

NORTH-EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY
Shillong - 793 001

TWENTYNINTH MEETING
of the
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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The 29th meeting of the Executive Council was held at the University's Administrative Building, Shillong, on the 12th March, 1982. The list of members attending the meeting is appended as Appendix - 1.

WELCOME:

The Council welcomed Fr N. J. Kenny as a new member to the Council in place of Fr. Joseph.

The Council also placed on record its appreciation to Fr. Joseph for his valuable contributions to the development of the University.

APBLOGIES:

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

1. Shri K. N. Channa
2. Prof. T. M. Jacob
3. Shri M. R. Kolhatkar
4. Prof. D. P. Singh
5. Shri T. R. Jayaraman
6. Director of Education, Aizawl.

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Item No. 1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 28th
MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON
5th DECEMBER, 1981 :

EC:29:82:01A: A question was raised about the format of the Minutes of the Executive Council. After considerable discussion on merits of different formats, the Council RESOLVED that the Minutes should primarily record the resolutions of the Council. In suitable cases the main feature of the discussion could also be recorded to give the trend of thinking on a subject without mentioning the names. Shri Vicki Kapoor, however, desired that his dissent may be recorded since he held that the Minutes should contain full record of the proceedings of the Council.

The Council further RESOLVED to confirm the Minutes of the meeting.

EC:29:82:01B: The Chairman informed the Council that there was an omission in informing the Council about the panel of experts for selection of Professor in History at their last meeting. The panel was given by the Head of the Department for the posts of Readers and Lecturers. The Vice-Chancellor took an independent decision to draw up the list of experts for the panel of the post of Professor in which, however, two experts from the other panel were also included.

Since there was an omission in the presentation of facts, the Council were requested to re-consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for appointment of Professor in History in the light of the facts placed before them.

The Council RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Selection Committee for appointment to the post of Professor in the Department of History be accepted and the earlier decision of the Council vide Resolution No. EC:28:81:47, dated 5th December, 1981, be substituted by the following:

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Substitute the following in place of the earlier decision at Page 28 (second para) of the Minutes :

"The Council RESOLVED to accept the recommendation of the Selection Committee for appointment of Professor in the Department of History."

Item No. 2 REGARDING PAYMENT ARISING OUT OF THE
SUDDEN DEATH OF (LATE) DR S.C.BANWAR,
ACTING VICE-CHANCELLOR, NEHU :

EC:29:82:02: The Council while discussing this Item found that while enhancing the ex-gratia payment to the family of (Late) Dr. S.C.Banwar, from Rs 1,50,000/- to Rs 2,00,000/- (vide Resolution No. EC:28:81:02), dated 5th December, 1981) did not take into consideration the amount of Rs 20,000/- which was paid just after the death of Dr Banwar to meet the immediate requirement of the family. Therefore, the University has made a total payment of Rs 2,20,000/- to the family of (Late) Dr S.C.Banwar, besides other expenses.

The Council was also informed that an amount of Rs 6,747/- was paid to the family of (Late) Dr S.C.Banwar for their travel from Shillong to Hazaribagh as decided by the emergency meeting of the Council held on 2nd November, 1981 and approved by the Council in its meeting held on the 5th December, 1981.

The Council RESOLVED to approve the payment made by the University.

Item No. 3 INVESTMENT PATTERN OF CP/GP FUND :

EC:29:82:03: The Council considered the matter and RESOLVED that the investment pattern of Contributory Provident/General Provident Fund be followed as prescribed by the Government of India.

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Item No. 4 ADVANCES FROM CONTRIBUTORY PROVIDENT/
GENERAL PROVIDENT FUND :

EC:29:82:04: The Council while considering the question as to whether the sanctioning authority was to take an undertaking from the employees applying for advances from CP/GP Fund **RESOLVED** that relevant rules of the Government of India be followed on such cases.

Item No. 5 OPENING OF A SEPARATE SAVINGS BANK
ACCOUNT WITH THE PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK,
SHILLONG FOR GRANTS RECEIVED FROM THE
N.E.C. UNDER THE N.E.C. PLAN SCHEMES :

EC:29:82:05: The Chairman informed the Council that the North Eastern Council has released an amount of Rs 50,000/- as first instalment of grants under the North Eastern Council Plan Schemes and the Council noted the same.

