

## IGNOU

### **97<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT HELD ON NOVEMBER 19, 2008 ( FOUNDATION DAY OF IGNOU ) AT 12.00 NOON IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, BLOCK NO. 8, IGNOU CAMPUS, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI- 68**

The following members were present:

1. Prof. V.N. Rajasekharan Pillai, Vice-Chancellor - Chairman
  2. Prof. Omprakash Mishra, Pro Vice-Chancellor - Member
  3. Prof. K.R. Srivathsan, Pro-Vice-Chancellor - Member
  4. Shri V.S. Dubey (Vice-Chancellor, Nalanda Open Univ., Patna) - Member
  5. Prof. Manohar Lal - Member
  6. Prof. Shatrughna Kumar - Member
  7. Dr. V. Venugopal Reddy - Member
- Shri K. Laxman, Registrar - Secretary

Shri R.P. Agrawal, Secretary (S&HE), MHRD, the Secretary, Ministry of Information & Broadcasting and Prof. Shafiq Parvin, members could not attend the meeting. Sh. N.K. Sinha, Joint Secretary, MHRD represented the Secretary (S&HE) Ministry of Human Resource Development. Dr. D.K. Paliwal, Dy. Educational Adviser, MHRD was also present.

Shri R. Chauhan, Finance Officer, attended the meeting as special invitee.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the members to the 97th Meeting of the Board of Management and extended the Foundation Day greetings to all the members. The Chairman introduced Sh. V.S. Dubey, Vice-Chancellor, Nalanda Open University, Patna, as a new Member of the Board of Management. On behalf of the Board of Management, the Chairman recorded the Board's appreciation for the significant contribution made by Prof. K.R. Srivathsan, as the Member, Board of Management who has now taken over as the Pro-Vice Chancellor in the University. In this connection, Sh. N.K. Sinha, Joint Secretary emphasized that Prof. Srivathsan should continue as member on the Board as an IT and ODL expert. He further mentioned that Prof. Srivathsan is deeply involved in the country's entire knowledge network activities which need to be continued. He stressed that some mechanism should be evolved to retain him in the Board so that he continues to guide on the latest developments of the ongoing IT activities in the country. Sh. Sinha

suggested that amendments in the Act/Statutes may be proposed, if necessary in this respect. The Board unanimously appreciated the suggestion given by Sh. N.K. Sinha. The Chairman, therefore, requested the Board to nominate Prof. K.R. Srivathsan on the Board, in his capacity as an expert in Distance Education, till a proper provision is incorporated in the composition of the Board through an amendment to the existing statutory provisions in the statute. The Board unanimously approved the proposal.

The Chairman then requested the Secretary, Board of Management to present the items on the Agenda. The following items on the agenda were taken up:

**ITEM NO. 1 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE 96<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT HELD ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2008 AND TO NOTE THE ACTION TAKEN THEREON.**

**BM 97.1.1** The item was taken up for consideration. Shri K. Laxman, Secretary, Board of Management informed the Board that the Minutes of the 96<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management were circulated to the members. He informed that a report on the action taken on various decisions of Board taken at its 96<sup>th</sup> meeting have been given in a separate report, placed before the Board.

**BM 97.1.2** He further apprised the Board about the comments received from the Ministry in respect of Item No.9 of the previous meeting of the Board of Management regarding entering into MOUs/MOCs/Agreements with external institutions/agencies. It was clarified that all the suggestions made by the Joint Secretary in the 96<sup>th</sup> meeting were agreed to by the Board. However, the suggestion at (c) for advertising the proposals for MOUs/Agreements was not agreed, as it was apprehended by the Board that this will involve litigations which was not desirable. The above views of the Board were reflected in the Resolution No.96.9.2. The Board also noted the issue raised by the Ministry in their letter regarding the provisions under Statute 7(2)(o) of the IGNOU Act which provides for delegation of powers of Board of Management to Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Registrar or any other authority of the University. The Board agreed that necessary delegations be evolved. Regarding the MOU signed between the Vidya Vardhini Trust, Goa, it was informed that the Administration is reviewing the MOU and no action as

proposed for implementing the MOU before this review is over. As regards the comments vide para (c) of the Ministry's letter *ibid*, it was noted that the decision to grant the scale of pay of Rs.16400-22400 was in accordance with the provisions of FR-49.

