



KRISHNA KANTA HANDIQUI STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY

Proceedings of the 25th Meeting of the Board of Management held on 30th December, 2014

Members present:

1. Vice Chancellor - Chairperson
2. Professor M. Taher
3. Professor T. R. Taid
4. Ms. A. Gogoi
5. Professor I. M. Das
6. Shri A. M. Mazumder
7. Deputy Secretary, Finance Department , GoA
8. Dean (Academic)
9. Dean (Study Centre)
10. Registrar – Member Secretary

1. Agenda item No. 1: Introductory remarks by Vice-Chancellor

While extending a warm welcome to all the Hon'ble members of the Board, the Vice-Chancellor apprised the Board of Management of the following developments.

- i) A three-day Workshop from 15/09/14 to 17/09/14 was organised jointly by this University and the Commonwealth for Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA) at Guwahati on Open Educational Resources (OER) where 30 faculty members of KKHSOU and Gauhati University participated.
- ii) A three-day Workshop from 02/12/14 to 04/12/14 was jointly organised by this University and CEMCA where resource persons from the Electronic Sector Council under National Skill Development Council (NSDC) participated. The objective of the workshop was to align the syllabi of various vocational programmes of this University with the National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) developed by NSDC. The Education Minister of the state inaugurated the workshop. About 25 faculty members of various engineering based technical Institutions from both public and private sectors participated.
- iii) Commonwealth of Learning conducted a three-day Workshop for administrative leaderships on Open Educational Resources at Dhaka

during 11/12/14 to 13/12/14. The Registrar attended the Workshop where several Vice-Chancellors of Open Universities of India and Bangladesh participated.

Resolution No. BM/25/1/2014 : Resolved that the introductory remarks made by the Vice-Chancellor be noted.

2. **Agenda item No. 2** : To consider the confirmation of the proceedings of the 24th meeting of the Board of Management held on 24th September, 2014.

The draft of the proceedings of the 24th meeting of the Board of Management held on 24th September, 2014 was placed before the Board of Management for consideration for confirmation.

Resolution No. BM/25/2/2014: Resolved that the proceedings of the 24th meeting of the Board of Management held on 24th September, 2014 be confirmed.

3. **Agenda item No. 3**: To apprise the action taken report on the decisions of the 24th meeting of the BoM .

The very short 24th meeting of the BoM held on 24 September, 2014 had only one item for which action had to be taken. Registrar reported that a three member Committee was constituted with Registrar, Director (CIQA) and Dean (Study Centre) to frame rules on the matter of free education to the spouse and children of Security forces killed in encounter while on duty.

Resolution No. BM/25/3/2014 : Resolved that the report of the Registrar be noted.

4. **Agenda item No. 4** : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Deputy Registrar (Administration)

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 4-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the name of the following candidate for appointment

1. Dr. Ratul Kumar Patowary

Resolution No. BM/25/4/2014: Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Dr. Ratul Kumar Patowary be appointed as Deputy Registrar (Administration). Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

5. **Agenda item No. 5** : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Deputy Registrar (Academic).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 4-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the name of ^{the} following candidate for appointment

1. Dr. Limpon Borah

Resolution No. BM/25/5/2014: *Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Dr. Limpon Borah be appointed as Deputy Registrar (Academic). Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment would be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.*

6. **Agenda item No. 6** : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Translator.

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 9-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee did not recommend the name of any candidate for appointment.

Resolution No. BM/25/6/2014: *Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted. Resolved further that the post be re-advertised.*

7. **Agenda item No. 7** : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Section Officer (three posts)

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 5-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of the following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the three posts:

1. Shri B. rinchi Bora
2. Shri Sanjay Kumar Deka
3. Shri Mukul Kalita
4. Shri Dul Kumar Nath
5. Shri Zakirul Alam

Resolution No. BM/21/7/2013: *Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that the following persons be appointed as Assistant Section Officers*

1. Shri Birinchi Bora
2. Shri Sanjay Kumar Deka
3. Shri Mukul Kalita

Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

8. **Agenda item No. 8 :** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Senior Accounts Assistant (one post)

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 5-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following in order of preference for appointment to the post of Senior Accounts Assistant.

