

## IGNOU

### MINUTES OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT HELD ON APRIL 30, 2004 AT 11.00 A. M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, BLOCK - 8, IGNOU CAMPUS, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI - 110 068

The following were present:

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| (1) | Prof. H.P. Dikshit, Vice-Chancellor  | - | Chairman |
| (2) | Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor | - | Member   |
| (3) | Prof. (Mrs.) Surabhi Banerjee        | - | Member   |
| (4) | Prof. C.L. Anand                     | - | Member   |
| (5) | Prof. Kapil Kumar                    | - | Member   |
| (6) | Prof. B.S. Saraswat                  | - | Member   |
| (7) | Prof. Swaraj Basu                    | - | Member   |

Prof. A.S. Narang, Registrar - Secretary

Shri Ravi Mathur, Joint Secretary, Higher Education, MHRD attended the meeting on behalf of the Secretary, MHRD, Government of India. Shri Pawan Chopra, Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting and Shri Y.N. Chaturvedi could not attend the meeting.

Mrs. Meenakshi Mishra, Finance Officer attended the meeting as a Special Invitee.

Shri O.P. Bangia, Assistant Registrar (VCO) and Shri R.P.D. Singh, Assistant Registrar (Governance) were present to assist the Chairman and the Secretary.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the members to the 79<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Management. The proceedings of the meeting commenced with the presentation of the **PREAMBLE** by the Chairman.

### **Chairman's Preamble:**

I would like to inform the Board that the continuation of development grant to IGNOU and the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) system for every 5-Year Plan is decided after it is finally processed through the Expenditure and Finance Committee (EFC) and approved by the Government of India (GOI). The 10<sup>th</sup> Plan proposals for development grant by MHRD were forwarded by the Ministry to the Planning Commission and concerned Ministries and Departments of GOI for their comments / observations and suggestions. The comments / observations and suggestions received from the Planning Commission and the Ministries / Departments were discussed in a meeting chaired by the Secretary (H & SE), MHRD in the Ministry on December 12, 2003, which was attended by the Additional Secretary, Financial Advisor, Joint Secretary (HE), Joint Secretary (TE) and some other officials in MHRD after a presentation was made by the Vice Chancellor. In this meeting it was emphasized that IGNOU should make provisions for matching allocation from the corpus fund to be able to receive the proposed development grant from MHRD. The proposal was thus revised on the lines suggested in the meeting and submitted to the MHRD for presentation and discussions in the EFC, which met on January 16, 2004 at noon in Room No-131-A, North Block, New Delhi under the Chairmanship of the Secretary (Expenditure) to consider the proposal regarding continuance of development grant to IGNOU and Open Learning System during 10<sup>th</sup> Plan. In this meeting the Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU made a presentation on the activities and the 10<sup>th</sup> Plan outlay as proposed by the University. In his presentation, the Vice-Chancellor highlighted several new initiatives.

During the 9<sup>th</sup> Plan, IGNOU had successfully achieved the targets in almost all the areas as per the recommendations. The target set for achieving self-sustainability in terms of Non-Plan expenditure has also been attained. On the basis of this success and the encouraging trends in the ODL system, IGNOU has projected inter alia the following new initiatives among others during the 10<sup>th</sup> Plan.

- a) National Resource Centre for ICT-Enabled Training and Learning Materials,
- b) National Centre for Innovations in Distance Education,
- c) National Network for Open and Distance Education (N-NODE),
- d) Inter University Consortium for Technology Enabled Flexible Education and Development (IUC-TEFED),
- e) National Centre for Differently Abled (NACDA),
- f) Special initiatives and measures, like setting up of new Regional / Sub-Regional Centres, for education and training of disadvantaged groups / less developed regions etc.,
- g) Schools of Agriculture and Law,
- h) Special Initiatives for the states in the North-East region including Sikkim for development of infrastructure for increased access, translation of need based programmes into regional languages and development of job oriented courses etc.

