(iv) PROJECT PROPOSAL OF DR.SURENDRA SINGH GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT.

Dr.Surendra Singh Geography Deptt.has submitted the project proposal entitled"Run off and soil Erosion in the Globally Extreme Humid Area in the Cherrapunjee Refion (Meghalaya) which the teacher informed that the project was under the collaboration under the Indo-Polish Research Collaboration with the Scientist of PAS Krakow Poland who visited the University under the INSA during the last three years for visit of one month duration and expenses was borne by the INSA.

Then the project proposal of Dr.Surendra Singh ANNEXURE 'A' has been placed to the Deans Committee which was held on 2.6.99 since there is a provision under the UGC guidlines "Unassinged grant " ANNEXURE 'B',and as per the Minutes of the Deans Committee ANNEXURE 'C' the committee RESOLVED to consider the financial assistant for Rs.10,000 only for the preparation of maps,cartowork and survey matter and soil lab,chemical for his Indo-polish project.Besides,the Committee also decided to write to UGC for clarification if from Unassinged grant the expenditure could be met for local,national and International guest teachers/ Experts,like contingencies for coordination of the programme, local hospitality(accommodation and transport) as submitted by the teacher since there is no indication in the guidlines.

Besides,the Committee also decided that as per the New Guidlines,of the UGC for Minor Research Project-the University may constitute a 'Research Committee" with representative from Major faculty/Department which will invite and monitor research.

The matter was placed before 61st meeting of the Academic Council and the Council considered the appointment of a Research Academic Committee for minimum projects under the Unassigned Grant and RESOLVED to nominate the following for a term of two years.

1. Prof.J.B. Bhattacharjee	-	Chairman
2. Prof.R.P.Sharma	-	Member
3. Prof.K. Chatterjee	-	-do-
4. Prof.S.K. Mukharjee	-	-do-
5.Pro. R.K. Rai	-	-do-
6. Prof.M.Lalwani	-	-do-

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

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Annexure-"A"

Indo-Polish Collaboration Programme Project Proposal

1. Title of the Project: Runoff and Soil Erosion in the Globally Extreme Humid Area in the Cherrapunjee Region (Meghalaya) Plateau.

2. Objectives:

The main objective of the present task is to evaluate runoff and soil loss in relation to rainfall intensity, lithology and land-use in the most humid area of the world, Cherrapunjee region. Three major components of geomorphology and hydrology, namely, lithological structure, hydrological conditions and landuse practices will be analysed to evaluate the work of runoff and soil to check the erosion.

3. Scientific and Technical Background:

In order to fulfil the above cited criteria and objectives of the present proposed study, a micro-watershed of about 250 ha size has been chosen to test the validity of lithological, hydrological and landuse facts of the Cherrapunjee region. A meterrological and hydrological obseratory will be installed with the help of Polist Academy. Hourly, daily, seasonal and annual data of hydro and meteorological parameters will be generated continuously for 3 years.

The static aspects of representative micro-watershed like hypsometric mapping. landuse survey and riverprofiling have already been completed with the help of departmental facilities. Later on, collected and generated data will be processed and a technical report would be prepared.

4. Plan of work:

The University has already agreed upon the Research collaboration and signed an MoU specific plan of visit of scientists from both the countries our team would visit Poland during summer 1999 for 40 days to prepare preliminary report of the work (A copy of agreement is enclosed herewith Annexure-I). The tenure of the projects is 3 years.

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5. Available Resources including manpowe ;

The State Govt, Deptt. of Sc. & Technology, Shillong has agreed to provide manpower for collection of data from the catchment. The apparatus and observatory heavy equipments are being provided by the grant Commission, Polish Academy of Sciences, Warsan, Poland. However, there is a need of a grant to run the project smoothly.

6. Proposed Expenses :

(1) Contingencies & TA/DA Rs. 16,000/-

Expenses towards the contingencies for coordination of programme, local hospitality at the time of stay the Polish team and our frequent visit to Charrapunjee during the entire tenure of project (TA/DA for local members of the team may be claimed from the Head).

(2) Lab.

Expenses :

Preparation of maps, Carto Work and survey material and soil lab chemicals etc. Rs. 10,000/-

Rs. 26,000/-

(Rupees twenty six Thousand) Only.

N.B : The amount may be granted from the Unassigned grant for research work.

Sd/-

Surendra Singh ,
Principal Investigator,
and Program Coordinator,
Deptt. of Geography,
NEHU, Shillong .

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ANNEXURE-'B'

GROUP D : SUPPORT FOR MINOR RESEARCH PROJECTS : UPTO 20% OF THE TOTAL ALLOCATION.

1. Universities may provide assistantce from Rs.15,000/- to Rs.50,000/- for research in sciences, humanities, including languages and social sciences in three instalments as mentioned below:

i) 40% at the time of sanction.

ii) 50% on submission of progress report.

iii) 10% on submission of manuscripit completion report.

