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MINUTES OF THE THIRTYFIFTH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE 35TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The 35th Meeting of the Executive Council was held on Thursday, the 1st September, 1983, at 11.00 A.M. in the Officer-Chamber of the Vice-Chancellor, NEHU.

PRESENT:

A list of members participating in the meeting is appended as Appendix - 1.

APOLOGIES:

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were received from the following members:

1. Prof. L.P. Vidyarthi
2. Shri M.R. Kolhatkar
3. Shri K.N. Channa
4. Director of Public Instruction, Meghalaya.
5. Director of Education, Mizoram.
6. Shri T.R. Jayaraman

Before taking up any Item from the Agenda, the Chairman informed the Council that the term of almost all members is expiring this month. This meeting was called on 1st September, 1983 with a view to meet the outgoing members.

The Chairman further informed the Council that under the existing practice the terms of almost all members other than ex-officio member nominated/ appointed under different Clauses of the Statute expire on the same day. The system results in the discontinuity in the functioning of the Executive Council at times. As such, the Chairman suggested that a system should be found out so that only one-third of the members of different categories expire every year.

In this connection, the Chairman suggested that these decisions may be communicated to the Ministry for their information and necessary action in respect of nomination made by the Visitor, so that nominations are made in such a way that only one-third of the members expire every year.

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The Chairman further observed that the Executive Council is a continuous body and its term is not for three years. The term of three years is that of its members other than ex-officio members. Therefore, he further observed that whenever any vacancy arises, perhaps that becomes a substantive vacancy and appointments against such vacancies may be made for the full term, i.e., 3 years. If necessary action may be taken to bring the necessary changes in the relevant Statutes.

The Council RESOLVED to place on records its deep appreciation and gratitude to the out-going members for their contribution and co-operation during their term as members of the Executive Council.

The Council then took up discussions on the Agenda.

Item No.1 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 34TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON 23RD JUNE, 1983.**

EC:35:83:01: RESOLVED that the Minutes of the 34th Meeting of the Executive Council held on the 23rd June, 1983, already circulated be confirmed.

Item No.2 **REPORTING ITEMS:**

(i) Minutes of the 4th and 5th Local Executive Council held on 8th July, 1983 and 5th August, 1983.

EC:35:83:02(i): The Executive Council approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee for appointment of Dr. Kamal Nandi as Principal Scientific Officer in RSIC and also agreed to accept the terms of appointment of the parent organisation in respect of salaries, etc.

(b) The Council also noted the ad-hoc appointments of Lecturers in the Pachhunga University College, Aizawl, Department of Physics and the Department of Chemistry respectively. The Council further noted the appointment of Lecturer in the Department of Khasi.

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- (ii) Grant of extension of study leave to Shri Sidheswar Sarma, Senior Cartographic Asstt., Geography Department, NEHU.

EC:35:83:02(ii): The Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in granting extension of study leave for a period from 15th January, 1983 to 14th July, 1983 to Shri Sidheswar Sarma, Senior Cartographic Assistant, Department of Geography, NEHU.

- (iii) Ministry's approval on the First Ordinances on
(i) The Mahatma Gandhi Visiting Professorship Fund
and (ii) Verrier Elwin Endowment Lecture Fund -

EC:35:83:02(iii): The Council noted the approval of the Visitor to First Ordinances on the Mahatma Gandhi Visiting Professorship Fund and the Verrier Elwin Endowment Lecture Fund.

Item No. 3 RATIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR:

- (i) Grant of extra-ordinary leave to Dr. J.R.B. Alfred, Reader in Zoology -

EC:35:83:03(i): The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in granting extra-ordinary leave for one year with effect from 1st July, 1983 to 30th June, 1984, in the first instance, to Dr. J.R.B. Alfred, Reader, Department of Zoology, to enable him to take up his new assignment in the Zoological Survey of India, Shillong.

- (ii) Resignation of Shri Jogneswar Sharma, Lecturer, Department of Economics, NEHU.

EC:35:83:03(ii): The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in accepting the resignation tendered by Shri Jogneswar Sharma, Lecturer, Department of Economics, NEHU with effect from 31st July, 1983. The Council also RESOLVED to waive the deficiency in the notice period.

- (iii) Grant of extra-ordinary leave to Dr. S. Ranasubramanian, Lecturer, Department of Mathematics, NEHU.

