia at the Convocation or in absentia at any time after the approval of the Executive Council.

RESOLUTION XXIV : The Executive Council approved the proposal for admitting the students for award of Degrees/Diplomas in presentia at the convocation or in absentia at any time after the approval of the Executive Council in the respective Faculty/School.

The motion was moved by Prof. Anuradha Wagle, Dean, Shenoj Goembab School of Languages and Literature on behalf of the Dean, Goa Business School, Dean, School of Chemical Sciences, Dean, School of Earth, Ocean & Atmospheric Sciences, Dean, School of Physical and Applied Sciences, Dean, D.D. Kosambi School of Social Science and Behavioural Studies, Dean, School

of Biological Sciences and Biotechnology, Dean, School of Sanskrit, Philosophy and Indic Studies, Dean, Faculty of Medicine and Dean, Faculty of Engineering was approved by the House.

The motion was proposed by Hon'ble Member Dr. Suhas Pednekar and was seconded by Hon'ble Member Shri Shrinivas Vasudeva Sinai Dempo.

(Action: Controller of Examinations)

D 1.8 (ii) Consideration of Report of the Committee constituted for framing Ethical Guidelines to be followed while publishing research data.

The Members were informed that a Committee was constituted under the Chairpersonship of Prof. V.M.S. Verenkar, Dean, School of Chemical Sciences, to formulate Rules/Guidelines to propose ethical requirements to be followed while publishing research papers in Journals. The Report was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 05/04/2024 with suggestions which were accordingly, incorporated for correctness.

The Hon'ble members appreciated the work done by the Committee with regard to framing of the guidelines.

RESOLUTION XXV: The Executive Council approved the Report of the Committee constituted for framing of the Ethical Guidelines to be followed for publishing research data.

(Action : Prof. V.M.S. Verenkar, Dean, SCS)

D 1.8 (iii) Memorandum of Understanding between Goa University and Taipei Economic and Cultural Centre in India, New Delhi.

The Hon'ble Members were informed that a draft MoU to be signed between the Goa University and Taipei Economic and Cultural Centre in India, New Delhi is a formal understanding of cooperation in appointing a Mandarin Chinese Teacher and establishing of Taiwan Education Centre in Goa University. The same was placed for consideration of the House.

RESOLUTION XXVI: The Executive Council approved the draft Memorandum of Understanding between Goa University and Taipei Economic and Cultural Centre in India, New Delhi.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Admin.(Legal)/ Director, DFS)

D 1.8 (iv) Approval for amendment to Procurement/Purchase Guidelines 2024.

The House was informed that the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 08/02/2024 had recommended to make some minor modifications to Goa University Purchase Guidelines and the amendment to the said guidelines was placed for consideration of the House.

RESOLUTION XXVII: The Executive Council approved the proposed amendment to the Goa University Purchase Guidelines 2024.

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

D 1.8 (v) Proposal of Dempo Charities Trust's S.S. Dempo College of Commerce & Economics, Cujira, Bambolim-Goa for grant of Autonomous Status.

Registrar informed that as per provisions of statute SC-15, a Scrutiny Committee was constituted to examine proposal of Dempo Charities Trust's S.S. Dempo College of Commerce & Economics, Cujira, Bambolim, Goa for grant of Autonomous Status. The report of the said committee recommending the proposal was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024.

Shri Shrinivas Vasudeo Sinai Dempo, Hon'ble Member recused himself during the discussion on this item being the part of management of the said College.

RESOLUTION XXVIII: The Executive Council approved to grant Autonomous Status to the Dempo Charities Trust's S.S. Dempo College of Commerce & Economics, Cujira, Bambolim, Goa as per the recommendations of the Scrutiny Committee and the Academic Council.

(Action: Assistant Registrar-Acad.(General))

D 1.8 (vi) Consideration of name of personality for award of Honorary Degree at the ensuing Convocation to be held on 29th July, 2024.

It was informed that the Academic Council has unanimously recommended to confer a Honorary D.Sc. Degree from the Goa University to Shri S. Somanath, Chairman ISRO, Secretary, Department of Space (DOS). The said proposal was approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024 and as per the provisions of SA-13 (vii) (c), the Executive Council may recommend presenting the honorary D. Sc. Degree to Shri S. Somanath at the 35th Convocation to be held on 29/07/2024.

