

- c) He has not been attending any School Board meetings, as per his own admission, in the last nine years. Even when the Centre for Science Education was re-designated back as a 'Centre' and placed under the School of Physical Sciences, he attended only the last meeting held on 30th October, 2006 under protest.

The Executive Council, therefore, does not find any reason / ground for revoking the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in appointing Professor K. Ismail as Dean, School of Physical Sciences.

(The Draft Minutes of this item was approved by Professor R.Lalthantluanga).

ITEM NO.7

FINANCIAL MATTERS

7:1- Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of the 51st Meeting of the Finance Committee.

EC:126:2006:7:1:(i): The Council considered the Minutes of the 51st Meeting of the Finance Committee and the proposal for Revised Estimates 2006-07 and Budget Estimates 2007-08 and **RESOLVED** to approve the same.

7:5- Annual Account/Annual Report

(i) Audited Annual Accounts for the year 2004-2005.

EC:126:2006:7:5:(i): The Council considered the audited Annual Accounts for the year 2004-2005 and **noted** the same.

(ii) Annual Report for the year 2005-2006.

EC:126:2006:7:5:(ii): The Council considered the Annual Report for the year 2005-2006 approved by 76th Academic Council and **RESOLVED** to approve the same.

Agenda Item for the Executive Council

Sub: Minutes of the 51st meeting of the Finance Committee and the proposal for Revised Estimates 2006-07 and Budget Estimates 2007-08.

The minutes of the 51st meeting of the Finance Committee held on 11th November, 2006 in the Conference Hall of the Guest House, NEHU, is placed at **Annexure – A** for perusal and approval of the Council.

Besides others the Finance Committee has approved the proposals for the Revised Estimates 2006-07 and Budget Estimates 2007-08, summed as under:

	<u>Revised Estimates for 2006-07</u>	<u>Budget Estimates for 2007-08</u>
a) Salary Component	Rs. 3035.40 lac	Rs. 3511.68 lac
b) Pension etc	Rs. 410.00 lac	Rs. 584.00 lac
c) Non-salary Component	Rs. 1816.10 lac	<u>Rs. 1939.64 lac</u>
d) One Time Special Assistance	<u>Rs. 491.93 lac</u>	
	Rs. 5773.43 lac	Rs. 6035.32 lac

The abstracts of the Estimated Receipts and Budget proposals are place at **Annexure- B and C** for perusal of the Council.

The matter is placed before the Council as required under clause (vi) of Statute 13.

MINUTES OF THE 51ST MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON
THE 11TH NOVEMBER 2006 AT 4.00 P.M. AT THE CONFERENCE HALL OF NEHU
GUEST HOUSE, SHILLONG

Members present :

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| 1. Prof. Pramod Tandon, Vice Chancellor, NEHU, Shillong | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. S.S. Khare, Pro Vice Chancellor, NEHU, Tura Campus | Member |
| 3. Prof. R. Lalthantluanga, Deptt. of Bio-Chemistry, NEHU, Shillong | Member |
| 4. Prof. E. D. Thomas, Deptt. of Economics, NEHU, Shillong | Member |
| 5. Shri T.K. Hangzo, Financial Adviser, N.E.C., Govt. of India, Shillong | Member |
| 6. Shri P.S. Chakraborty, Under Secretary, M.H.R.D., Govt. of India, New Delhi | Member representative of Jt. Secretary, MHRD |
| 7. Prof. Darlando Khathing, Finance Officer, NEHU, Shillong | Ex-Officio Secretary |

Shri S K Ray, Financial Adviser, M.H.R.D. and Dr. R K Chauhan, Offg. Financial Adviser, UGC, could not attend the meeting due to their pre-occupations.

The Chairman welcomed all the members to the 51st meeting of the Finance Committee of the University and expressed sincere gratitude for attending the same. The Chairman then requested the members to introduce themselves.

Before initiating deliberations on the agenda item, the Chairman informed the Committee of the requirement of the University Grants Commission contained in letter No.F.7-5/2004(NIC) dt. 14.9.04 received from the then Coordinator (New Initiative) and Financial Adviser, UGC, with regard to the suggestive format to ensure comprehensive and meaningful deliberation on all matters relating to the financial management to be followed by the Central Universities while holding the meeting of the Finance Committees. Accordingly, the Chairman apprised the Committee of the development and brief achievements in the academic field over the past one year. The Committee was informed that apart from the three new departments; i.e. the Department of Law, Department of Bio-technology & Bio-informatics, Department of Statistics, the University has also started the School of Technology (Department of Information Technology, Electronics & Communication Engineering and Basic Science and Social Sciences) at Shillong Campus and Department of Management at Tura. The Chairman also informed the

Committee that the foundation stone for establishment of a Permanent Campus at Tura was laid by his Excellency Shri M.M. Jacob, Governor of Meghalaya on 17th October 2006. As first phase of the construction program, Buildings for 4 academic departments, Boys and Girls Hostels, Library and Administrative Block are underway.