**BM 97.1.3** The Board further noted the Action Taken Report by the University on the various decisions taken at its 96<sup>th</sup> meeting and confirmed the minutes of the previous meeting.

**ITEM NO. 2 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 53<sup>RD</sup> MEETING OF THE ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON NOVEMBER 17, 2008.**

**BM 97.2.1** The minutes of the Establishment Committee made at its 53<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 17.11.2008 were tabled before the Board. The Board observed that the minutes should have been circulated to the members in advance so that the members get time for going through those minutes. Therefore, the Secretary requested the members to send their comments, if any, in writing on the Minutes of the Establishment Committee within 10 days. A copy of the Minutes is placed as **Appendix – 1**.

While discussing the minutes of the Establishment Committee, Sh. N.K. Sinha, Joint Secretary, MHRD emphasized that only those items related to the staff for which the Board is the appointing authority need be brought before the BOM. Other Establishment Committee and Grievance Redressal Committee items shall be disposed by the appropriate authority in the University administration. The Board of Management authorized the Vice-Chancellor to take appropriate action on the Grievance Redressal Committee recommendations.

**ITEM NO. 3 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 62<sup>ND</sup> MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD ON NOVEMBER 17, 2008**

**BM 97.3.1** The Minutes of the 62<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 17.11.2008 were tabled before the Board for consideration.

**BM 97.3.2** The Board considered the recommendations of the Finance Committee and approved the Financial Estimates of the University for the year 2009-10, as recommended by the Finance Committee. The Board approved inclusion of budgetary provision for a **Centre for Vocational Education and Training in the Eastern Region in Phulbani District in Orissa** which is one of the most backward Districts in the country with maximum SC/ST population. The Centre already approved by the BOM for the Eastern Region can be located in Phulbani, Orissa. A copy of the Minutes of the 62<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee is placed as **Appendix-2**.

**ITEM NO. 4 TO NOTE THE DECISIONS OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL TAKEN AT ITS 45<sup>TH</sup> MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 24, 2008**

**BM 97.4.1** The minutes of the 45<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council were taken up for consideration. The Board noted the various decisions of the Academic council, an authority of the University under Section 16 of the IGNOU Act, taken at its 45<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 24.10.2008. A copy of the minutes of the Academic Council is placed as **Appendix-3**.

**ITEM NO. 5 TO NOTE THE DECISIONS OF THE 35<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD HELD ON NOVEMBER 19, 2008**

**BM 97.5.1** The Board noted the various decisions of the Planning Board taken at its 35<sup>th</sup> meeting on 19.11.2008, held before the meeting of the Board of Management. While discussing the minutes, the Members pointed out that in conventional universities, the minutes of the academic bodies are not placed before their Boards/Executive Councils. In this context, Dr. V.Venugopal Reddy, Member mentioned that the conventions which are not in accordance with the provisions of Act/Statutes should not be followed in future. He suggested that this practice may be discontinued, unless specific statutory provisions exist in the Act/Statutes regarding the need to report the academic activities to the Board. It was explained that the decisions of the academic bodies/authorities of the University like Planning Board, Academic Council, Research Council are placed before the Board, as some of their decisions require framing of ordinances and statutes and amendments / additions etc. thereunder. And, to approve such

new statutes/ordinances and additions / amendments thereto, the powers are vested with the Board of Management, as per the provisions under Section 25(1) of the IGNOU Act and the Statute 26, thereunder. It was therefore, resolved that the practice followed hitherto may continue.

**BM 97.5.2** The Board noted the decisions taken by the Planning Board, an Authority of the University in terms of provisions under Section 16 (3), made at its 35<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 19.11.2008. A copy of the minutes are enclosed as **Appendix-4**.

