

NORTH-EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY

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MINUTES OF THE THIRTY SIX MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE 36TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The 36th Meeting of the Executive Council was held on Thursday the 6th October, 1983 at 14.00 hours in the Office Chamber of the Vice-Chancellor, NEHU, Shillong.

PRESENT:

A list of members participated in the meeting is appended as Appendix I.

The Chairman welcomed the following new members of the Council:

1. Prof. D.P. Singh, in his capacity as Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Mizoran Campus.
2. Prof. M. Miri, Dean, School of Social Sciences, NEHU.
3. Miss A.M. Marbaniang, Principal, Lady Keane Girls' College, Shillong.
4. Mr. Lalthangfala Sailo, Principal, Champhai College, Champhai.

The Chairman also introduced Prof. D.P. Singh as the new Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the Mizoran Campus in place of Professor C.L. Anand who has been deputed to the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India.

The Council then took up the discussion on the Agenda.

Item No.1. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 35TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1983.

EC:36:83:01: RESOLVED that the Minutes of the 35th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 1st September, 1983 already circulated be confirmed.

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The Chairman informed the Council that the Chancellor, will not be available for the Convocation as decided earlier to be held on the 11th November, 1983 since he is abroad and will be returning only ^{d: ring} December. As the Convocation is an annual event and due to shortage of time, the Council regretfully decided that the Convocation this year be held without the Chancellor on the 19th November, 1983 instead of 11th November, 1983 as decided earlier and that the meetings of the Executive Council and the Court be held on the 17th and 18th November, 1983 respectively. Further, the Council authorised the Vice-Chancellor to write to the invitæes as decided earlier.

Item No.2. ACADEMIC MATTERS:

1. Statutes/Ordinances/Etc.-

- (i) Amendment of Ordinance regarding services conditions, Salary scales etc., of teachers -

EC:36:83:02:1(i): The Council RESOLVED to approve the proposed amendment of Clause 9 of the Ordinance regarding Service Conditions, Salary and Scales, etc., of Teachers.

- (ii) Regulations relating to the B.Sc(Ag) 4th year Degree Programme offered in the College of Agriculture, NEFU -

EC:36:83:02:1(i): The Council RESOLVED to approve the Regulations relating to the B.Sc.(Ag.) 4th Year Degree Programme offered in the College of Agriculture, NEHU, as proposed by the Academic Council at its meeting held from 26th to 28th September, 1983.

Further, the Council RESOLVED to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to re-constitute the Planning Group of the College of Agriculture, Medziphema, and also change its

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composition, if necessary.

2:2: Opening of new Departments/Centres/Etc.-

- (i) Re-organisation of Sociology, Anthropology and opening of Human Biology -

EC:36:83:02:2(i): The Chairman explained in detail about the twin departments of Sociology and Anthropology. He informed that the University had a composite Department of Sociology and Anthropology. This was bifurcated. The University has been trying to persuade the Departments of Sociology and Anthropology to find out commonality. The resolution of the 18th Academic Council on the subject was read out. The Executive Council considered the subject and RESOLVED to accept the resolution of the Academic Council.

- (ii) Strengthening of Under-Graduate Education in the Region.

EC:36:83:02:2(ii): Over and above, what have been indicated in the Agenda Item, the Chairman gave a brief background about the need for strengthening the under-graduate education in the region and also the discussions and decisions arrived at at the meeting of the Academic Council held recently.

The Council agreeing with the resolution of the Academic Council resolved that the faculties of Social Sciences and Pure Sciences in the College of Agriculture may be strengthened. The College may start instruction for BA/B.Sc. Pass Course with effect from 1984 with one section each of 30 students for the Arts and Science streams. The subjects offered at B.A./B.Sc. shall be limited to those already being taught as part of the agricultural courses in the College viz., English, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Zoology, Botany, Statistics, Economics and Sociology and agriculture-oriented Non-Trad-

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tional Course like Agriculture, Horticulture, Pisciculture and Forestry. Two posts in each Department in Social Science, Mathematics and Pure Sciences may be created at the level of Reader/Lecturer according to the needs of each Department, one of which may be filled in 1984 and the other in 1985.

Further, the Chairman informed the Council that a formal Agenda Item in connection with the strengthening of Under-graduate education in the region for establishing a full-fledged Home Science faculty in the University was placed before the last meeting of the Academic Council, but due to limited time available, the matter could not be discussed.

However, the Chairman informed the Council that at present Home Science is taught as a subject only in the St. Mary's College. He also explained the necessity for setting up a full-fledged Home Science faculty in the University. The Chairman further suggested that till such time, perhaps, the University should handle the Home Science teaching at Honours level.