EC:35:83:03(iii): The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in granting extra-ordinary leave for a period of one year to Dr. S. Ranasubramanian, Lecturer, Department of

Mathematics with effect from 1st August, 1983 to 31st July 1984, to enable him to take up a new assignment in the Indiana University, Indiana, USA.

The Council also noted the assurance given by Dr. Ramasubramanian that he will re-join his duty in the University after the expiry of extra-ordinary leave.

(b) While considering the cases of extra-ordinary leave for the purpose of study training etc., it was noted that extra-ordinary leave is an extra-ordinary provision which covers a very wide variety of cases. A teacher is entitled to five years extra-ordinary leave in his whole career and he becomes eligible to take such leave after two years service. In the case of University service five years for the whole career may not have the same significance as in Government as the turnover is high. Hence, in some cases teachers may tend to take advantage of this provision soon after they become eligible. No rules can be made for cases when extra-ordinary leave may have to be taken on account of illness etc. But in case extra-ordinary leave is taken for study, training, joining another post etc., it would be reasonable to have specific stipulation. If a teacher has put in three years service or more, he may be given extra-ordinary leave for one year and if more than five years, then two years. The Council RESOLVED accordingly and further RESOLVED that suitable changes may be made in the Ordinance. In case leave is taken for study etc, an undertaking for serving the ~~University~~ ^{University} therefore for a period of 3 years may be taken.

(c) Another question which came up for discussion related to the undertaking etc. if any, when a teacher is granted duty leave for accepting a fellowship under bilateral cultural programmes. The Ordinance is silent on this. It was RESOLVED that in case the period is less than six months, no undertaking may be necessary. In case the leave is for more than six months, a bond may be executed for serving the University for a period of two years if the leave is up to one year, and three years if the leave is more than one year but less than two years. For leave two years or more four years bond may be executed.

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Item No. 4 ACADEMIC MATTERS:

- (i) (1) Establishment of a Central School in NEHU.

EC:35:83:04(i): The Council while agreeing in principle to the suggestion of the Ministry of Education & Culture for starting of a Central School for the North-Eastern Hill University, it is felt that the School be started on a public sector basis.

Item No. 5 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

5:1 - Selection Committees -

- (i) (1) Selection Committee for Pachhunga University College (Faculty position) -

EC:35:83:05.1(i): The Council approved the constitution of the Selection Committee for selection of teachers for the Pachhunga University College initially and RESOLVED that subsequently the Head of the Department of the College may also be included in the Selection Committees.

- (ii) (3) Selection Committees for College of Agriculture (Faculty position) -

EC:35:83:05.1(ii): The Council approved the constitution of the Selection Committees for selection of Readers and Lecturers in the College of Agriculture, Medziphema, Nagaland. The Council also RESOLVED that the Principal, College of Agriculture, will serve the Selection Committees as Head of the Department.

5:2 - Appointments/Creation/Option/Termination/etc.-

- (i) (1) Termination of services of Mrs. N. Maitra, Asstt. Librarian, NEHU.

EC:35:83:05.2(i): The Council after hearing the circumstances of the case, RESOLVED that the services of Mrs. N. Maitra, Asstt. Librarian, be terminated with effect from the date of expiry of study leave sanctioned to her.

The Council also RESOLVED that Mrs. Maitra be requested to refund the pay and allowances drawn by her during the period of her study leave, or deduct the same from the GPF/CPF account.

- (ii) Termination of lien of Dr(Miss)Rita Gupta, Lecturer, Department of Philosophy -

EC:35:83:05.2(ii): The Council RESOLVED to terminate the lien granted to Dr(Miss) Rita Gupta, Lecturer, Department of Philosophy, with effect from 6th November, 1981 as requested for by her.

- (iii) Re-option for NEHU Services by employees of Pachhunga University College, Aizawl -

EC:35:83:05.2(iii): The Council while reviewing the option for NEHU services by the employees of Pachhunga University College had RESOLVED that a final re-exercise of option be allowed to those teachers who are still serving PUC up-to 30th September, 1983 and that the teachers be informed telegraphically. The Council further RESOLVED that no option be considered after the stipulated date.

- (iv) Appointment of Shri I.Chuba Ao, OSD, Planning Deptt., Nagaland as Deputy Registrar, NEHU, on deputation basis -

EC:35:83:05.2(iv): The Executive Council while agreeing to the proposal of the University for appointment of Shri I. Chuba Ao, OSD, Planning Department, Government of Nagaland, as Deputy Registrar, NEHU, on deputation basis, had observed that the pay scale of Shri Ao is higher than the Deputy Registrar's pay scale at present.