The progress made by IGNOU in particular and ODL System in general during the 9<sup>th</sup> Plan and in the beginning of the 10<sup>th</sup> Plan and the new initiatives projected for the 10<sup>th</sup> Plan, were appreciated in the EFC meeting. It is learnt that the EFC has recommended the continuation of plan grant to IGNOU in the 10<sup>th</sup> Plan but we are looking forward to a formal approval. The process of approval of recommendations of EFC has resulted in loss of the first two years of the Plan period. However, I would like to report to the Board some preparatory steps being taken like provision of space in existing buildings, identification of initial Faculty and Officials from within the system required for initiating the process through the allied existing units of the University. We have thus taken the following steps inter alia.

In order to initiate activities which will be later undertaken by the School of Agriculture, the Centre of Continuing Education (CEE), meanwhile submitted a few proposals for HRD development through Distance Mode to the Ministries of Agriculture (MOA), Rural Development (MORD), Food Processing Industries (MOFPI), GOI. Some of these proposals have been approved by these Ministries for development of Awareness/Diploma/PG programmes with financial support of Rs.50 lakh and Rs. 4.81 Crore. Besides these initiatives, CEE jointly with Electronic Media Production Centre (EMPC) of IGNOU is now running a Kisan Channel, under MOA-IGNOU collaboration. This also fulfills the joint objective of IGNOU and ISRO to provide education for the general well being of the community.

We have started making initial efforts towards development of activities in the direction of items a) to d). Some of our faculty have actively participated in a series of meetings organized by the Department of Elementary Education and Literacy of MHRD to encourage development of IT-enabled educational software for Schools. The purpose of these meetings was to identify different providers of educational software including training of teachers for different states of the country. Concerned experts from Madhya Pradesh Bhoj (Open) University (MPBOU) were especially invited in these meetings because of their very successful intervention in this area under the well-known HEADSTART project, which was jointly conducted by the Rajiv Gandhi Shiksha Mission (RGSM) of the Government of Madhya Pradesh and MPBOU. Moreover, MPBOU has vast experience of conducting extensive training of teachers in IT and developing IT-enabled educational software. As a follow up to initial discussions in MHRD, IGNOU and MPBOU jointly made presentations for making IT-enabled training/learning material along with several major private providers at Bangalore on February 26, 2004 in a meeting of the officials of the MHRD and representatives of several State Departments of Education. We are very pleased to report that Education Departments from the following States have already approached IGNOU-MPBOU for their requirements of software and training of teachers.

1.Punjab, 2. Haryana, 3.Tripura, 4.Uttaranchal, 5.Andhra Pradesh, 6.Jharkhand.

The Governments of Punjab and Haryana have already placed orders for their requirements. Meanwhile, IGNOU and MPBOU have jointly developed CDs for a UNESCO funded Project with Distance Education expertise of IGNOU and IT capabilities of MPBOU. We look forward to develop massive IT-enabled educational material and undertake IT Training of teachers on a very large scale. The software so developed will also need regular upgrading and improvement. We consider this as a massive and important national responsibility. For greater success, it has to be supported by well-defined and structured system of coordination for joint initiatives, sharing of capabilities and resources, copyrights, financial management, etc. We have thus nominated Professor S.K.Panda, Professor, STRIDE as Convenor, IUC-TEFD in addition to his normal responsibilities. It is also a pleasure to report that the Vice-Chancellor, MPBOU has assured one acre of developed land in their Campus at Bhopal and also use of their ICT Centre initially and till the new Centre is fully developed as a separate identity. To facilitate action on various day to day activities pertaining to the development and functioning of the IGNOU-MPBOU Centre and such other decisions as deemed essential to develop it as an autonomous Centre due to its importance in the development of software for different DE programmes in general, it is proposed to constitute a Management Committee comprising of Vice-Chancellor, MPBOU, Pro Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU, Professor S. K. Panda Convenor, IUC-TEFD, IGNOU, Project Director (SSA National Centre, supported by MHRD), IGNOU and one IT expert from MPBOU to be identified by the Management Committee. Prof. S. C. Garg, PVC will be the convenor of the Management Committee.