1. Rana Hazarika
2. Shri Hirtak Jyoti Goswami

Resolution No. BM/25/8/2014 : *Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Shri Rana Hazatrika be appointed as Senior Accounts Assistant. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.*

9. **Agenda item No. 9 :** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Library Assistant (one post)

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 9-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post of Library Assistant

1. Ms. Anupama Chetia
2. Ms. Runa Pathak

Resolution No. BM/25/9/2014 : *Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Anupama Chetia be appointed as Library Assistant. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.*

- 10. Agenda item No. 10 :** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Book Arranger (one post)

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 21-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post of Book Arranger

3. Ms. Pahari Das
4. Shri Biswajit Dev Choudhury

Resolution No. BM/25/10/2014 : **Resolved** that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Pahari Das be appointed as Book Arranger. **Resolved** further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

- 11. Agenda item No. 11 :** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Attendant-cum-Electrician (one post) .

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 19-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post of Attendant cum Electrician

1. Shri Nabajit Sarma
2. Shri Jogeswar Nath

Resolution No. BM/25/11/2014 : **Resolved** that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Shri Nabajit Sarma be appointed as Attendant-cum-Electrician. **Resolved** further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

- 12. Agenda item No. 12 :** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Attendant-cum-Driver (two posts) .

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 29-12-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the two posts of Attendant-cum-Driver

1. Rajib Kalita
2. Shri Dhan Das
3. Shri Kushul Medhi

Resolution No. BM/25/12/2014 : Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Shri Rajib Kalita and Shri Dhan Das be appointed as Attendant-cum-Driver. **Resolved** further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

- 13. Agenda item No. 13 :** To consider the Status of interview for the posts of Professor of Social Sciences, Professor of Humanities, Professor of Management, Professor Teachers' Education, Associate Professor of Humanities, Associate Professor of Computer Science, Associate Professor of Social Sciences, Associate Professor of Commerce and Associate Professor of Management.

Applications were invited for the posts Professor of Social Sciences, Professor of Humanities, Professor of Management, Professor Teachers' Education, Associate Professor of Humanities, Associate Professor of Computer Science, Associate Professor of Social Sciences, Associate Professor of Teacher Education, Associate Professor of Commerce and Associate Professor of Management vide advertisement No. R-2/2014. None of the applicants fulfils the required API score of 400 for the post of Professor and 300 for the post of Associate Professor fixed by UGC except only one applicant for the post of Associate Professor of Social Sciences.

Placed before the Board to consider a decision.

Resolution No. BM/25/13/2014 : Resolved that all the above mentioned posts be re-advertised. **Resolved** further that the single applicant fulfilling the API score need not apply again.

- 14. Agenda item No. 14 :** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of English (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 29-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of the following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

1. Ms. Pallabi Gogoi
2. Ms. Chayanika Roy
3. Ms. Manali Jain

Resolution No. BM/25/14/2014:Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Pallabi Gogoi be appointed as Assistant Professor in English. **Resolved** further that the appointment letter be

issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

- 15. Agenda item No. 15 :** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Education (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 20-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

1. Ms. Indrani Kalita
2. Ms. Aradhana Dutta

Resolution No. BM/25/15/2014: Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Indrani Kalita be appointed as Assistant Professor in Education. **Resolved** further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

- 16. Agenda item No. 16 :** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Sociology (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 25-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

- (i) Ms. Stuti Parasar
- (ii) Ms. Tamsim Aftab

Resolution No. BM/25/16/2014: Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Stuti Parasar be appointed as Assistant Professor in Sociology. **Resolved** further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

- 17. Agenda item No. 17:** To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Social Works (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 29-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

- (i) Ms. Mridusmita Duara
- (ii) Ms. Priyanka Baruah

Resolution No. BM/25/17/2014: *Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Mridusmita Duara be appointed as Assistant Professor in Social Work. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.*

18. Agenda item No. 18 : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Economics (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 8-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

- i. Shri Subhashish Gogoi
- ii. Ms. Chaitali Rani Dutta
- iii. Ms. Rumia Begum

Resolution No. BM/25/18/2014: *Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Shri Subhashish Gogoi be appointed as Assistant Professor in Economics. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.*