The Chairman also informed the Council that the University has approached the Punjab National Bank, Shillong for loan to the extent of Rs 80.00 lakhs for construction of hostels for Scheduled Tribe students and the understanding with the Bank was that the University should open first an account with the Bank so as to procure the loan.

The Council **RESOLVED** that the University should open a Saving Bank Account with the Punjab National Bank.

Item No. 6 OPENING OF SEPARATE SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNT
WITH THE PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK, SHILLONG FOR
THE INTEREST ACCRUED OUT OF SHORT TERM FIXED
DEPOSIT IN RESPECT OF MRS. ELWIN MEMORIAL
ENDOWMENT FUND :

EC:29:82:06: The Council approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee held on 24th January, 1981 to open a separate Savings Bank Account in Punjab National Bank, Shillong, on the interest accrued out of short-term fixed deposit in respect of Mrs. Elwin Memorial Endowment Fund.

The Council, however, **RESOLVED** that an account be opened in a centralised Bank **for all** endowment funds as far as possible and separate Accounts may be maintained in the books of the University. These funds should be so managed so as to earn maximum returns.

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Item No. 7 ACCEPTANCE OF BALANCE ON ACCOUNT OF
CP/GP FUND IN RESPECT OF OFFICIALS
JOINING NEHU :

EC:29:82:07: RESOLVED that the procedure followed by the University of Delhi on the transfer of balance on account of Contributory Provident/General Provident Fund of officials coming from Central/State, etc., be followed in this University and the above procedure be incorporated in the NEHU Retirement Benefit Scheme.

Item No. 8 EXCERPTS OF THE MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC
COUNCIL HELD ON 16TH FEBRUARY, 1982 :

EC:29:82:08: Before deliberating on this Item, the Chairman briefed the Council about the action of the Academic Council in connection with the introduction of 10+2+3 pattern of education as well as other allied matters. The Chairman also apprised the Council about the meetings of the Secretaries and Directors of Education of Meghalaya, Nagaland and Mizoram.

The Council after careful consideration and examination of the 10+2+3 pattern of education and also diversification of the +2 level, RESOLVED to approve the recommendations of the Academic Council.

The Council also welcomed the recommendation of the Academic Council to set up a Board under the aegis of the Academic Council to look into all aspects of Pre-University Education and RESOLVED that a suitable Ordinance be made for the constitution/function and powers of the Board.

The Council shared the concern of the Academic Council of the delay in introduction of the Three-Year Degree Course by the University. They, however, noted that some of the Colleges may not be ready to introduce the full Three-Year Degree Course immediately. The Council RESOLVED that the switch over to the new pattern of Three-Year Degree may be initiated in 1982 and completed in all Colleges within a period of five years. The

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Council also accepted the recommendation of the Academic Council that the new Three-Year Degree Course may comprise three subjects of equal weight in the first two years and one major subject in the third year. The students should be eligible for a Degree of the University after two years of study and another Degree after the third year. The Council RESOLVED that an Ordinance be framed governing the Three-Year Degree Course accordingly.

The Council considered the proposals for faculty development programme which were earlier adopted by the Principals' Conference. The Council RESOLVED that a M.Phil. Programme may be specially structured for teachers of the Constituent Colleges and Affiliated Colleges and that an Ordinance be framed accordingly.

The Council accepted the recommendation of the Principals' Conference and RESOLVED that a comprehensive programme of Seminars/Workshops should be organised in each subject so that each teacher in all the Colleges participates in one or the other programme once in two years. The Council further RESOLVED that a programme of faculty exchange between the affiliated colleges and the University Departments should also be initiated.

The Council RESOLVED that Regulations on the teacher-student ratio, size of individual sections in different sections, etc., be framed on lines recommended by the Academic Council.

(b) CONSIDERATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SECRETARIES AND DIRECTORS OF EDUCATION, MEGHALAYA, NAGALAND AND MIZORAM WITH THE UNIVERSITY ON 23rd JANUARY, 1982 :

EC:29:82:08(b): This Item was taken up for consideration alongwith the Report of the Committee on the development of Campus at Kohima.