Therefore, the Council RESOLVED that Shri Ao be offered the post of OSD in his own grade of pay scale plus 10% deputation allowance and the total of which should not exceed Rs. 1,800/-.

The Council also RESOLVED to create the post of OSD, and the post of Deputy Registrar be kept in obedience till such time the pay scale of the post is revised. Since the new pay scale is expected to be better than the O.S.D's post, the post of Deputy Registrar may be revived and the post of O.S.D. abolished as soon as the pay scale is made effective. Shri Ao's designation be then changed to Deputy Registrar.

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- (v) Appointment of Shri J.W.Smith, Officer-Incharge, Conference Section as Lecturer, Department of Economics, NEHU -

EC:35:83:05.2(v): The Executive Council agreed to absorb Shri J.W.Smith, former Vice-Principal, Pachhunga University College in some suitable administrative post in the NEHU Headquarters, Shillong and RESOLVED to accommodate him as OSD against the post of P.S. to the Vice-Chancellor in his own grade pay, until a suitable position is possible.

- (vi) Appointment of Heads in various Departments - Regarding -

EC:35:83:05.2(vi): The Council considered the appointment of the new Head of the Department of Political Science and RESOLVED to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to have a talk with Dr B.Pakem on the matter.

The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in appointing Prof. R.S.Lyngdohas Head of the Department of Khasi and approved the proposal to appoint Dr M.C.Pandey as Head, Department of Continuing Education.

- (vii) Term of appointment of Registrar -

EC:35:83:05.2(vii): The Chairman informed the Council that the term of deputation of Mrs. M.R.Mawlong, Registrar had already expired on 19th July, 1983. Since the Selection Committee for the post of Registrar could not be held due to the delay in nomination of Visitor's nominee, and in view of the fact that the Visitor's nominee is very essential, the Council after hearing the circumstances, RESOLVED that the term of deputation of Mrs. M.R.Mawlong, Registrar be extended for another three months with effect from the last extension.

- (viii) Appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellor in Mizoram Campus -

EC:35:83:05.2(viii): The Chairman informed the Council that Dr C.L.Anand will be relinquishing the charge of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Mizoram) where he proceeds to Delhi to join his new post. The Chairman also informed the Council that he had

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consulted Dr D.P.Singh, Head of the Department of English and a senior Professor of a relevant Department for the post of Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

The Council RESOLVED to accept the appointment of Prof. D.P.Singh as Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Mizoram Campus) and also decided that he will take charge of the Headship in the Department of English, Aizawl.

(ix) Creation of posts of Executive Engineers/
Assistant Engineers -

EC:35:83:05.2(ix): The Chairman informed the Council that the construction work of the new Campus at Shillong is going on vigorously and it is felt necessary that some posts of Executive Engineers/Assistant Engineers and other supporting staff are essential for development of Campus at Shillong.

The Council RESOLVED that some posts of Executive Engineers/Assistant Engineers be created, the qualifications of which, be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(b) The Council also RESOLVED that one post of Executive Engineer, each for Mizoram and Nagaland Campuses be created to look after the necessity in the Campuses.

(c) The Chairman informed the Council that some posts of Senior Stenographers and Lower Division Assistants for the Pro-Vice-Chancellors of Mizoram and Nagaland Campuses has been created as per norms laid down.

The Council noted the same.

(d) The Chairman informed the Council that the University has written to the University Grants Commission for creation of two posts of Assistant Registrar(Finance) for Mizoram and Nagaland Campuses. However, in view of the urgent necessity for the officers particularly in connection with the streamlining of the accounts, the posts be created in anticipation of UGC approval.

The Council RESOLVED that the posts be filled up immediately in the two Campuses.

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5:3: Leave/Deputation -

- (i) Representation of Dr R. Lalthantluanga - *LR*

EC:35:83:05.3(i): The Council RESOLVED that the matter be further re-examined by the Office.

- (ii) *✓* Extension of extra-ordinary leave of Dr P.K.Ganguly, Lecturer, DERS, NEHU - *AE*

EC:35:83:05.3(ii): The Council RESOLVED to grant extension of extra-ordinary leave for one more year with effect from 6th September, 1983, to Dr P.K.Ganguly, Lecturer, DERS, NEHU with the observation that Dr Ganguly be requested to join his duties after the expiry of the extra-ordinary leave.