RESOLUTION XXIX: The Executive Council unanimously approved the conferment of Honorary D.Sc. Degree from the Goa University to Shri S. Somanath, Chairman ISRO, Secretary, Department of Space (DOS) be

presented to him at the 35th Convocation of Goa University to be held on 29/07/2024.

Further, the members suggested to request Shri S. Somanath whether he is willing to serve as the Professor of Practice at Goa University and give his valuable contribution to the University.

(Action: Controller of Examinations)

D 1.8 (vii) Work of construction various infrastructure works sanctioned under PM-USHA scheme.

The Registrar informed the Hon'ble Members that the DPR of the projects proposed under PM-USHA were to be submitted to the Central Government by 30/06/2024 and the projects are to be constructed and completed by 31-03-2026. A copy of the DPR was provided to the Members and a brief presentation was made regarding following projects involving civil construction work.

1. Futsal Court
2. Building for the School of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences.
3. Building for the Biochemistry Laboratories for School of Chemical Sciences.
4. Two hostel buildings for Men, International Students and Women students.
5. Setting up of 33 KV substation and approach roads for SPAS.
6. Setting up of faculty research laboratories (FRL) for School of Chemical Sciences.
7. Furnishing of auditorium in the Manohar Parrikar School of Law, Governance and Public Policy.

It was informed that the preparation of the estimates and the drawings will be completed by 30-06-2024 and the proposals will be ready for tendering soon after that. However, the approvals from the Statutory Bodies i.e., North Goa Planning and Development Authority, Town and Country Planning and the Village Panchayats will take time and as the time frame for obtaining the same cannot be assessed and is beyond the control of the University, the matter was placed before the House for consideration as the works under PM-USHA scheme are time bound and the construction works are required to be commenced as soon as possible.

RESOLUTION XXX: The Executive Council approved the DPR of the project under MERU- PM USHA scheme for forwarding the same to the Central Government.

The House further resolved to permit the University officers to execute the required civil construction works under MERU - PM USHA scheme pending receipt of necessary permissions from the Statutory Bodies i.e., North Goa Planning and Development Authority, Town and Country Planning Board and the Village Panchayats.

The House also appreciated the work done by Prof. V.M.S. Verenkar and his team as well as the Offg. University Engineer and his team members for completing the DPR in a very short period of time.

(Action: Offg. University Engineer)

D 1.8 (viii) Goa University Policy on Copyright and Publications.

The Hon'ble members were informed that a Policy on Copyright and Publications has been proposed which sets out procedures for the publication of work by faculty, staff and students. The policy aims to protect the interests of the University and shall support and enhance academic and intellectual freedom, and enhance the quality of publications associated with the University and its Affiliated Colleges/Institutes. The said policy has been approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 05/04/2024.

RESOLUTION XXXI: The Executive Council approved the proposed Policy of Goa University on Copyright and Publication for setting out appropriate procedures for the publishing publication.

(Action: Assistant Registrar(Public Relations))

D 1.8 (ix) Rule 3 pertaining to formation of Goa University Campus Students Union.

The House was informed that new provisions and amendments to the existing Rule 3 pertaining to formation of Goa University Campus Students Union were proposed by DSW, GU because of several agitations and demands by students for uniform conditions with regard to conduct of elections on the GU campus. The said amendments were approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024.

RESOLUTION XXXII: The Executive Council approved the proposed amendments to the Rule 3 pertaining to formation of Goa University Campus Students Union.

It was also approved that Ladies Representative should be elected by all the eligible voters.

(Action: Director, DSW)

D 1.8 (x) Rule 4 pertaining to Formation of Student Council in affiliated Colleges.

The Registrar briefed the Hon'ble members that a new Rule 4 has been proposed which is similar to the existing Rule 3 pertaining to the formation of Student Council in affiliated Colleges. Proposed new Rule 4 has been approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 14/06/2024.

It was further informed that, by end of September 2024, Student Council formation will be completed.

RESOLUTION XXXIII: The Executive Council approved the proposed new Rule 4 pertaining to the Formation of Student Council in affiliated Colleges.

It was also approved that Ladies Representative should be elected by all the eligible voters.

(Action: Director, DSW)

R1 (i) Sanction of Study leave to Dr. Lata Gawade, Assistant Professor, School of Biological Sciences & Biotechnology, Goa University.