19. Agenda item No. 19: To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Political Science (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 9-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

- (i) Ms. Jahnabi Devi

- (ii) Ms. Trishna Rani Borah

Resolution No. BM/25/19/2014: Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Jahnabi Devi be appointed as Assistant Professor in Political Science. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

20. Agenda item No. 20 : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Teacher Education (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 10-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

- (i) Ms. Tarali Pathak
- (ii) Ms. Sradhanjali Pradhan
- (iii) Shri Nabin Thakur

Resolution No. BM/25/20/2014: Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Tarali Pathak be appointed as Assistant Professor in Teacher Education. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

21. Agenda item No. 21 : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of History (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 07-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

- (i) Ms. Sukhmaya Lama
- (ii) Shri Pintu Roy

Resolution No. BM/25/21/2014: Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Sukhmaya Lama be appointed as Assistant Professor in History. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

22. Agenda item No. 22 : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Agricultural Science (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 27-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment

- (i) Ms. Sarmistha Rani Baruah
- (ii) Ms. Parthana Rajkumari

Resolution No. BM/25/22/2014: Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Sarmistha Rani Baruah be appointed as Assistant Professor in Agricultural Science. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

23. Agenda item No. 23 : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Computer Science (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 22-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment

- (i) Ms. Sruti Sruba Bharali
- (ii) Shri Hiten Choudhury

Resolution No. BM/25/23/2014: Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Ms. Sruti Sruba Bharali be appointed as Assistant Professor in Computer Science. Resolved further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

24. **Agenda item No. 24** : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Library Science (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 11-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

- (i) Dr. Badan Barman
- (ii) Dr. Gauri Shankar Karmakar

Resolution No. BM/25/24/2014:Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Dr. Badan Barman be appointed as Assistant Professor in Library Science. **Resolved** further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

25. **Agenda item No. 25** : To consider the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Commerce (One post).

The recommendation of the Selection Committee presided over by the Vice-Chancellor held on 29-11-2014 was placed in the meeting of the Board. The Selection Committee recommended the names of following candidates in order of preference for appointment to the post

- (i) Shri Dipankar Malakar
- (ii) Ms. Arpita Sarma Nath

Resolution No. BM/25/25/2014:Resolved that the recommendation of the Selection Committee be accepted and that Shri Dipankar Malakar be appointed as Assistant Professor in Commerce. **Resolved** further that the appointment letter be issued as per the terms of appointment under the University rules without waiting for confirmation. The appointment shall be for the period as per the provision in the ordinance including a year on probation.

26. **Agenda item No. 26** : To consider the report relating to the recommendation of the Selection Committee for the appointment of Assistant Professor of Instrumentation/Electronics following Hon'ble High Court's interim order.

Registrar reported that a case had been filed against the University by Ms. Antara Mahanta Baruah, an Academic Consultant of the University, challenging the selection of candidate(s) for the post of Assistant Professor in Instrumentation/Electronics and the Hon'ble Court stayed the appointment to the

post till the matter was settled. Registrar also reported that Ms. Antara Mahanta Baruah also wrote to Vice-Chancellor on 28-11-2014 questioning the eligibility of another candidate Dr. Nabankur Pathak who was also another Academic Consultant of this University.

Resolution No. BM/25/26/2014 : Resolved that the report placed by the Registrar be noted and that the matter of appointment to the post of Assistant Professor in Instrumentation/Electronics be taken up after the verdict of the Court on the case .

- 27. Agenda item No. 27 :** To consider the appointment of all the selected candidates for a mandatory probation period of one year and to consider to approve the validity of the select lists prepared in order of merit by the Selection Committees for a period of one year from the date of their approval in view of the possibility of inability of some candidates to join or their unwillingness to continue after joining but within one year as stipulated. Placed before the Board for a decision.

Resolution No. BM/25/27/2014 : Discussed the matter in detail. As done in case of earlier appointments, it was resolved that all the appointees would remain on probation for a period of one year from the date of joining the post. It was also resolved further that the selected list of candidates recommended by the Selection Committees would remain valid for a period of one year.

- 28. Agenda item No. 28 :** To consider the representation of Dr. Badan Barman.