Further, the Chairman informed the Committee that the University has been placed with the status of "University with Potential for Excellence" which was possible only due to the concerted effort and relentless service put in by the faculty members, students and non teaching staff of the University. The Committee was also informed that an amount of Rs.30.00 crores has been allocated towards developmental activities under this scheme. But, due to the delay in according technical approval by the University Grants Commission in execution of the work, the University has not been able to start utilizing the fund. The Committee was also apprised that the UGC has allocated an amount of Rs.30.00 crores as additional grant under the X Plan and the projects such as Construction of (100 + 100) seated Hostel for PG students , Link Road to Mawiong, Construction of Buildings for Center of studies etc, Administrative Building Annex (for Examination Deptt. etc), Construction of Health Center & quarters for Doctors & Staff, Guest House Extension, Construction of Non Teaching Staff quarters, Campus Development (widening roads, services), Construction of Commercial Complex & Community Hall, Sports Facilities are in progress. It was informed that due to certain unforeseen reasons not attributable to the University, the progress of the building projects is little behind the expected schedule.

The Chairman also apprised the Committee that the delay in furnishing the audited Annual Account to the Ministry is a matter of concern to the University. Agreeing to the remarks of the member representing the MHRD that the laying of Accounts in the floor of the House as per scheduled programme is a mandatory requirement, the Chairman informed the Committee that the delay is not on the part of the University. The member representing the MHRD expressed the urgency of placing the Annual Account in the floor of the house and requested that the Annual Accounts (Hindi version) pertaining to the financial 2004-05 be sent to the MHRD along-with the delay statement expeditiously so that the same are tabled in the winter session of the Parliament which would begin from the last of week of November. Further, the member appealed that the Chairman may also simultaneously exert pressure at personal level so that the Audit Report pertaining to the financial year 2005-06 is received from P.A.G (Audit) without further delay.

The Chairman thereafter initiated the agenda item for deliberation.

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the proceedings of the 50th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 15th July, 2006.

The Committee RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the 50th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 15th July 2006 since no comments were received from the members.

Item No. 2: Reporting Items (on the action taken)

2.1. Purchase of Land at Guwahati :

The Committee noted the action taken by the University. In reply to the query raised by the member representing the MHRD with regard to the action plan for construction of Guest House at Guwahati, the Chairman informed the Committee that the process is on and the work is likely to be completed by the end of the current fiscal.

2.2. VSAT facilities at Tura Campus:

The Chairman informed the Committee that the present arrangement of using commercial lines for providing accessibility for the increased terminals is feasible in the existing building.. Meanwhile, upgradation of the existing facility is also a requirement of the Campus. The Committee having observed that the proposal for Rs.10.60 lac towards enhancement of bandwidth connectivity has already been included for allocation under 'One Time Special Assistance', under Item No.2.3, the same may be discussed later.

2.3. One Time Special Assistance : (a) Civil work (b) E-Governance – NEHU Management system (c) Voice & data network (d) On Line Public Access Catalogue (e) Condemnation of Offset Printing Machine (f) Computer Revolving Fund and (g) Library Furniture & computerization :

The Chairman informed the Committee that the proposal of the University towards 'One Time Special Assistance' is of explicit nature and mainly towards improvisation works, for which the item-wise break-up has been proposed. The Committee, after deliberation at length RESOLVED to recommend an additional allocation of Rs.491.93 lac in principle along-with the Revised Estimates for 2006-07.

Item No. 3 : To consider the Revised Estimates for 2006-07 and Budget Estimates for 2007-08.

