

Association of Indian Universities Research Division

Minutes

Minutes of the Meeting of the Research Committee held at 11.30 p.m. on October 27, 2017 at AIU House, New Delhi

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Prof P. B. Sharma, Vice Chancellor, Amity University, Haryana and President AIU, Dr Surendra Dubey, Vice Chancellor, Bundelkhand University, Prof Stephen Mavelly, Vice Chancellor, Assam Don Bosco University, Guwahati could not attend the Meeting due to some prior commitment. Prof Sandeep Sancheti, Vice Chancellor, Manipal, University, Jaipur & Vice President, AIU Chaired the Meeting.

Secretary General welcomed the members and Dr Amarendra Pani, Deputy Director and In charge of Research Division and Secretary of Research Committee presented a brief background and activities of the Research Division, following which the agenda items were taken up.



1. To confirm the Minutes of the Research Committee Meeting held on January 05, 2017.

Confirmed

2. To consider the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the Research Committee Meeting January 05, 2017.

Noted

[Resolution: While taking appraisal of the Action Taker Report of the Meeting held on January 17, 2015 it was suggested by the members that the outcome of the Seminars, conferences, workshops and other programmes such as Roundtables of Vice Chancellors should be disseminated to the stakeholders by uploading in AIU website and publishing in University News. It was also suggested that the web portal of AIU should be regularly updated and the reports of all such programmes should be uploaded on the AIU web site and the link of the same be reported in the Research Committee]

3. To report the successful organization of a International conference on 'The Changing Landscape of Internationalization of Higher Education' at Symbiosis International University, Pune in collaboration with the Association of Indian Universities (AIU).

Note: A request was received from Symbiosis International University seeking collaboration of AIU in organizing an International Conference on Changing Landscape of Internationalization of Higher Education at Symbiosis International University on **April 08-10, 2017**. The Research Division collaborated and provided necessary support in successfully organizing the Conference. Financial Grant to the tune of **Rs. 5.00 lakhs** was sanctioned. No advance amount was released. The total sanctioned amount will be released after receiving the Utilization Certificate and the Report of the Event from Symbiosis. **The report is awaited**

Noted

4. To report the successful organization of a Conference of Vice Chancellors of Public Funded Universities at Osmania University, Hyderabad **April 27-28, 2017**

Note: A request was received from Osmania University, Hyderabad seeking collaboration of AIU in organizing a Conference of Vice Chancellors of Public Funded Universities on the occasion of the 'Centenary Celebrations' of Osmania University. The Research Division collaborated and played the role of academic partner and provided academic support such as deciding themes, sub-themes, speakers, etc. The title of the Roundtable was **Hyderabad Hour for Higher Education - 2017**. Financial Grant to the tune of **Rs. 4.00 lakhs (Four Lakhs)** was allocated. **Rs. 2.00 Lakhs** was remitted as **Advance**. The remaining amount will be released after receiving Utilization Certificate and the Report of the Event. The report is awaited

Noted

Handy

5. To Report the Publication of the Research Study Report on '**Regulation of Higher Education in India: A Study of Select Countries**'

Note: A letter was received from Joint Secretary, MHRD desiring AIU to take up a Study on Higher Education Regulation of India, USA and Singapore and submit the Report to MHRD. It was decided to cover six countries such as **India, USA, Singapore, Germany, France and China** under the purview of the study. The Study was conducted and report was submitted to MHRD. The report was published in printed form and circulated to all member Universities.

Noted

6. To Report the Publication of **Research Compendium on Anveshan**: Student Research Conventions organized at zonal and national level in the year 2016-17

Note: Anveshan: the National Student Research Convention was organized at Anamalai University, Tamil Nadu in which 75 Research Projects selected at Zonal Level Conventions were presented out of which 15 best projects in five categories such as Basic Science, Engineering & Technology, Health and Allied Sciences, Agriculture, Social Science & Humanities; Business Management, Law were selected and cash award with mementoes and certificates was awarded. The abstract of the Research Projects were compiled, edited and published in the form of Compendium.

Noted

7. To consider organizing the following National Workshops/Seminars in 2017-18.

- i. National Workshop on Emerging Trends in Information Technology in University Management
- ii. National Workshop on Management of University Administration
- iii. National Workshop on Research Methodology in Social Sciences
- iv. National Workshop on Examination Reforms in Higher Education
- v. National Seminar on Women's Studies in India

[Note: All the Five events are the regular activities of the Research Division. As per MHRD Guidelines, one event is to be held in one of the North Eastern States. Considering the demand for Workshops / Seminar i.e. Research Methodology in social sciences, Women in Higher Education, Management of Higher Education and Examination Reforms in Higher Education, two workshops/seminar of each were organized in the current FY year. One National Workshop on Emerging Trends in Information Technology in University Management was held in the Financial Year 2016-17. Notifications inviting proposals for collaboration from member universities were given in University News and in AIU Website. In view of the time constraints the received proposals were shortlisted and programmes were allocated which may be ratified by the Committee]. The Reports of these events are annexed in Annexure -III.

Approved

Handy

8. To report the organization of the Roundtable of Vice Chancellors of Health University at Sri Venkateswar Institute of Medical Science University, Tirupati on October 10-11, 2017

[Note: It was resolved in the Research Committee Meeting in 2015-16 to organize Ten Roundtables of Vice Chancellors of Universities in various disciplines. Four Roundtables such as, Sanskrit, State Universities, Private Universities, Engineering & Technology were already held earlier. The Roundtable of Vice Chancellors of Health Science Universities is the Fifth in Series. A financial support of Rs. 3.00 lakhs was sanctioned for the event out of which Rs. 1.50 lakhs has been paid as advance. The remaining balance will be paid after receiving the Report and Utilization Certificate from the Host University]

Noted

[**Resolution:** It was suggested that while organizing the Roundtables, Discipline based Clusters should be formed and follow up action to be taken on the recommendations drawn from these events. Roundtables be organized around specific themes. The compiled recommendations to be presented to the Governing Council before submitting the same to the relevant agencies]

9. To report the Scheduling/Rescheduling of the Roundtable of Vice Chancellors of Open and Distance Education Universities

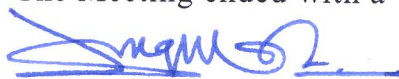
[**Note:** A proposal was received from the Vice Chancellor of Dr. B R Ambedkar Open University, Hyderabad seeking AIU Collaboration in organizing the above Roundtable. The proposal was accepted and the Roundtable was scheduled to be held on September 27-18, 2017. The Research Division provided necessary academic support and a Financial support of **Rs. 3.00 lakhs** was sanctioned. Due to Semester Examinations in the university a request was received from the Vice Chancellor to postpone the Event. **The Event is to be rescheduled but the dates are yet to be finalized.**

Noted

10. To consider the proposal for organizing **Anveshan: Student Research Convention** for the financial year 2017-18

Approved

The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.



[Prof Furqan Qamar]
Secretary General



[Prof Sandeep Sancheti]
Chairman