We are pleased to report to the Board that in a recent meeting of the Heads of SAARC countries held in Islamabad in January 2004, it has been decided to establish a South Asian Consortium of Open and Distance Learning (SACODiL). It has been further decided in the meeting that the SACODiL secretariat will be initially set up at IGNOU with Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU as the Chairperson of the first Board of Governors for a period of first three years. We have thus, started working in this direction and I am pleased to report that in my capacity as the Chairperson and as per requirement of the decision I have nominated Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU as the Secretary of SACODiL and Dr. Ved Goel, Director, International Division, IGNOU as its Nodal Officer.

The Open and Distance Learning is being accorded recognition by the Society because of its dynamism, flexibility, efficiency and capacity to reach the unreached. As a mark of this recognition, UN Goodwill Ambassador Madanjeet Singh, founder South Asia Foundation has allocated 6000 SAF Madanjeet Singh scholarships, each worth US \$300 per annum, for learners from underprivileged sections. Of these, 3000 scholarships have been earmarked for IGNOU students. IGNOU has been entrusted the responsibility to coordinate the effort for entire country and Prof. S.C. Garg, PVC has been nominated Chief Coordinator.



The BOM considered and endorsed the above contents of the Chairman's Preamble and appreciated the efforts being made and recognition received both at the national and international levels. The Board desired to acknowledge the support provided to the students of IGNOU under 3000 SAF Madanjeet Singh Scholarships.

The Chairman then requested Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro- Vice-Chancellor to present the items on the Agenda.

**ITEM NO. 1**

**TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE 78<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT HELD ON DECEMBER 29, 2003 AND TO NOTE THE ACTION TAKEN THEREON**

**BM 79.1.1**

Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor informed the Board that no comments had been received on the Minutes of the 78<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management which were circulated to the members earlier.

**BM 79.1.2**

The Board noted the action taken on various decisions of the 78<sup>th</sup> Meeting. As regards the DPC meeting for non-academic positions held on 26-12-2003, considered by the Board of Management at its 78<sup>th</sup> Meeting (Resolution No.BM 78.3.1), the Board noted the recommendation of the DPC that the candidature of Shri Jagdish Singh, Section Officer for placement in the Scale of pay of Rs.8000-13500 may be implemented as per the rules.

With regard to Resolution No.78.9.3 relating to the R&P Rules for electricians in the CMD, the Board directed that the proposal be re-examined taking into account the comparable positions and pay scales of other cadres in the University. No action on promotions be taken till such time that the Establishment Committee has reconsidered the proposal.

**BM 79.1.3**

The Board confirmed the Minutes of the 78<sup>th</sup> Meeting subject to the above specific directions.

**ITEM NO. 2**

**TO REPORT THE NOMINATION OF A MEMBER  
ON THE DISTANCE EDUCATION COUNCIL  
UNDER CLAUSE (3)(A)(VII) OF STATUTE 28**

**BM 79.2.1**

The item was taken up for consideration. Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor informed that the Board at its 77<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 6-10-2003 had nominated Prof. T. Ravi Prasad, Director, Directorate of Distance Education, Kakatiya University on the Distance Education Council (DEC). Since Prof. Prasad had ceased to be Director, Directorate of Distance Education, Kakatiya University, a fresh nomination on the DEC in terms of provisions under Clause (3)(a)(vii) of Statute 28 had become necessary. A proposal was, therefore, placed before the Board of Management at its 78<sup>th</sup> Meeting for nominating a member on the DEC in place of Prof. T. Ravi Prasad. The Board considered the matter and authorized the Chairman to nominate a member on its behalf on the DEC and to report the nomination so made at the next meeting of the Board. He informed the Board that as per the above directions, the Chairman has nominated Dr. S. Sudalai Muthu, Director, Directorate of Distance Education, Allagappa University, Karaikudi, Tamil Nadu on the Distance Education Council (DEC).

**BM 79.2.2**

The Board approved the nomination of Dr. S. Sudalai Muthu, Director, Directorate of Distance Education, Allagappa University, Karaikudi, Tamil Nadu on the Distance Education Council under Clause (3)(a)(vii) of Statute 28.