Dr. Badan Barman who worked as an Academic Consultant in the Department of Library Science for about 3 years and also worked as Assistant Librarian for more than one year in this University, has now been appointed as Assistant Professor in Library Science . He had made a representation to the Vice Chancellor in the Selection Committee meeting while appearing before the Selection Committee to place him in the higher grade if selected. The representation is placed before the Board for discussion.

Resolution No. BM/25/28/2014 : Resolved that a Committee be constituted with the following members to look into the UGC Regulations and the contents of the representation and to submit a report on all the options to be placed in the next meeting of the Board.

1. Professor I. M. Das
2. Director , CIQA
3. Registrar - Convener

29. Agenda item No. 29: To consider the ex-post-facto approval of the examination results already declared by the University

Resolution No. BM/25/29/2014 : Resolved that the matter be ~~deferred~~^{deffered} to the next meeting .

30. Agenda item No. 30: To consider the declaration of Ph.D. degree

Ms. Shashwati Nath submitted her Ph.D. thesis for evaluation and award of the Ph.D. degree. On recommendation of the examiners, the Viva Voce examination of the candidate held on 21st December 2014, was conducted by Professor B. Mipun and Professor Mofruja Rahman, the Guide, who recommended the award of the Ph.D. degree to the candidate. Details are furnished below:

Name and address Of the Candidate	Ms. Shashwati Nath Assistant Professor, Saraighat College, Changsari
Title of the thesis	"Socio-economic Scenario of the Riverine Population along the Dhansiri (South) river with special reference to flood, Channel Migration and Erosion hazard"
Name of the guide	Dr. Mafruja Rahman, Department of Geography, Cotton College
Name of Examiners	1. Professor B. S. Mipun Head, Departmental Geography, NEHU, Shillong 2. Professor S. Sarkar Head, Department of Geography, North Bengal University 3. Dr. Mofruja Rahman Department of Geography, Cotton College
The Viva-voce examination was conducted by Professor B. S. Mipun and Dr. Mofruja Rahman	

Placed before the Board to consider the award of the Ph.D. degree to Ms. Shashwati Nath.

Resolution No. BM/25/30/2014 : Resolved that Ms. Shashwati Nath be awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy for her thesis entitled "Socio-economic Scenario of the Riverine Population along the Dhansiri (South) river with special reference to flood, Channel Migration and Erosion hazard".

31. Agenda item No. 31: To consider the approval of the University Budget for 2015-16 and also revised Budget for 2014-15

The Finance Committee in its meeting held on 29th December, 2014, adopted the University Budget for the year 2015-16 and also approved the revised

budget for 2014-15. Registrar placed the Budget before the Board for consideration of approval.

Resolution No. BM/25/31/2014 : Resolved that the draft budget for 2015-16 and the revised budget for 2014-15 recommended by the Finance Committee be approved.

- 32. Agenda item No. 32:** To consider the administrative approval of Rs. 38.00 crores for the construction of the Administrative and Academic Block of the University at Patgaon, Rani.

The Government of Assam in a meeting with the members of Board of Management in February, 2013 presided over by the Hon'ble Chief Minister agreed to release an amount of Rs. 50.00 crores from the fund at the disposal of Assam Infrastructure Financing Authority to this University for construction of building and development of infrastructure. The University accordingly submitted the detailed proposal immediately, but no fund has been sanctioned and released by the Government till date. Since the University needs adequate space for academic and administrative activities at the permanent campus for smooth functioning, the Construction Committee and the Finance Committee approved the proposal of Rs. 37.85 crores for the first phase of construction of Academic and Administrative Blocks at the permanent campus, the DPR of which has been prepared by the University Architect. It may be noted that the University is paying about Rs. 31 lakhs as rent annually for buildings for academic and administrative activities in and around Housefed Complex and this amount can be saved once the University's activities are shifted from the rented buildings to its own building at the permanent campus. The University has some savings to meet the required fund in phases for the construction. Once the State government fund is the expenditure incurred out of the University's own resource will be recouped.

Placed before the Board for a final approval.

Resolution No. BM/25/32/2014 : Discussed the matter in detail. Considering the urgency of accommodation at its permanent campus, the proposal for the construction of Academic and Administrative blocks at the cost of Rs. 37.85 crores be agreed to.