2. The projects should not exceed normally 2 years, but in no case should it go beyond 3 years.

3. Preference may be given to Readers and Lacturers for undertaking Minor Research Projects.

4. The University may constitute a Research Acadimic Committee for Minor Research Projects with representatives from major Faculties/ Departments. Such committees will invite proposals and momitor research.

5. It should meet atleast once in six months to review ongoing projects.

6. The Committe will sanction the proposals and use expert advice where required.

7. Teachers seeking research support under this programme are required to submit a detailed research proposal. Only such proposals should be accepted and screened as per above procedures.

8. External experts may be paid on honorarium of Rs. 200/- for evaluation of research proposals sent to them.

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ANNEXURE-'C'

EXTRACT

Minutes of the 88th meeting of the Deans Committee held on June, 2, 1999.

Sub:- Project proposal of Dr. Surendra Singh for a period of three years under Indo-Polish Research collaboration.

In consideration to the above subject matter, the Committee RESOLVED to consider the financial assistance for Rs 10,000/- only for preparation of maps, carto-work and survey matter and soil lab. chemicals to Dr. S. Singh, Geography Department for his Indo-Polish project. Further, the Committee decided that the office will have to write to the UGC for its clarification, if from the unassigned grant the expenditure could be met for local, national & international Guest teachers/Experts, like contigencies for coordination of programme, local hospotality (payment for accommodation and transport).

Also the committee decides that as per the indication of the new UGC guidelines support for Minor Research Project the University may constitute a "Research Academic Committee" with representatives from Major faculty/departments which will invite proposal and minor research, where this matter be referred to the Academic Council to constitute the said Committee.

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		2. Dr. BD Chinnara Education Deptt. (Mizoram Campus).
6.	Mamit College, Aizawl	1. Dr. C. Lalkima Public Admn. Deptt.(Aizawl).
		2. Dr. Thangchungnunga Economics Deptt., (Aizawl).
7.	Kazi & Zaman College, West Garo Hills	1. Dr. KC Baral English Deptt.(Shillong).
		2. Dr. D. Nayak Geography Department(Shillong).
8.	North- Eastern College, Mizoram.	1. Dr. RN Prasad Public Admn.Deptt.(Mizoram Campus).
		2. Dr. Lalrintluanga Public Admn.Deptt.(Mizoram Campus).
9.	Tura Govt. College, West Garo Hills.	1. Dr. CR Marak Garo Deptt.(Tura Campus).
		2. FK Marak Garo Deptt. (Tura Campus).
10.	St. Mary's College, Shillong.	1. Prof. AC Sinha Sociology Deptt. (Shillong Campus)
		2. AK Mishra Botany Deptt. (Shillong Campus).

(iv) Project proposal of Dr. Surendra Singh, Geography Department.

EC:103:99:5:8: (iv): The Council considered the appointment of a Research Academic Committee for minor Projects under the Unassigned Grant and RESOLVED that the following may constitute a Committee as recommended by the Academic Council, for a period of two years.

1.	Prof. JB Bhattacharjee	Chairman
2.	Prof. RP Sharma	Member
3.	Prof. K. Chatterjee	-do-
4.	Prof. HK Mukherjee	-do-
5.	Prof. RK Rai	-do-
6.	Prof. M. Lalwani	-do-

(v) Proposal of Prof. Imdad Hussain, Director of NEHU Publications to sanction out of 30% Publication grant under UGC Unassigned Grant and the decision thereof.

EC:103:99:5:8: (v): The Council considered the proposal of the Publication Cell to allocate 30% of the Unassigned Grant to the Cell for the purpose of publications of teachers and RESOLVED to approve the same. The Publication Cell should also provide funds to individual teachers who wish to have their papers published elsewhere. The proposal should however, be cleared by the Deans' Committee.

(vi) For looking into the appointment /recruitment of the Project Staff in the DRS and SAP etc., including Project Work Schemes- Recommending measures thereof.

EC:103:99:5:8: (vi): The Council considered the appointment / recruitment of Project Staff in the DRS, SAP, Projects etc., programmes of the Departments / Centres and RESOLVED to accept the recommendations of the Deans' Committee and as approved by Academic Council.

Item No.6 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

6:1- Selection Committee

(i) Panel of names of Experts for Selection Committee for faculty Selection- Deptt. of Khasi.

EC:103:99:6:1: (i): The Council considered the Panel of Experts for Selection Committee for the Department of Khasi and RESOLVED to approve the same.

(ii) Recommendation of the Selection Committee for placement in the Senior Scale of the following.

EC:103:99:6:1: (ii): The Council considered the placement of Ms. Zothankimi, Lecturer in English (PUC) in the Senior Scale and RESOLVED to approve the same.