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ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Item No. 1 TO FIX THE DA-TE FOR THE 7TH MEETING
OF THE COURT OF THE UNIVERSITY :

EC:29:82:09: The Council decided that the next meeting of the Court be fixed on the 25th May, 1982. The Council also RESOLVED that 26th May, 1982, be fixed for Convocation in consultation with the Chancellor of the University. However, the Council felt that if 26th May, 1982 is not suitable for the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor be authorised to fix the meeting of the Court one day prior to the Convocation and the meeting of the Executive Council two days before the Convocation.

The Council considered a number of dignitaries for invitation for addressing the Convocation and RESOLVED that the Vice-Chancellor may extend invitation in consultation with the Chancellor.

Item No. 2 EXTENSION OF THE TERM OF OFFICE OF
THE MEMBERS OF THE COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT
COUNCIL :

EC:29:82:10: The Council approved the extension of the term of office of the nominated members of the College Development Council for another period of one year.

The Council also nominated the following members in place of the members who were proceeding on leave and who resigns:

1. Dr R.R.Mishra, Dean, School of Life Sciences, NEHU.
2. Dr C.L.Anand, Dean, School of Education, NEHU.
3. Shri S.N.Sarna, Lecturer, Education Department, Pachhunga University College, Aizawl.

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- (f) Panel of examiners for examining the Ph.D. thesis of the candidates of the Department of Philosophy.
- (g) Panel of examiners for examining the Ph.D. thesis of Shri A.K. Bhattacharjee of the Department of Chemistry.
- (h) Panel of examiners and paper-setters of the Department of Economics.
- (i) Panel of examiners for examining the Ph.D. thesis of Shri Nabendu Dhar and Shri A.K.Z. Ahmed of the Department of Zoology.
- (j) Panel of examiners for examining the Ph.D. thesis of the following candidates :
 - 1. Miss Jrial Sibon Kharbteng, Department of Botany.
 - 2. Mr. M.S. Janir, Department of Botany.
 - 3. Mr. N.K. Verma, Department of Botany.
 - 4. Miss Shephali Penigrahi, Department of Philosophy.
 - 5. Shri B.P. Dey, Department of Botany.
- (k) Panel of Examiners for examining the M.Phil thesis of Shri S.H. Pautu and Kun. Saidun Nessa of the Department of Political Science.
- (l) Panel of examiners for examining the M.Phil/Ph.D. thesis of the Department of History.

The Council RESOLVED to delegate their powers to the Vice-Chancellor to finalise the panels of examiners. Action taken by him may be reported to the Council for information.

Item No. 5 APPOINTMENT OF SHRI P.G. MOMIN AS LECTURER,
DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY :

EC:29:82:13: The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in extending the term of appointment of Shri P.G. Monin, Lecturer, Department of Geography, for a period from 11th November, 1981 to 28th February, 1982.

The Council further RESOLVED to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to take a decision for retention of Shri P.G. Monin beyond the 28th February, 1982.

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Item No. 6 TRANSFER OF SERVICES OF DR T. MATHEW,
PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, NEHU :

EC:29:82:14: RESOLVED that Dr. T. Mathew, Professor, Department of Economics, NEHU, be absorbed permanently in North-Eastern Hill University, as per rules of the Government of India.

Item No. 7 TRANSFER OF SERVICES OF DR B.K.TANDON,
READER, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, NAGALAND
CAMPUS FROM HIS PARENT UNIVERSITY,
BANARAS HINDU UNIVERSITY :

EC:29:82:15: The Council RESOLVED to approve the transfer of services of Dr B.K.Tandon, Reader, Department of Commerce, Nagaland Campus, from Banaras Hindu University to North-Eastern Hill University and be absorbed permanently, as per Government of India's Rules.

Item No. 8 CANCELLATION OF EXTRA ORDINARY LEAVE FOR
TWO YEARS GRANTED TO DR P.K.GANGULY,
LECTURER, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL
RESEARCH & STUDIES, NEHU :

EC:29:82:16: The Council accepted the request of Dr P.K.Ganguly, Lecturer, Department of Educational Research & Studies, NEHU, for cancellation of his extra-ordinary leave granted to him. vide Resolution No. EC:28:81:08 dated 5th December, 1981.