The Council welcomed and approved the above proposal with an observation that a formal approval of the Academic Council be obtained.

Item No. 3. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

3:1: Selection Committee -

- (i) Appointment of a faculty members on the recommendations of the various Selection Committees-

EC:36:83:03:1(i): The Chairman read out the recommendations of the various Selection Committees for the appointment to the different faculty Departments as shown below:

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Post-Graduate Departments:

- English The Council accepted the proposal of the Selection Committee in appointing Dr. J.C. Mahanti as Reader and Head of the Department of English for Aizawl Campus who was an applicant for Professor's post. The Council also decided that his pay be fixed after negotiation.
- Further, the Council approved the recommendation to appoint Mrs. T. Ao as Reader provided that her appointment would be effected after her Ph.D. result is announced.
- Geology The Council approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee in appointing Dr. P.O. Alexander (Metamorphics) and Dr. A. Aktar (Sedimentaries) against the posts of Reader in the Department of Geology, Kohima. The Council also decided that the pay of Dr. P.O. Alexander be fixed after negotiation.
- Sociology The Council approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee in appointing Dr. V. Xaxa and Dr. C. Nunthara as Readers in the Department of Sociology.
- Anthropology The Council approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee in appointing Dr. I.J.S. Jaswal as Reader in the Department of Anthropology.
- Philosophy The Council noted that the Selection Committee did not find any candidate suitable for the post of Reader.

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- Geography The Council approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee in appointing Dr. A.C. Mahantra and Dr. R. Gopalakrishnan as Readers subject to special assessment after one year as recommended by the Selection Committee.
- Education The Council approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee in appointing Dr. D.S. Babu, Dr. Sudhir Kumar and Dr. P.K. Ganguli as Readers. Further, the Council agreed to give advance increments to Dr. D.S. Babu and noted the recommendation of the Selection Committee for relaxation of one year experience in the case of Dr. Sudhir Kumar in view of his excellent performance and option for Aizawl. Dr. D.S. Babu being No. 1 may be appointed in Shillong.
- Contd. Education The Council noted that no candidate was found suitable by the Selection Committee.
- Linguistics The Council noted that no candidate was found suitable by the Selection Committee.
- Botany The Council noted that Selections were made for two posts of Reader in Botany. Since the actual vacancy is one, the Council approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee in appointing Dr. R.N. Gohil as Reader (Cytology). The Council further decided that the second appointment of the Reader may be made when a position is available.

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3:3: Leave/Deputation

- (i) To consider if the services of Shri C.R. Paul, Lecturer, Deptt. of Physics, PUC, Aizawl is to be terminated.

EC:36:83:03:3(i) The Council considered the case of Shri C.R. Paul, Lecturer, Department of Physics, Pachhunga University College, Aizawl whose application for the grant of Study Leave with effect from 1.7.82 had been refused and who was directed to resume his duty not later than 30th August, 1983. Since Shri Paul failed to resume his duty as directed the Council RESOLVED to terminate his services with effect from 1st July, 1982.

Item No. 3:2: Appointment /Termination/Upgradation/Etc.

- (i) Appointment of Heads in Various Departments.

EC:36:83:03:2(i): The Council considered the appointment of Heads to the various Academic Departments and RESOLVED to appoint them as under with effect from the date following the date of expiry of the present Headships:- for a term as specified in Statute 7(3):-

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| 1. | Department of Economics | ... | Prof. Shri Prakash. |
| 2. | -do- History | ... | Prof. S.N. Rao. |
| 3. | -do- English | ... | Prof. S. Homchaudhury |
| 4. | -do- Botany | ... | Prof. P.S. Ranakrishnan |
| 5. | -do- Bio-Chemistry | ... | Dr. R. Lalthantluanga |
| 6. | -do- Physics | ... | Prof. K.K. Gupta. |

However, the Council authorised the Vice-Chancellor to have a dialogue with the above mentioned teachers and finalise the matter.

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As regards to the Department of Chemistry, the Council authorised the Vice-Chancellor to have a dialogue with the Professors of the Department and finalise the appointment of its Head.

Item No. 3:2:(ii) Resignation of Shri B. Parasar, Lecturer, College of Agriculture, Medziphema.

EC:36:83:03:2(ii): The Council ratified the action of the Vice-Chancellor in accepting the resignation of Shri B. Parasar, Lecturer, College of Agriculture, Medziphema with effect from 31.10.83.

Item No. 3:3 Discipline

3:3:(i) To consider the case of disciplinary proceedings against Shri Artist Nongkhlaw, Duftry, in the Finance & Account Department, NEHU, Shillong.