**ITEM NO. 3**

**TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF  
THE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS  
FOR TEACHERS/OTHER ACADEMICS / NON-  
ACADEMIC POSTS**

**BM 79.3.1**

The Board considered and approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee / Departmental Promotion Committee meetings as per the

dates / details given below:

Date of the Meeting	Positions	Name of the Selected Persons
22-03-2004	<p>(1) Recruitment to the post of <b>Lecturer in Distance Education</b></p> <p>(2) Placement of Lecturer in Distance Education in Lecturer (Selection Grade)/ Promotion to the post of <b>Reader in Distance Education under the Career Advancement Scheme.</b></p> <p>(3) Placement of Lecturer in Education in Lecturer (Selection Grade)/ Promotion to the post of <b>Reader in Education under the Career Advancement Scheme.</b></p>	<p>No candidate was found suitable</p> <p>Dr. Sanjaya Mishra (as Reader)</p> <p>Dr. M.V. Lakshmi Reddy : Not recommended</p>
23-03-2004	<p>(1) Recruitment to the post of <b>Lecturer in Health Sciences</b></p> <p>(2) Placement of Lecturer in Health Sciences in Lecturer (Selection Grade)/ Promotion to the post of <b>Reader in Health Sciences under the Career Advancement Scheme.</b></p> <p>(3) Promotion of Reader in Physics to the post of <b>Professor of Physics under the Career Advancement Scheme.</b></p>	<p>Dr. Biplab Jamatia, ST</p> <p>Dr.(Mrs.) Ruchika Kuba (as Reader)</p> <p>Dr. Vijayshri (as Professor)</p>
06-04-2004	Recruitment to the post of <b>Librarian &amp; Information Officer</b>	No one was found suitable
08-04-2004	Recruitment to the post of <b>Lecturer in Commerce</b>	Dr. Subodh Kesharwani

26-04-2004	<p>(1) Recruitment to the post of <b>Director, EMPC</b></p> <p>(2) Placement of Assistant Regional Directors in ARD (Selection Grade)/ Promotion to the post of <b>Deputy Director and equivalent under the Career Advancement Scheme.</b></p>	<p>Shri V.K. Arora (on deputation for an initial period of one year. Based on performance, the deputation can be extended for another period of two years)</p> <p>(i) Dr. M.S. Parthasarathy (As Deputy Director) (ii) Dr. B.M Agrawal (As Deputy Director)</p>
	<p>(3) Placement of Assistant Director in Distance Education Council in Assistant Director (Selection Grade) / Promotion to the post of <b>Deputy Director and equivalent under the Career Advancement Scheme.</b></p>	<p>(iii) Dr. Asha Sharma (As Deputy Director) (iv) Shri K.C. Dalai (ARD in the Selection Grade)</p> <p>Dr. Nalini Arvind Lele (as Deputy Director)</p>
27-04-2004	<p>(1) Recruitment to the post of <b>Regional Director / Deputy Director, RSD</b></p> <p>(2) Recruitment to the post of <b>Deputy Librarian</b></p> <p>(3) Promotion of Reader in Library &amp; Information Sciences to the post of <b>Professor of Library and Information Science under the Career Advancement Scheme.</b></p> <p>(4) Placement of Lecturer in Public Administration in Lecturer (Selection Grade) / Promotion to the post of <b>Reader in Public Administration under the Career Advancement Scheme.</b></p>	<p>(i) Dr. Amit Chaturvedi (pay to be fixed as per rules) (ii) Dr. K.S. Tiwari ( - do - ) (as Regional Director/Deputy Director, RSD )</p> <p>No one was found suitable</p> <p>Dr. Uma Kanjilal (as Professor)</p> <p>Dr. (Mrs.) Durgesh Nandini (as Reader)</p>

	(5) Placement of Assistant Regional Directors in Senior Scale	(i) Shri K.S. Divakaran Nair (ii) Dr. Somasi Srinivas (iii) Shri T. Krishnan
28-04-2004	(1) Recruitment to the post of Assistant Librarian	No one was found suitable
	(2) Recruitment to the post of Documentation Officer	Meeting was postponed

**ITEM NO. 4**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL MADE IN ITS 31<sup>ST</sup> MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 20, 2004**

**BM 79.4.1**

Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor informed that the 31<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Academic Council was held on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2004. The Academic Council had deliberated on certain very important issues in the meeting and had taken the following decisions:

- Approval for award of Degrees/Diplomas, etc. to 74,603 students and conferring D.Litt. degrees (*Honoris Causa*) on Field Marshal SHFJ Manekshaw and His Highness Shaikh Khalifa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bahrain, at the 15<sup>th</sup> Convocation of the University held on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2004.
- Issuance of Official Transcripts, charging a nominal fee of Rs.100/- (Rs.225/- in case the same was desired to be dispatched outside the country).