Item No. 9 PAYMENT OF NON-PRACTICING ALLOWANCE TO THE
MEDICAL OFFICERS, UNIVERSITY HEALTH CLINIC :

EC:29:82:17: RESOLVED that Non-Practicing Allowance be paid to the Medical Officers of the University as per Government of India's Rules.

Item No. 10 BOARD AND LODGING OF UNIVERSITY GUESTS :

EC:29:82:18: The Council RESOLVED that the present practice of providing accommodation to the members of the various authorities be followed till such time the University had its own Guest House.

Item No. 11 RATIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE
VICE-CHANCELLOR :

EC:29:82:19: The Council ratified the following actions
taken by the Vice-Chancellor :-

- (a) Granting of study leave for two years with effect from 15th February, 1982 to Dr D.T.Khathing, Lecturer, Department of Physics, NEHU, for his research in the Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell.
- (b) Granting of duty leave to Dr V.Xaxa, Lecturer, Department of Sociology, NEHU, for a period from 17th December, 1981 to 16th December, 1982 and also approved of granting full pay and allowances for the leave period.
- (c) Granting of study leave for a period of one year with effect from 15th January, 1982 to 14th January, 1983, to Shri Sidheswar Sarma, Senior Cartographic Assistant, Department of Geography, NEHU.
- (d) For granting of study leave to Dr S.A.K.Nasar, Lecturer, Department of Zoology, NEHU, for a period from 1st April, 1982 to 14th December, 1982.
- (e) For granting of extra-ordinary leave for a period from 16th February, 1982 to 31st December, 1982, to Dr R.G.Michael, Professor, Department of Zoology, NEHU.
- (f) For accepting the resignation tendered by Dr K.K. Singh, Reader in Agricultural Botany, College of Agriculture, Medziphema, Nagaland, with effect from 15th January, 1982 (AN).
- (g) For absorbing permanently in the services of NEHU to Shri O.D.Shira, Assistant Registrar (Admin.) NEHU, with effect from 1st April, 1981.

EC:29:82:20: The Council further RESOLVED to delegate their powers to the Vice-Chancellor in respect of grant of leave, etc., in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes/ Ordinances. The action taken may be reported to the Executive Council for their information.

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Item No.12 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO.
EC:28:81:03 DATED 5TH DECEMBER, 1981
ON THE SUBJECT - EXPENDITURE ON GRANTS
RECEIVED FROM UGC AND OTHER AGENCIES
FOR SPECIFIC SCHEMES/PROJECTS :

The Chairman withdrew this Item.

Item No. 13 EXERCISE OF OPTION FOR CONTRIBUTORY
PROVIDENT FUND :

EC:29:82:20: The Council while ratifying the action of the University in extending facility of exercise of option to the non-teaching staff, had also approved that the non-teaching staff of the University be given the same opportunity of exercising their option for Contributory Provident Fund.

Item No. 14 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS - 1979-80 :

EC:29:82:22: The Council accepted the Statement of Accounts presented for the year 1979-80.

Item No. 15 TO CONSIDER THE CASE OF TRANSFER OF
SERVICES OF DR HARSH NARAIN, READER,
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY, NEHU :

EC:29:82:23: The Council approved to the transfer of services of Dr Harsh Narain, Reader, Department of Philosophy, NEHU, from his parent University, Banaras Hindu University to NEHU, as recommended by the Committee appointed by it.

Item No. 16 RESIGNATION OF DR A.G.GEORGE, PROFESSOR,
OF ENGLISH, NEHU :

EC:29:82:24: The Council RESOLVED to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to discuss the matter with Dr. George and the decision arrived at, be reported back to the next meeting of the Council.

Item No. 17 AMENDMENT OF STATUTE 20 OF THE NEHU ACT,
1973 TO PROVIDE A SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR
THE POST OF CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATIONS :

EC:29:82:25: The Council approved the amendment of Statute 20 so as to provide for a Selection Committee for appointment of the Controller of Examinations.

ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

EC:29:82:26: The Chairman informed the Council that the term of deputation of Smt. M.R.Mawlong, Registrar, will end in the month of April, 1982. The Council RESOLVED to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to consider this matter and further RESOLVED that till such time the new Registrar is appointed, Mrs. M.R. Mawlong be allowed to continue in the office.