EC:36:83:03:3(i) The Council considered the charges, the proceedings of the inquiry committee and the failure to comply to the show cause notice by Shri Artist Nongkhlaw, Duftry, Finance & Accounts Department, NEHU, Shillong. After a thorough consideration, the Council unanimously RESOLVED to remove Shri A. Nongkhlaw from the services of the University and that an amount of Rs. 2050.25 due from him be recovered.

Item No. 4: FINANCIAL MATTERS:

4:1 Over Draft Facilities with the State Bank of India, Shillong.

EC:36:83:04:1. The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in ordering to utilise the over-draft facilities on the State Bank as under:-

- 1) Rs. 7.71 lakhs against our fixed Deposit Receipt created out of the Eco-Development Project Fund.

- ii) Rs. 5 lakhs against the Government of India's approval.

The Council noted with serious concern the delay in the development of University Campuses in Shillong, Kohima, Medziphema and Aizawl. It was recalled that the prestige of the University had touched the lowest ebb when the foundation stone laide by the President of India in Kohima Campus was removed and the University land taken back by the Govt. of Nagaland for construction of their Secretariat Complex since the University was unable to make any start even after a long lapse of 3 years after the Foundation Laying Ceremony. The wide divergence between the promises by the authorities in Delhi and their translation in concrete terms has been one of the biggest irritants in the system. It is all these small matters, when not taken care of in due time, blow up and were responsible for the condition that prevailed earlier and the University passed through the darkest period. Even after the establishment of the University for 10 long years at Shillong and allocation of 1200 of most valuable land by State in the vicinity of Shillong town, the educational capital of the North East, the inability of the University to make even a beginning cannot be explained away in any way. The University took a decision to invite the President of India and Visitor of the University to lay the foundation stone in the Campus in April 1983 after full assurance by the UGC to accord sanction to the work and full financial support for its speedy execution. The Council regrets that the promise has not been kept which has placed the University in one of the most embarrassing situations. The University is honour-bound to execute the work which has been taken up using whatever resources it has. In the absence of effective response from the UGC, the University has been forced into a financial crisis. The Council, therefore, resolved that the UGC may be suitably moved and authorised the Vice-Chancellor to take necessary action to continue the work with full speed and not allow the prestige of the University to suffer on any account whatsoever.

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4:2: Payment of TA/DA to NIS: Patiala, Coaches attached to NEHU -

EC:36:83:04:2: The Council RESOLVED to pay TA/DA to NIS Coaches attached to NEHU for journeys performed while at NEHU be met by the University as per existing rules of NEHU.

Item No. 5 ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR:

(i) Examination Reforms -

EC:36:83:05(i) The Chairman informed the Council that in the last meeting of the Academic Council, an Agenda relating to the meeting of the Examination Committee constituted by the Principals in the Principals' Conference which was held on August 31, 1983, was discussed and RESOLVED to implement the same with the recommendation to the Executive Council for its approval. The Chairman gave a brief account of the discussion and the Council RESOLVED to approve the same.

The Chairman also informed the Council that in the last Academic Council meeting it was decided that in order to bring the uniformity of the Academic Calendar the Examinations for the year 1984 would be held twice that is in the month of March and in the month of December and that from the year 1985 new calendar of Examination viz., November/December will be followed.

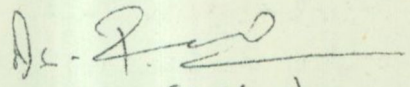
The Chairman apprised the Council that with the formation of the P.U. Board of Education system, the +2 stage will gradually go to the school system though this has not been mentioned anywhere in the Ordinance. The Council also agreed the suggestion that the University may recognise and permit some schools for imparting teaching at the +2 stage. The Council RESOLVED to

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approve the Amendment in the Ordinance as proposed by the Academic Council.

The Council further RESOLVED that the State Governments may also consider allowing some of the government schools to start '+2' classes using the new facility being extended by the University.

The Meeting ended at 16:30 hours with a vote of thanks from the Chair.


Secretary (Acting)

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LIST OF MEMBERS ATTENDING THE 36TH
MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

1. Dr B.D.Sharma,
Vice-Chancellor Chairman
 2. Shri Hranthanga
 3. Shri Lalthangfala Sailo
 4. Prof. K.K.Gupta
 5. Shri R. N. Dutta
 6. Shri Stetnel Roy
 7. Dr K. Chatterjee
 8. Prof. R.R.Mishra
 9. Prof. D.P.Singh
 10. A. M. Marbaniang
 11. Prof. Mrinal Miri
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