- (iii) *✓* Grant of extra-ordinary leave to Dr B.Paken - Cancellation thereof - *AE*

EC:35:83:05.3(iii) The Council after considering the matter, RESOLVED that the extra-ordinary leave orders granting to Dr B.Paken stays, but in view of the circumstances of the case, the benefit of two increments for the period Dr Paken was on extra-ordinary leave be granted as a special case.

- (iv) *✓* Extension of extra-ordinary leave to Prof. R.G.Michael, Department of Zoology - *AE*

EC:35:83:05.3(iv): RESOLVED that extension of extra-ordinary leave for a period of one year with effect from 1st January, 1983, be granted to Prof. R.G.Michael, be approved.

RESOLVED further that Prof. Michael be informed that this is the final ^{and} last ~~and~~ extension and he be requested to join his duties after the expiry of the leave.

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5:4: Service Conditions/Financial
and Other Benefits :

- (i) Conveyance Allowance to the local Members for attending the meetings of the Boards of P.G. Studies and U.G. Studies -

EC:35:83:05.4(i): The Council considered the proposal for granting of conveyance allowance to the local members attending the various Authorities of the University including the Boards of Post-Graduate Studies and Under-Graduate Studies and RESOLVED that conveyance allowance @ Rs 15/- be paid to the members attending the various meetings of the Authorities.

The Council also considered the payment of honorarium to the experts attending the Selection Committees of the University and RESOLVED that an amount of Rs 100/- be paid to the experts as an honorarium.

The Council also RESOLVED to recommend to the Finance Committee for approval of granting of honorarium to the experts.

- (ii) Payment of leave salary or pension contribution in the case of teachers appointed on lien basis -

EC:35:83:05.4(ii): The Council RESOLVED that contribution towards leave salary and pension be paid by the University in the case of those teachers. to join the University on lien from other organisations.

5:5: Others :

- (i) A Commemorative Souvenir in memory of late Dr C.D.S. Devanesen, the first Vice-Chancellor of NEHU -

EC:35:83:05.5(i): The Council while welcoming the proposal as recommended by the Deans' Committee, RESOLVED to await the reply of Mrs. C.D.S.Devanesen.

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(ii) Use of NEHU Emblem -

EC:35:83:05.5(ii): RESOLVED that only Association/Unions/Persons acting on behalf of NEHU will be allowed to use the NEHU Emblem and that their individual emblem should not be identical with that of NEHU Emblem.

(iii) Reservation of seats for students of States and Union Territories in Central Universities -

EC:35:83:05.5(iii) The Council while accepting in principle the suggestions of the Ministry of Education & Culture, had observed that the Ministry be informed of the facilities and the courses to be started in the University.

(iv) Convocation -

EC:35:83:05.5(iv): The Council decided that the next Convocation of the University be fixed on the 11th of November, 1983. The Council authorised the Vice-Chancellor to nominate some eminent Scientists to be invited as Chief Guests during the Convocation.

The Council also decided that the next meeting of the Executive Council be held on the 9th November, 1983 and the Court be held on the 10th November, 1983.

The Council RESOLVED that the meeting of the Executive Council be held at Aizawl, Mizoram, after the above November meeting.

EC:35:83:05.5(v) The Chairman informed the Council that the first phase of the construction of the permanent Campus at Shillong was in progress and 25-30 buildings were already completed. He also informed the Council that by December, 1983, some of the staff will be shifted to the new Campus.


As regards the Campus at Nagaland, the Chairman informed the Council that two more teachers have been appointed and that the Nagaland Government has agreed to construct new buildings in the new site.

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EC:35:83:05.5(vi): The Chairman also informed the Council that the Principals' Conference which met at Shillong has recommended some changes in the examination schedule and as decided by the Executive Council, the State Governments have been requested to implement the new schedule. (1)

The Council felt that the three State Governments be given to the Academic Council the formal commitment for synchronising the University calendar to the School calendar system.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks from the Chair.


(Mrs. M. R. Mawlong)
Secretary,
Executive Council,
NEHU

LIST OF MEMBERS ATTENDING THE 35TH MEETING OF
THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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1. Dr B.D.Sharma,
Vice-Chancellor. in the Chair.
 2. Dr K.Chatterjee
 3. Prof. D.P.Singh
 4. Prof. R.R.Mishra
 5. Prof. K.K.Gupta
 6. Prof. H. Junjappa
 7. Shri K. Deka
 8. Fr. Paul Petta
 9. Shri Kiremwati
 10. Mrs. M.R.Mawlong Secretary
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