EC:29:82:27: The Council noted the withdrawal of the Writ Petition against the University and the Chairman informed the Council that a formal letter is awaiting.

EC:29:82:28: The Council after hearing the method of functioning of Dr. Borthakur, Lecturer in Education, Kohina RESOLVED that his services may be returned to his parent organisation.

EC:29:82:29: The Council observed that the Mahatma Gandhi Visiting Professorship Fund endowed by Dr Venkata Rao was not properly utilised and RESOLVED that a Visiting Professor be invited initially for one semester. The Council also authorised the Vice-Chancellor to organise the Elwin Memorial Lecture.

EC:29:82:30: The Council accepted in principle the offer of the State Bank of India to create a fund for Rural Development Study & Research and authorised the Vice-Chancellor to take necessary steps in this regard.

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EC:29:82:30: The Vice-Chancellor appraised the Council about the offers from eminent people and others for serving with the NEHU in response to a special advertisement inviting suggestions and offers for building up different faculties, centres, disciplines, etc., in the University. The methodology for handling, these offers was discussed. The Council RESOLVED that the Vice-Chancellor may have a dialogue with those whose services can be profitably utilised by the University. A convention, however, may be established that offers under Statute 21 may be made only where the movement is horizontal or in an equivalent position. Those cases when the offer may involve moving up or a promotion should be placed before the appropriate Selection Committees and appointments may be made under Statute 20. In their case, however, the offer letter may be accepted as a formal application to a regular advertisement.

The Council considered the particulars of eminent persons and persons of the rank of Professors. The Council specially considered the offer of Prof. B. Das and Mrs. Prof. Das for Shillong and Kohima. The Council RESOLVED to extend invitation to Prof. Das to serve as Professor of Education, Kohima for a period of two years on contract basis and to Mrs. Das to serve as Professor of English, Kohima under Statute 21.

The Council also RESOLVED to accept the offer of Prof. Jacob for organising the School of Earth Sciences at Kohima. However, as some details about his age and the terms etc., are not clear from the offer, the Council authorised the Vice-Chancellor to take further necessary action in this regard.

The Council further RESOLVED that other offers may be suitably dealt with by the Vice-Chancellor in the light of principles accepted above.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT
OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN NAGALAND :

EC:29:82:31: The Report of the Committee appointed by it to go into the question of development of higher education in Nagaland Campus was placed before the Council and the highlights were explained by the Chairman.


The Council RESOLVED that :-

- (i) One Assistant Finance Officer each may be appointed for the two Campuses at Nagaland and Mizoram;
- (ii) A Centre for Rural Development may be established at Medziphema as soon as the offer from the Government of Nagaland materialises;
- (iii) The College of Agriculture be developed into a full-fledged School of Agricultural Sciences and Rural Development. It should have special emphasis on hill farming and development of hill areas; and
- (iv) A School of Environmental Sciences be established at Kohima with special emphasis on Geology.

EC:29:82:32: The Council RESOLVED to start a School of Forestry Sciences in the Mizoram Campus and that posts be created.

EC:29:82:33: The Council also considered the recommendations of the Committee of Secretaries and Directors of Education of Meghalaya, Nagaland and Mizoram and RESOLVED to accept generally the same.

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


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

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

1. Dr B.D.Sharma, Vice-Chancellor, NEHU - in the Chair
 2. Dr C.L.Anand, Dean, School of Education, NEHU.
 3. Prof.A.G.George, Professor of English, NEHU
 4. Prof. H. Junjappa, Dean, School of Physical Sciences, NEHU
 5. Shri Lalawia,
Principal, Lunglei College, Lunglei.
 6. Dr S. Hon Chaudhuri, Reader,
Department of English, NEHU.
 7. Prof. R.R.Mishra,
Dean, School of Life Sciences, NEHU,
 8. Shri Vicki Kapoor,
Advocate, Supreme Court,
70-71, Mysore Colony, Bombay.
 9. Shri Kirenwati
Principal, Science College, Kohima.
 10. Fr N. J.Kenny,
Principal, St. Anthony's College, Shillong.
 11. Shri Stetnel Roy, Finance Officer - Invitee
 12. Shri I. Jyrwa,
Director of Public Instruction,
Meghalaya, Shillong.
 13. Dr Rais Ahmed,
Physics Department of
Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh
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