**ITEM NO. 6 TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR RECRUITMENT/CAS/APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS TEACHING, ACADEMIC AND NON-ACADEMIC GROUP-‘A’ POSTS**

**BM 97.6.1** The recommendations of the Selection Committee meetings for recruitment / CAS / appointments to various teaching, academic and non-academic positions were placed before the Board and presented by the Chairman. The Board considered and approved the recommendations, as per details given below. Dr. D.K. Paliwal, Dy. Educational Adviser suggested that the Secretary of the Board should ensure that all these posts should have the approval of the competent authority.

**1. Teaching/Academic Positions**

<b>Dates of Meeting</b>	<b>Positions</b>	<b>Names recommended</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
3.10.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Professor, School of Vocational Education and Training (SOVET)</b> in scale of pay of Rs.16400-450-20900-500-22400	Dr. C.Gajendra Naidu	
10.10.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Professor in SOJNMS</b> in scale of pay of Rs.16400-450-20900-500-22400	1. Dr.Shambhu Nath Singh 2. Dr.Jaishri Jethwaney 3. Dr.Kiron Bansal	

10.10.2008	<b>Placement of Asst. Regional Director</b> in the Sr. Scale of Rs.10,000-325-15200	Mrs. Sindhu P. Nair, Regional Centre, Cochin	Recommended from the date of eligibility
6.11.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Reader in School of Tourism, Hospitality Services and Sectoral Management (SOTHSSM)</b> in scale of pay of Rs.12000-420-18300	1. Dr. Harkirat Bains 2. Dr. Punit Gautam 3. Dr. Pawan Gupta	
6.11.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Lecturer in School of Tourism, Hospitality Services and Sectoral Management (SOTHSSM)</b> in scale of pay of Rs.8000-275-13500	<b><u>SC – 1 Post</u></b>  1. Dr. Paramita Suklabaidya  <u>Waiting list</u> Mr.Vijaya Kumar  <b><u>OBC – 1 Post</u></b>  1. Ms.Tangjakhombi akaijam  <u>Waiting list</u> Dr.Heramb Nayak  <b><u>UR - 2 Post</u></b>  1. Dr. Sonia Sharma 2. Mr.Aravind Kumar Dubey  <u>Waiting list</u> Mrs.Geeta Sharma	Pay protection, CAS & 2 advance increments
10.11.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Regional Director (SC/ST)</b> in the scale of pay of Rs.12000-420-18300	<b><u>ST Category</u></b>  Rank No.1- Dr. Yonah Bhutia Rank No.2- Dr. Samuel R. Lyndem	Basic pay recommended – As per rules

		<b><u>SC Category</u></b> Rank No.1 – Dr. Santhosh Kumari Rank No.2-Dr. Raja Rao, S. Rank No.3-Dr. Debabrata Das	Basic pay recommended – As per rules
10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov., 2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Regional Director, RSD (UR)</b> in the scale of pay of Rs.12000-420-18300	1. Dr. Abhilash Nayak 2. Dr. Anil K. Dimri 3. Dr. M.S.Parthasarthy 4. Dr.S.K.Tripathy 5. Dr.Maguni C.Bahera 6. Dr. Ila Das 7. Dr. K. S. Divakaran Nair 8. Dr. S.S. Singh 9. Dr. Rajagopal 10. Dr. M. Rajesh 11. Dr. K.D. Prasad 12. Dr. S. Srinivas 13. Dr. Asha Sharma 14. Dr. Shiva Swaroop 15. Dr. Manorama Singh 16. Dr. Kameswari Murthy 17. Dr. Jagadish Sharma 18. Dr. Biswajeet Bhowmik 19. Dr. D.C. Sharma 20. Dr. Arjun Kumar 21. Dr. Manoj Kumar Dash	
11.11.2008	<b>Placement of Asst. Regional Directors of RSD</b> in Selection Grade under CAS in the scale of pay of Rs.12000-420-18300	1. Sh.T. Krishnan 2. Mrs. Avani Trivedi	Recommended Recommended
12.11.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Joint Director (RSD)</b> in the scale of pay of Rs.16400-450-20900	1. Dr. T.R. Srinivasan 2. Dr. R.C. Sharma 3. Dr. Sanjeev Pandey 4. Dr. Amit Chaturvedi	
12.11.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Dy. Director, NECRD</b> in scale of pay of Rs.12000-420-18300	1. Dr.Sujatha Dutta Hazarika 2. Dr. Anil C.Borah 3. Dr.Debabrata Das	3 Advance increments