Approval of the Programme Design & DPR (Phase-3) of M.A. (Economics) Programme worth 64 credits and programme fee of Rs.4,000/- per annum.

- Approval of new diploma programmes in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering initially for military personnel under IGNOU-CIDC collaboration.
- Approval of the guidelines for acceptance of Consultancy Assignments / Academic Assignments offered to the employees of the University by the



International Organisations / Universities. The document titled 'IGNOU Consultancy Services' was also approved.

- Extension of North-Bihar Model for BDP to the state of Orissa.

**BM 79.4.2**

The Board endorsed the Minutes of the 31<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council held on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2004.

**ITEM NO. 5**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PURCHASE COMMITTEE MADE IN ITS 31<sup>ST</sup> AND 32<sup>ND</sup> MEETINGS HELD ON FEBRUARY 26, 2004 AND APRIL 12, 2004 RESPECTIVELY**

**BM 79.5.1**

Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor informed the Board that the Purchase Committee, a Standing Committee of the Board of Management, held two meetings during the intervening period, on 26-2-2004 and 12-4-2004, and had recommended purchases/procurements of several essential items/equipments for maintaining, broadcasting and telecasting operations and activities at EMPC, IGNOU.

**BM 79.5.2**

The Board approved the recommendations of the Purchase Committee made at its 31<sup>st</sup> and 32<sup>nd</sup> Meetings and accorded approval to the following:

- (i) Procurement of Betacam Tape Evaluators from M/s RTI (UK) through their Indian Agents at a cost of Rs.23,30,832.40/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Two and Paise Forty only).
- (ii) Procurement of three MPEG IMX Recorders (Model MSW-M2000P Sony make) and ten DVCPRO VTRs (Panasonic make) at a cost of US\$ 1,41,029/- (US dollars One lakh Forty-one thousand Twenty-nine only) and Singapore \$ 4,38,670/- (Singapore dollars Four lakhs Thirty-eight thousand Six hundred and Seventy only) respectively.

- (iii) Procurement of Aerial and Feeder Lines for Gyan Vani Transmitter at Bangalore from M/s. BEL at a total cost of Rs.12,74,833/- (Rupees Twelve Lakh Seventy Four Thousand and Eight Hundred Thirty Three only).
- (iv) Procurement of Direct Reception Systems (DRS) from M/s. MCBS and M/s. BECIL at a total cost of Rs.1,71,97,500/- (Rupees One Crore Seventy One Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand and Five Hundred only) and Rs.1,24,79,700/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Four Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand and Seven Hundred only) respectively.
- (v) Procurement of filters for cameras (Sony make) from M/s New Video Ltd. For Rs. 1,33,420/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Three Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty only) and Rs. 1,25,930/- (Rupees One Lakh Twenty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty only).
- (vi) Purchase of three Staff Cars at the total cost of Rs.13,68,195/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Sixty Eight Thousand One Hundred and Ninety Five only) in replacement of three old and unserviceable staff cars.
- (vii) Purchase of Video Server system from M/s. ComCon Industries at the cost of Rs.2,71,91,068/- (Rupees Two Crore Seventy One Lakh Ninety One Thousand and Sixty Eight only).

**ITEM NO. 6**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE MADE IN ITS 15<sup>TH</sup> MEETING HELD ON APRIL 12, 2004**

**BM 79.6.1**

The Minutes of the 15<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Student Support Services Committee held on 12-4-2004 were considered and approved with the modification that the appointment of Principals as Coordinators will be subject to their consent.