- 33. Agenda item No. 33 :** To consider the recommendation of the Committee constituted for selection of new Study Centres and additional academic programmes of the existing Study Centres {Annexures – I and I(A)}

Resolution No. BM/25/33/2014 : Resolved that the new Study Centres as per Annexure I and I(A) be approved for the programmes shown against their names.

Also resolved that the new programmes allotted to the existing Study Centres shown against their names be approved.

- 34. Agenda item No. 34 :** To consider the services of ICICI bank and Assam Gramin Vikash Bank in addition to the services of our existing banker, SBI, Beltola.

It is felt that the University should not be dependent on a single bank, which at times tend to take its customers for granted. For example, following their own interpretation of RBI guidelines, the SBI branches, on instruction from their Regional Office, have unilaterally converted all savings bank accounts of our Study Centres maintained by them to current account resulting in loss in terms of interest earned from savings bank account. The matter was brought to the notice of AGM of SBI, Regional Office, over phone and in writing, but no reply has been received so far. Besides, ICICI Bank, a private but scheduled bank, the second largest in the country and Assam Gramin Vikash Bank (AGVB), a public sector bank which is the largest bank in terms of bank branches operating in Assam (more than 400) and total transaction, ^{in a year.} When AGVB is a state government oriented bank, the ICICI has been authorized by RBI to conduct government business including the State government business.

Placed before the Board for consideration and decision.

Resolution No. BM/25/34/2014 : Accepted the proposal in principle. The University administration is authorized to look into the pros and cons of the proposals and submit the same to the Board for a final decision in the best interest of the University, the Study Centres and the learners. The offer of the Assam Gramin Vikash Bank be also considered while taking decision.

- 35. Agenda item No. 35 :** To consider the engagement of a project engineer for the proposed construction at permanent campus.

In view of proposed construction of Academic and Administrative Blocks at Patgaon, Vice Chancellor proposed that a Project Engineer was required to be appointed to supervise the quality of construction as per the DPR. He also suggested to the Board that the PWD (Buildings) Superintendent Engineer Sri Surjya Baruah who had been associated with the University as member of the Construction Committee representing the Chief Engineer and retired from the service recently, could be engaged as the Project Engineer.

Resolution No. BM/25/35/2014 : The Board accepted the proposal and resolved that Sri Surjya Baruah be appointed as the project engineer initially for a period of two years from the date of commencement of the actual construction work suggesting that the monthly honorarium should not exceed Rs. 30,000.

36. **Agenda item No, 36** : To consider the matter relating to the date of effect of the increments entitled due to award of Ph.D. degree while in service.

Registrar reported that as per UGC regulations, an Assistant Professor was entitled 3 additional increments if he/she was awarded Ph.D. degree while in service from the date of award of the Ph.D. degree. But as per the Assam Government rules, annual increment to an employee is effective from the 1st July of the year. A few Assistant Professors of the University were awarded Ph.D. degree while in service.

Placed the matter before the Board for a decision.

The Deputy Secretary , Finance, Government of Assam, who was also present in the meeting as the representative of the Commissioner and Secretary to the Finance Department, GoA, was requested by the Board to give the view of State government so that the same could be placed in the next meeting of the Board for a decision.

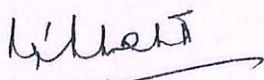
Resolution No. BM/25/36/2014 : Resolved that the view of the government of Assam be obtained for a final decision.

37. **Agenda item No. 37** : To consider the matter relating to the provision of relief materials to the victims of recent violence in Kokrajhar and Sonitpur districts.

Registrar reported that a team of teaching and non-teaching staff of the University would visit certain relief camps in the wake of recent violence in Kokrajhar district to distribute certain essential goods out of the fund contributed by the employees of the University. Members of the Board also suggested that an amount of Rs. 1.00 lakh might be contributed by the University to purchase and distribute warm cloths like blankets.

Resolution No. BM/25/37/2014 : Discussed the matter in detail. Resolved that an amount of Rs. 1 lakh be sanctioned and released to provide relief materials to the victims of recent violence in the State, now accommodated in the relief campus.

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


Registrar


Vice Chancellor