12.11.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Officer on Special Duty (NIVET &amp; IPCAT)</b> in scale of pay of Rs.16400-450-20900-500-22400	1. Dr.D.S. Bhattacharjee 2. Dr.A.S.Gupta (NIVET) 3. Dr.Debjani Roy (NIVET)	
15.11.2008	For promotion to the <b>post of Professor of Hindi under CAS</b> in the scale of pay of Rs.16400-450-20900-500-22400	Dr. Vimal Thorat	Recommended from the date of eligibility
16.11.2008	<b>Placement of Lecturer in Health Sciences in Senior Scale</b> in scale of pay of Rs.10000-325-15200	Dr. Biplab Jamatia	Recommended
16.11.2008	<b>Promotion to post of Professor of Chemistry under CAS</b> in scale of pay of Rs.16400-450-20900-500-22400	1. Dr. B.I. Fozdar 2. Dr. J.A. Farooqui	Recommended Recommended
16.11.2008	<b>Promotion to the post of Professor of Life Sciences</b> under CAS in scale of pay of Rs.16400-450-20900-500-22400	Dr. Amrita Nigam	Recommended
16.11.2008	<b>Placement of Lecturer in Chemistry</b> in Senior Scale of Rs.10000-325-15200	Dr. Kamalika Banerjee (Kar)	Recommended
17.11.2008	Appointment of <b>Professor and Officer on Special Duty, P&amp;DD</b>	Dr. Kalpana Mishra, Former Regional Director, IGNOU, Ahmedabad	Professor's /Senior Director's Grade
17.11.2008	Appointment to the <b>post of Professor and Director, Advance Centre for Informatics and Innovative Learning (ACIL)</b>	Dr. K. Subramanian, Retd. Sr. Dy. Director General – NIC, Ministry of Communications and Inf. Technology	Professor's Grade.
18.11.2008	Appointment of <b>Professor and Coordinator – Officer on Special Duty, Centre</b>	Sh. P.R.R. Nair, Registrar, National University of Educational Planning & Administration (NUEPA),	Professor's Grade. Refer AC minutes (45.4.4) dt.

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## 2. Non-Academic Group 'A' post

7.11.2008	Appointment of <b>Joint Director, ERP</b>	Er. Arun Kumar Verma	
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**ITEM NO.7 To report the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in nominating one Member to the Planning Board under Clause (1)(iv)(e) of Statute 10**

**BM 97.7.1** The Board noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in nominating Shri Anil K. Agarwal as member on the Planning Board of the University under Clause (1)(iv)(e) of Statute 10.

**ITEM NO. 8 TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL FOR AMENDMENT TO CLAUSE 5 AND 11.2.V(C) OF IGNOU HOUSE ALLOTMENT RULES**

**BM 97.8.1** The item was taken up for consideration. The members suggested that the Govt. of India policy, in respect of the transit accommodation as well as in the matter of retention of houses while on deputation / lien / EOL, be followed in the University.

**( Item Nos. 9 to 17 were deferred )**

**ITEM NO. 18 TO CONSIDER THE ARRANGEMENT MADE FOR DECEMBER, 2008 TERM END EXAMINATION**

**BM 97.18.1** The Board noted the arrangements made for Term end Examination commencing from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008.

**BM 97.18.2** The Members observed that such type of items of routine activities may not be placed before the Board and directed that the same may be taken care of by Division itself, so that the Board may devote its precious time for the policy matters.

**ITEM NO.19 FAST TRACK PRIMARY TEACHER'S TRAINING & VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROJECT FOR BIHAR**

**BM 97.19.1** The Board resolved to take up the project as collaborative project with the Bihar Govt. & Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Ltd. (IL&FS). The details of the Project are placed as **Appendix-5**.

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

**(V.N. RAJASEKHARAN PILLAI)**  
**Chairman**