The Chairman informed the Committee with concern that the recommendation of the Finance Committee is not adhered-to by the UGC while releasing the grant. The Chairman invited the attention of the members on the statistics showing the recommendation made by the Finance Committee on year to year basis vis-à-vis the allocation of fund finally made available by the UGC from the financial year 2003-04 onwards, substantiating the curtailment of fund. The members were of the unanimous opinion that the recommendation of the Finance Committee is non-negotiable provided the computation of the fund requirement towards recurring (maintenance) cost of the University is projected on an actual basis and realistic manner. The Committee also noted with dismay that the allocation under 'Salary component' as well as 'Pension & Retirement benefit' has also been curtailed by UGC.

The Committee after a threadbare discussion RESOLVED to approve the Revised Estimates for 2006-07 at Rs.5773.43 lac (including the element under One Time Special Assistance) and the Budget Estimates for 2007-08 at Rs.6035.32 lac as per detailed break up below.

	<u>Revised Estimates for 2006-07</u>	<u>Budget Estimates for 2007-08</u>
(a) Salary Component	Rs. 3055.40 lac	Rs. 3511.68 lac
(b) Pension, etc.	Rs. 410.00 lac	Rs. 584.00 lac
(c) Non Salary Component	Rs. 1816.10 lac	Rs. 1939.64 lac
(d) One Time Special Assistance	Rs. 491.93 lac	-
Total	Rs. 5773.43 lac	Rs. 6035.32 lac

The Committee observed that taking base of the actual expenditure incurred during the financial year 2005-06 and 10 per cent mandatory increase thereof, along-with the provision for anticipated posts to be filled in during the remaining period of the current fiscal, the proposed estimates towards Salary component under the Revised Estimates for 2006-07 exhibits a realistic calculation and justified.

As regards the proposal of the University under Non Salary component, the Committee RESOLVED that a case be made to UGC with proper justification so that the Commission does not impose any curtailment of fund during the financial year 2006-07.

The Committee also observed that the University has projected the up-to-date expenditure upto the end June 2006 for determining the Revised Estimates for 2006-07. The Chairman informed the Committee that the University is continuing with the old practice when there was only one meeting of the Finance Committee convened in July/August of every year for finalization of the Revised Estimates. The Committee RESOLVED that since the meeting of the Finance Committee is convened twice in a financial year and exclusively in November for finalization of the Revised Estimates, the position of up-to-date expenditure upto September of every year be provided so as to have more accurate and justified proposal.

Item No. 4 : Utilization of X Plan grant

The Chairman informed the Committee that the University has awarded works to the tune of Rs.3350.00 lac against the UGC sanctions under the X Plan. The Chairman also informed the Committee that the progress of the building projects are little behind the expected schedule due to unforeseen reasons such as labour problems and delay in according approval by the State government in felling of trees, which are considered beyond the control of the University. The Chairman informed the Committee that all out efforts would be made so as to complete the works within the target date. However, the Committee was informed that in the event, the University is not in a position to complete the work as per schedule, the University may be allowed to keep a contingent plan ready establishing priorities. The Committee RESOLVED to approve the proposal of the University in principle and advised that the University may explore all possibilities to avoid resorting to contingent plan so that all the construction projects are completed within the current fiscal and the contingent plan should be the last resort.

Item No. 5 : Any other item with the permission from the Chair

5.1. Air Conditioners & Photocopier of Library :


Although this item was placed for discussion, but the same was dropped by the Chairman with the advice that feasibility be explored to meet this liability out of the grant of Rs.135.00 lac approved tentatively under One Time Special Assistance towards NEHU Library.

5.2. Accounting policies on adoption of Accounts on accrual basis :

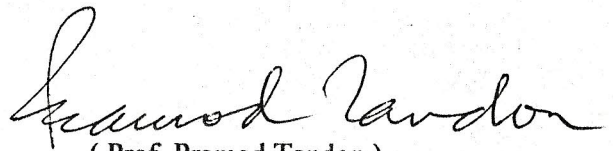
The Chairman took up the agenda item for deliberation and informed the Committee that the University had constituted a Working Group to prepare a white paper on the policy for implementation of the accounts on accrual basis.

The Committee observed that the Annual Accounts of the University is still being prepared on cash basis. The Committee RESOLVED that the Annual Account for the year 2006-07 be prepared on accrual basis without fail based on the accounting standard set by the Government of India as well as consistent with other Central Universities as far as possible.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chair.