**ITEM NO. 7**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE  
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE MADE IN ITS  
38<sup>TH</sup> MEETING HELD ON APRIL 12, 2004**

**BM 79.7.1**

The Minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Establishment Committee held on 12-4-2004 were taken up for consideration. The Board approved the recommendations of the Establishment Committee.

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**BM 79.7.2**

As regards the matter of rationalization of the cadres in Translation and Hindi Cell in the University, the Board directed that the present status in the matter may be ascertained from the Ministry.

**ITEM NO. 8**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE  
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORKS  
COMMITTEE MADE IN ITS 37<sup>TH</sup> MEETING  
HELD ON FEBRUARY 10, 2004**

**BM 79.8.1**

The Minutes of the 37<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Works Committee held on 10-2-2004 were taken up for consideration. The Board was informed that the University has taken possession of two Academic Blocks and possession of other Blocks was to be taken very soon. The Minutes were approved by the Board.

**ITEM NO. 9**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE  
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> AND  
2<sup>ND</sup> MEETINGS OF THE GRIEVANCE  
REDRESSAL COMMITTEE HELD ON APRIL 08,  
2004 AND APRIL 26, 2004 RESPECTIVELY**

**BM 79.9.1**

The Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Meetings of the Grievance Redressal Committee were taken up for consideration. Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor informed that the Committee at its 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting held on 8-4-2004 considered the case of Shri R.K. Arora, Deputy Registrar and recommended that Shri R.K. Arora be promoted as Deputy Registrar with effect from 1-3-2002, i.e., the date on which Shri C.A. Thakur was promoted as Deputy Registrar. The Committee further recommended that the Clause, as recommended

by the DOPT be inserted in the relevant R&P Rules of the University to eliminate recurrence of such anomalies in future.

**BM 79.9.2**

As regards the case of Shri Jagdish Singh, Section Officer, for treating his promotion on regular basis from the date he was promoted as Section Officer on ad-hoc basis, the Committee at its 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 26-4-2004, after careful consideration, was of the view that the demand of the official was not covered under the Rules and, therefore, could not be acceded to.

**BM 79.9.3**

While considering the above mentioned recommendations of the Grievance Redressal Committee, the Board directed that it would be appropriate to consider the case within the existing rules. However, the proviso under Office Memorandum No.AB/14017/12/97Estt(RR) dated 24.9.97 be incorporated in R&P rules for future.

**ITEM NO. 10**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ANNUAL REPORT 2002-03**

**BM 79.10.1**

The Board considered and approved the draft Annual Report of the University for the year 2002-2003 and decided that the Annual Report may be forwarded to the MHRD for onward submission to the Visitor as required under Statute 25. The Board advised that delay in preparation of Annual Report should be avoided in future.

**ITEM NO. 11**

**TO MODIFY THE ORDINANCE ON EMOLUMENTS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE OF DIRECTORS (OTHER THAN DIRECTORS OF SCHOOLS) AND THEIR POWERS AND FUNCTIONS**

**BM 79.11.1**

The proposal was taken up for consideration.

The Board decided that the proposal be re-examined and resubmitted at its next meeting with detailed justifications.

**ITEM NO. 12**

**TO REPORT THE AMENDMENTS TO STATUTE 5(6)(ii) AND (iii), SUB-CLAUSES (b)(c) AND (d), 9(vii) AND 10(1)(iv), REGARDING THE POSITION OF THE REGISTRAR IN THE AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY SUCH AS ACADEMIC COUNCIL AND PLANNING BOARD**

**BM 79.12.1**

The Board noted the amendments adopted by the Board at its 74<sup>th</sup> meeting vide Resolution No. BM 74.12.1 as assented to by the President of India in his capacity as the Visitor of the University in accordance with the provisions under Section 25(3) and (4) of the IGNOU Act, 1985.

**ITEM NO. 13**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RE-EMPLOYMENT OF PROF. S.B. GHOSH, PROFESSOR OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCES AFTER SUPERANNUATION**

**BM 79.13.1**

The item was taken up for consideration. Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor explained that a proposal was received from the Director, School of Social Sciences for re-employment of Prof. S.B. Ghosh, Professor of Library & Information Sciences for a period of 2 years, after his retirement on superannuation on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2004. It was further explained that Prof. Ghosh was a devoted teacher and under his guidance several academic programmes in the Library and Information Sciences have been revised. Some other programmes are under revision. Moreover, a new PG Programme in Library Automation and Networking has also been added. The Chairman thus recommended to the Board re-employment of Prof. S. B. Ghosh under Clause (9) (b) of Statute 17 of the University.

