

(iii) Suggestion to start the M.Ed. Programme in the University.

The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya Department of Education, Shillong vid his D.O. No.RC/Per/2000/157, dated 10th, Oct. '2001 as placed at Annexure 'A' has drawn the attention of the University to the fact that Teacher training is an area which has hitherto not been given adequate priority in the policy of the State Government, resulting in recruitment of untrained School teachers at all levels, and therefore, has suggested to the University to explore the possibility to start the M.Ed. Programme.

In this connection an interim reply as made by the Vice-Chancellor to the Commissioner & Secretary is placed as Annexure 'B'.

The above matter was placed in the 66th meeting of the Academic Council wherein the Council resolved to accept the same in principle and decided that necessary steps in this direction may be taken only after the Education Department has the proper infrastructure for the purpose.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

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Annexure-'A'

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D.O.NO.RC/PER/2000/157

Dated 10th October 01

Dear Prof Miri,

Teacher's training is an area, which has hitherto not been given adequate priority in the policy of the State Government. This has resulted in large scale recruitment of untrained school teachers at all levels. In the last review meeting in Delhi it transpired that the position of Meghalaya is one of the worst in the country. The National Council of Teachers Education (NCTE) has taken a serious note of this and insisted that the State should henceforth only appoint trained teachers.

We have set up three(3) DIETs and four(4) more are in the pipeline. The NCTE has recommended that the eligibility criteria of the lecturers should be M Ed plus Masters degree in a school subject plus 5 years of teaching experience. We find it to our dismay that NEHU does not have the facility for imparting M Ed. Education in the State. Consequently, we are compelled to reduce the eligibility criteria. This will have allongterm implication because the DIETs are meant for training up the Elementary school teachers.

Under the circumstances, may I kindly request you to kindly explore the possibility of commencing M Ed course at NEHU at an early date so that we can depute our DIET Lecturers for this course. Infact I would urge you to kindly see that as far as possible our local candidates of Meghalaya receive the M Ed course covering both in-service and pre-service candidates.

I shall grateful for having your considered views on this matter.

With personal regards.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(Ranjan Chatterhee)

Prof Mrinal Miri
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Mrinal Miri
Vice-Chancellor

No:NEHU-VCF 22-1/2001-149●
29th October, 2001

Dear Shri Chatterjee,

Thank you very much for your letter of 10th October, 2001. We welcome your suggestion that the University should start the M Ed programme in addition to the programme of M A in Education. However, any proposal for a new academic programme, will have to go through the various bodies of the University and finally must have the approval of the University Grants Commission. We shall start the process immediately and hopefully shall see some result in the near future.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Mrinal Miri)

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Copy to :- The Registrar, NEHU, Shillong, along with the original letter from Shri Chatterjee. This may please be placed before the ensuing AC meeting.

Sd/-

(Mrinal Miri)

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5:6- Establishment of new Deptts. / Centres/ Courses

(i) Establishment of a Women's Cell in the University.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(i): The Council considered the draft Ordinance on the establishment of a Women's Cell in the University and **RESOLVED** to approve the same as per Annexure 'C'. The Committee will also frame a Regulation on the working of the Cell.

(ii) Request from the Principal, St. Anthony's College, for introduction of PG Courses in Bio-Technology, Business Administration and in Computer Science or to grant permission to introduce PG Classes in these subjects in the College.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(ii): The Council considered the request of request from the Principal, St. Anthony's College for introduction of PG Courses in Bio-Technology, Business Administration and in Computer Science or to grant permission to introduce PG Classes in these subjects in the College and **RESOVLED** to regret the same.

(iii) Suggestion to start M.Ed. Programme in the University.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(iii): The Council considered the suggestion of the Government of Meghalaya to start M.Ed. Course in the University and **RESOLVED** that though the proposal may be accepted in principle necessary steps in this direction may be taken only after the Education Department has a proper infrastructure for the purpose.

(iv) Proposal regarding opening branches of Indian Universities in Vietnam.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(iv): The Council considered the proposal of the Association of Indian Universities to open a Campus at Vietnam and resolved that the matter be kept in abeyance for the time being.