(Prof. D T Khathing)
Member Secretary & Finance Officer
N.E.H.U., Shillong



(Prof. Pramod Tandon)
Chairman & Vice Chancellor
N.E.H.U., Shillong

ABSTRACT OF THE PROVISION OF RECEIPTS UNDER REVISED ESTIMATES FOR 2006-07 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2007-08
[PART - I (NON PLAN)]

[Figures expressed in lacs]							
Sl. No.	Particulars	Revised Estimates 2005-06	Actuals for 2005-06	Budget Estimates 2006-07	Actuals upto 30.6.06 (Prov)	Revised Estimates 2006-07 (Prov)	Budget Estimates 2007-08 (Prov)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1 UNIVERSITY CAMPUS : SHILLONG							
I.	Grants & Donations						
	a) Income from Investment	7.09	1.71	7.09	0	1.71	1.71
	b) Donations	0	0	0	0	0	0
	c) Contributions	0	0	0	0	0	0
	d) Grants	0	0	0	0	0	0
II.	<i>Fees from students</i>						
	a) Academic	34.21	25.60	34.21	4.31	25.60	25.60
	b) Examination	215.48	211.87	212.20	11.14	211.87	211.87
	c) Others	12.86	7.93	12.86	1.39	7.93	7.93
III.	<i>Hostels</i>	4.58	4.59	4.58	2.24	4.59	4.59
IV.	<i>Building, Land & Other properties</i>						
	a) Building	0.63	0.80	0.63	0	0.80	0.80
	b) Land	0.09	0.03	0.09	0.01	0.03	0.03
	c) Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
V.	<i>Publications</i>	1.36	1.23	1.36	0.17	1.23	1.23
VI.	<i>Other Departments</i>	0.37	2.91	0.37	0.85	2.91	2.91
VII.	<i>Miscellaneous Receipts</i>	0	0.26	0	0	0.26	0.26
VIII.	<i>Miscellaneous Recoveries</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	276.67	256.93	273.39	20.11	256.93	256.93
2 UNIVERSITY CAMPUS : TURA							
	a) Internal Receipt	6.61	4.07	6.61	2.18	4.07	4.07
	Grand Total	283.28	261.00	280.00	22.29	261.00	261.00
3	Grants payable by UGC for maintenance	4672.95	4228.12	4070.00	1017.5	5020.50	5774.32
GRAND TOTAL (Non Plan)		4956.23	4489.12	4350.00	1039.79	5281.50	6035.32

ABSTRACT OF THE REVISED ESTIMATES FOR 2006-07 AND BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR 2007-08 UNDER PART - I (NON PLAN)

[Figures expressed in lacs]

Sl. No.	Particulars	Revised Estimates 2005-06	Actuals for 2005-06	Budget Estimates 2006-07	Actuals upto 30.6.06 (Prov)	Revised Estimates 2006-07	Budget Estimates 2007-08
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
I.	ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES						
1	Salaries						
	(a) Non Teaching	1608.90	1601.60	1319.61	520.85	1682.00	1766.00
	(b) Teaching	1121.06	936.46	1215.39	329.09	1196.90	1426.08
	Total (Salaries)	2729.96	2538.06	2535.00	849.94	2878.90	3192.08
2	Pension & Retirement Benefits	350.00	275.05	300.00	30.67	410.00	584.00
3	Obligatory Establishment Charges	209.30	236.14	115.05	75.98	161.50	167.75
4	Provision for filling up of vacant posts under Non Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	Merger of Plan posts to Non Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	129.00
	Total (Establishment Charges)	3289.26	3049.25	2950.05	956.59	3450.40	4072.83
II.	NON ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES						
1	Common Service & General Charges	685.35	743.00	603.26	183.35	762.41	772.10
2	Other Miscellaneous Items	30.69	39.67	32.45	19.97	36.35	38.85
3	Other Charges of the Administrative Deptt.	238.61	150.48	192.27	29.02	258.27	267.79
4	Other Charges of the Teaching Deptt.	138.82	70.96	134.46	67.21	198.33	244.92
	Total (Non Establishment Charges)	1093.47	1004.11	962.44	299.55	1255.36	1323.66
III.	COMMON CAPITAL CHARGES						
1	Common Capital Charges	273.5	252.69	203.27	42.61	280.00	301.50
	GRAND TOTAL : UNIV. CAMPUS : SHILLONC	4656.23	4306.05	4115.76	1298.75	4985.76	5697.99
IV.	Maintenance Cost of the University Campus at Tura (Estt, Non Estt & Capital)	300.00	241.71	234.24	77.59	295.74	337.33
	GRAND TOTAL - NON PLAN A/C	4956.23	4547.76	4350.00	1376.34	5281.50	6035.32