**BM 79.13.2**

The Board approved the proposal of re-employment of Prof. S.B. Ghosh, Professor of Library & Information Sciences initially for a period of 2 years after his date of superannuation on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2004.



**ITEM NO. 14**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE AGREEMENTS/ MEMORANDUM OF COLLABORATION/ MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED/ ENTERED BY THE UNIVERSITY**

**BM 79.14.1**

Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor placed before the Board the following collaborative agreements for ratification/approval of the Board:

- (i) MoC with Tamil Virtual University, Chennai to offer Joint Degree Programmes at different levels.
- (ii) MoC with Directorate General of Shipping, Ministry of Shipping, GOI to offer Diploma, Advanced Diploma and Degree Programmes in Nautical Sciences.
- (iii) MoU with National Trust for the Betterment of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities.
- (iv) MoU with Federation of Ophthalmic Research and Education Centre India (FOREC) (A Registered Society)
- (v) Agreement with Radio Australia
- (vi) Extension of MoU with NCTE
- (vii) Bipartite Agreement with Universal Empire Institute of Technology, Dubai, UAE
- (viii) MoU with South Asia Foundation
- (ix) Tri-partite MoU with Rehabilitation Council of India and Madhya Pradesh Bhoj (Open) University, Bhopal.
- (x) MOU with Asia Heart Foundation and Narayan Hrudayalaya Foundation, Bangalore.

**BM 79.14.2**

The Board ratified and approved the above programmes of collaboration.

**ITEM NO. 15**

**TO REPORT ON THE EXTENSION OF DR. MANOHAR SAJNANI, SENIOR CONSULTANT (FULL-TIME) BEYOND TWO YEARS**

**BM 79.15.1**

The proposal was considered. The Board noted the action taken by the University in granting extension to Dr. Manohar Sajnani, Senior Consultant (Full-Time) for a further period of six months beyond 18-3-2004, as a very special case, on payment of honorarium of Rs.15,000/- p.m. The Board, however, decided that no further extension beyond 17-09-2004 shall be granted in this case.

**ITEM NO. 16**

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR NOT INSISTING ON THE CONDITION OF ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF ABSORPTION WITHIN WHICH AN EMPLOYEE HAS TO OPT FOR COUNTING OF HIS PAST SERVICE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PENSIONARY BENEFITS IN IGNOU**

**BM 79.16.1**

The proposal was discussed in detail. The Board directed that the matter be referred to MHRD for opinion.

**ITEM NO. 17**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MODIFICATIONS IN THE REGULATIONS FOR MEETINGS OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL AND PLANNING BOARD**

**BM 79.17.1**

The proposal was discussed. It was explained that consequent upon the amendments to certain provisions under the Statutes concerning the position of the Registrar in the authorities of the University such as Academic Council and Planning Board, it has become necessary to amend the Regulations for conduct of the meetings of these Authorities, in consonance with the amended provisions of Statutes 5(6)(ii)(iii), sub-clauses (b), (c) and (d) of Clause 7 and Clause 9(vii) and insertion of new Clauses (v) and (vi) under Statutes 10(1) (iv) to regulate the meetings of the Academic Council and the Planning Board.

**BM 79.17.2**

The Board approved the amendments to Regulation No. 3 and 4 in terms of the Provisions under Statute 27(3). (Appendix – 1 & 2) The Board further authorized that the revised Regulations be sent to the Ministry for being laid before the two Houses of the Parliament, as required under Clause (2) of Section 40 of the IGNOU Act.