The Members were informed that Extra-Ordinary leave was sanctioned to Dr. Lata Gawade to avail post-doctoral fellowship for the period from 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2024. Dr. Gawade had later requested to change the nature of leave sanctioned to her from Extra-ordinary leave to Study leave as the institution where she was supposed to work remained close due to winter vacation and was not extending any financial support to her. Her request was approved by the Vice-Chancellor on behalf of the Executive Council.

RESOLUTION XXXIV: The Executive Council ratified the decision of the Vice-Chancellor in approving to change the nature of leave sanctioned to Dr. Lata Gawade, Assistant Professor, School of Biological Sciences & Biotechnology, Goa University from Extra-Ordinary Leave to Study Leave for the period from 01/01/2024 to 31/12/2024.

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

R1 (ii) Issue of Convocation Degree Certificate to the ICCR Students who needs to leave the Country.

The House was informed that two letters were received from students requesting for an early issuance of the degree certificate as the same was needed by them as they had to leave the country for personal reasons and before the expiry of their visa. In view of urgency and as authorized by the Executive Council in its meeting dated 11/10/2021, the Vice-Chancellor had approved the issuance of Convocation Degrees to the said two students.

RESOLUTION XXXV: The Executive Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving to issue of Convocation degree certificates to the following two eligible students whose results were declared after the last Executive Council meeting held on 26/04/2024:

- 1. Surya, International Student, M.B.A., Goa Business School, Goa University.**
- 2. Naqibullah, International Student, M.Com., Goa Business School, Goa University.**

(Action: Controller of Examinations)

R1 (iii) Appointment of Records Officer of Goa University.

A Circular No.5/135/PRA/2019-20/PUB/DA-2169 dated 11th March, 2024 was received from the Department of Archives, Government of Goa, wherein it was informed that the Goa Public Records Act, 2023 came to be enacted by the Goa Legislative Assembly in order to regulate the management, administration and preservation of public records of the Government, local bodies, public sector undertakings, statutory bodies and corporations, commissions and committees constituted by the Government and for the matters connected therewith or incidental thereto. The Section 5 (1) of the Goa Public Records Act, 2023 states that "Every records creating agency shall nominate one of its officers as 'Records Officer' to discharge the functions under this Act."

In view of the provisions of The Goa Public Records Act, 2023, it was decided to appoint, Deputy Registrar (Administration), Goa University as the Records Officer of GU to discharge the functions envisaged under the Goa Public Records Act, 2023. The said decision was taken by the Vice-Chancellor on behalf of the Executive Council.

RESOLUTION XXXVI : The Executive Council ratified the decision taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving to appoint the Deputy Registrar (Administration), Goa University as the Records Officer of Goa University to discharge the functions envisaged under the Goa Public Records Act, 2023.

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

A.O.B. (1) Advertisement to the faculty positions in Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS).

The Registrar briefed the House that University desires to start new programmes on campus which include Remote Sensing & Geographical Information System, Atmospheric Sciences, Computational Physics, Bio-Physics, Bio-Engineering, Bio-Medical Engineering, and Sanskrit. Interviews were also conducted in the said disciplines but failed to recruit because of the non-availability of suitably qualified candidates in the State. It was also informed that only one application was received in the discipline of Sanskrit. A copy of the letter in this regard written to Hon'ble Chief Minister by the Vice-Chancellor was also placed in the House. Moreover, a copy of the reply received from the Director, Department of Higher Education, Goa as a response to University's letter to waive off domicile and knowledge of language, was also placed in the House. Further, University wrote to Directorate of Higher Education on 7/6/2024 seeking permission to advertise for filling up posts in Remote Sensing & GIS, without the conditions of 15 Years Domicile &

Knowledge of Konkani due to non-availability of candidates in the State. Since, reply to the same is awaited the matter was placed before the House for its opinion to advertise the said posts in anticipation of a positive reply from the Government.

RESOLUTION XXXVII: The Executive Council recommended to advertise the posts for faculty positions in Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System (GIS) at Goa University after receiving approval from the State Government for the purpose.

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

The meeting ended at 1.30 p.m. with thanks to the Chair.

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(Prof. V. S. Nadkarni)
REGISTRAR

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(Prof. H. B. Menon)
VICE-CHANCELLOR