**ITEM NO. 18**

**TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL INSERTION OF CLAUSES GIVING SPECIFIC JOB REQUIREMENTS IN THE ADVERTISEMENTS FOR THE POSTS OF (i) REGISTRAR (ADMINISTRATION) AND (ii) REGISTRAR (STUDENT REGISTRATION & EVALUATION)**

**BM 79.18.1**

The item was taken up for consideration. It was explained that the Board of Management, while considering the Minutes of the Selection Committee Meetings for the post of Registrar (Administration) and the Registrar (SR&E), at its 76<sup>th</sup> Meeting had directed that these posts be re-advertised spelling out clearly the job requirements in each case, so as to attract suitable candidates. Accordingly, it has been proposed to re-advertise the two posts, indicating specific job requirements.

**BM 79.18.2**

The Board approved the proposed draft advertisements for the posts of Registrar (Administration) and the Registrar (SR&E) with the direction that appointment of candidates for these posts shall be on deputation basis for an initial period of one year, extendable upto five years. Two extensions each of two years could be granted by the Vice-Chancellor on the basis of the review of work after the first and the third year.

**BM 79.18.3**

~~The Board further directed that the Ordinance on Emoluments, Terms and Conditions of Service of the Registrars may also be suitably amended.~~

**ITEM NO. 19**

**TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR INTRODUCING A NEW RESTRUCTURED DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PENSION SYSTEM AS APPROVED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA WITH EFFECT FROM 1-1-2004**

**BM 79.19.1**

The item was taken up for consideration. The Board approved the proposal with the suggestion that if any clarification/guidance in its application for existing staff under CPF is required, the same be referred to the Ministry of Human Resource Development.  
(Appendix - 3)

**ITEM NO. 20**

**TO RATIFY THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR IN ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF DR. P. THIAYAGARAJAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, RC HYDERABAD BY WAIVING OFF THE SHORTFALL OF NOTICE PERIOD OF 78 DAYS**

**BM 79.20.1**

The Board ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in accepting the resignation of Dr.P. Thiayagarajan from the post of Deputy Director, Regional Centre, Hyderabad with effect from 12-3-2004 (AN) waiving off the shortfall of 78 days in the notice period.

**Following Items were presented with the permission of the Chair:**

**ITEM NO. 21**

**TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE POST OF DIRECTOR, SRE DIVISION**

**BM 79.21.1**

Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice-Chancellor informed the Board that Dr. P.K. Mehta, Director, SR&E Division is demitting the charge of the office of Director, SR&E Division today, i.e., 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2004 (AN), on superannuation, having attained the age of 62 years. Further, since the post of Director (SR&ED) has been re-designated as Registrar (SR&ED), Prof. S.C. Garg informed that arrangement has to be made to look after

the charge of the Registrar (SR&ED) till a regular arrangement to fill in the vacancy is made by the University. He, therefore, proposed that the Board may consider making suitable arrangements for the post of Registrar, SR&E Division as a pro-tem measure.

**BM 79.21.2**

The Board on the recommendations of the Vice-Chancellor decided to assign the additional charge of the office of Registrar, SR&E Division to Prof. Pardeep Sahni, Professor, Public Administration, SOSS till further orders.

**ITEM NO. 22**

**TO RATIFY ACTION TAKEN BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR IN PLACING DR. M.V. LAKSHMI REDDY, LECTURER, SOE UNDER SUSPENSION.**

**BM 79.22.1**

The Vice-Chancellor informed the Board that Dr. M.V. Lakshmi Reddy, Lecturer (Sr. Grade), SOE, while attending interview for placement in Lecturer (Selection Grade)/Promotion to the post of Reader in Education under the Career Advancement Scheme, misbehaved with the subject experts and other Members of the Selection Committee including the Visitor's nominee. The Chairman also read out a note jointly signed by all the external members on the Selection Committee including the Visitor's nominee. In order to safeguard the dignity of the experts and the image of the University, the Vice-Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred by the provisions of the Statute 2(5), read with the provisions of the Statute 19(1) of the Statutes of the University, placed the said Dr. M.V. Lakshmi Reddy under suspension with effect from April 30, 2004, pending inquiry.

**BM 79.22.2**

The Board ratified the action taken by the Vice-chancellor to suspend Dr. Reddy with immediate effect. The Board further desired that enquiry be conducted for further necessary action.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

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(H.P. DIKSHIT)  
Chairman