# PROCEEDINGS OF THE 65<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF KRISHNA KANTA HANDIQUI STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY HELD ON 30.12.2021 AT 11 AM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, CITY OFFICE, KHANAPARA

#### **Members Present:**

1) Vice Chancellor (i/c) : Chairperson

2) Prof. Amalendu Chakraborty : Member
3) Dr. Mridul Hazarika : Member
4) Dr. Sangeeta Gogoi : Member

5) Ms. Tarali Das : Member

Deputy Secretary

Representative from Secretary,

Education (Higher) Deptt., Govt. of Assam

6) Ms. Geetanjali Ahmed Nayyar, : Member

Joint secretary

Representative from Commissioner& Secretary

Finance Deptt., Govt. of Assam

7) Dean (Study Centre) : Member 8) Dean (Academic) i/c : Member

9) Registrar : Member Secretary

### Item No. 1: Vice Chancellor's address of welcome and introductory briefing.

Before calling the meeting to order, the Vice Chancellor (i/c), on behalf of the University, welcomed all the esteemed members of the Board to the 65<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Management. He then appraised the following information concerning the period since the last meeting of the Board of Management held on 24.09.2021 before the Board of Management:

1. The Peer Team of NAAC visited the University for Cycle 1 Assessment and Accreditation during 16-18 December, 2021 and subsequently the University was accredited with Grade B+. The detail will be discussed later as a separate agenda item.

- 2. The admission process for the academic year 2021-22 has been completed. A total of 13,725 learners got enrolled in various PG, UG, Diploma and Certificate programmes of the University.
- 3. The Induction Programme for the newly enrolled learners was organized by the University online through Zoom Platform on 7 November, 2021. Subsequently, the Study centres of the University also organized Induction Programme individually for the newly admitted learners of their respective study centres on 14 November, 2021.
- 4. a) The services of the following employees have been confirmed with effect from the date of completion of their respective Probation Period
  - i. Dr. Ridip Dev Choudhury, Associate Professor in Computer Science
  - ii. Dr Sanjib Ghimire, Assistant Regional Director
  - iii. Dr Sanjib Bora, Assistant Professor in Assamese
  - iv. Dr Dibyajyoti Mahanta, Dean (Study Centres)
  - b) However, the probation period of the following employees has been extended for another one year with effect from the date of completion of their respective statutory period of Probation as they are in their lien period.
    - i. Dr Pranjit Bora, Professor in Padmanath Gohain Baruah School of Humanities
    - ii. Dr. Gobinda Deka, Associate Professor in Commerce
  - c) The University has not received any communication from Dr Deepak Kalita, Finance Officer regarding grant of his lien from Government of Assam.
  - d) The matter regarding continuation of service of Prof. Jyotirekha G. Handique has already been discussed in 64<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Management.
- 5. The 5<sup>th</sup> Banikanta Kakati Memorial Lecture was delivered by Prof. Sailen Bharali, Former Professor, Gauhati University on 15 November, 2021. The topic was "Banikanta Kkati's Contribution to Indian Literature".

- 6. The 16<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day of the University was celebrated on 11December, 2021. The Foundation Day lecture on "Supporting learners in distance and online learning: lessons for educators" was delivered online by Dr.Sanjaya Mishra, Education Specialist, eLearning, Commonwealth of Learning, Vancouver, Canada. It was followed by a plantation and cleanliness drive and a Cultural Programme.
- 7. A day-long National Webinar was organized in collaboration with National Commission for Women, New Delhi on the theme "Unequal Pay: Gender Discrimination at Work Place" on 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2021.
- 8. An online lecture was organized on 3 December, 2021 with the topic "Environmental Ethics: An overview" to celebrate the World Philosophy Day.

**Resolution No. BM/65/1/2021:** Resolved that the above appraisal of the Vice Chancellor be noted and endorsed.

# Item No.2 Confirmation of the proceedings of the 63<sup>rd</sup> and 64<sup>th</sup> (Emergent) Meetings of the Board of Management.

The copies of the Proceedings of the 63<sup>rd</sup> and 64<sup>th</sup> (Emergent) meetings of the Board of Management was placed before the Board of Management for consideration and approval.

**Resolution No. BM/65/2/2021:** Resolved that the proceedings of the 63<sup>rd</sup> and 64<sup>th</sup> (Emergent) Meetings of the Board of Management be approved as reproduced below.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 63<sup>rd</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF KRISHNA KANTA HANDIQUI STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY HELD ON 24.09.2021 AT 11 AM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL, CITY OFFICE, KHANAPARA

#### Members Present:

6) Vice Chancellor (i/c)

7) Prof. Amalendu Chakrabarty

8) Prof. Muneesh Kumar

9) Prof. Hem Chandra Gautam

10) Dr. Mridul Hazarika

11) Prof. Anil Kumar Boro

: Chairperson

: Member

: Member (online)

: Member

: Member

: Member

12) Dr. Sangeeta Gogoi

: Member

13) Ms. Tarali Das

: Member

Deputy Secretary

Deputy Secretary

Representative from Secretary,

Education (Higher) Deptt., Govt. of Assam

8) Ms. Geetanjali Ahmed Nayyar,

: Member

Joint secretar, Representative from Commissioner & Secretary

Finance Deptt., Govt. of Assam

9) Dean (Study Centre)

: Member

10)Dean (Academic) i/c

: Member

11) Registrar

: Member Secretary

#### Item No. 1: Vice Chancellor's address of welcome and introductory briefing.

Before calling the meeting to order, the Vice Chancellor (i/c), on behalf of the University, welcomed all the esteemed members of the Board to the 63<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Board of Management. He then appraised the following information concerning the period since the last meeting of the Board of Management held on 10.08.2021 before the Board of Management:

- 9. An official communication was received from the Governor's Secretariat dated 13th August, 2021 informing that Prof. Kandarpa Das, Vice Chancellor, KKHSOU has been placed under suspension with immediate effect in relation to his previous association with Gauhati University as Director, Institute of Distance and Open Learning. Further, Dr. Nripendra Narayan Sarma was handed over the charge of VC, KKHSOU until further order to continue the normal functioning of the University.
- 10. The University celebrated the 75th Independence Day on 15.08. 2021 with flag hoisting by the Vice Chancellor (i/c) followed by a drawing competition among the members of KKHSOU family.
- 11. The Vice Chancellor (i/c) and the Registrar appraised the Hon'ble Chancellor and Governor of Assam about the functioning of the University on 23 August, 2021 at 11 AM at the office of the Hon'ble Chancellor.
- 12. As per UGC guidelines, the University started the Admission process for the session 2021-2022. Like the previous year, ten MTS of the University has been deployed at the City centre as Sikharthee Mitra to help the new learners and facilitate the admission process. Around 3200 learners got enrolled in various programmes till date. The admission will continue till September 30, 2021. However, a letter has already been sent to the UGC requesting for extension of the last date of admission as most of the Universities in the State of Assam has not declared their UG results till date.
- 13. The Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA), KKHSOU organized two online workshops on Leadership Development for the officers and on Question Paper Setting for the faculty members of the University.
- 14. During the last period the Schools of Studies continued their academic activities and organized a number of web lectures such as:
  - I. Special web lecture organized by Surya Kumar Bhuyan School of Social Sciences on "Reading the Northeast from the Perspective of Social Exclusion" delivered by Virginius Xaxa, Former Professor of Sociology, Delhi School of Economics.
  - II. Special web lecture organized by Surya Kumar Bhuyan School of Social Sciences on "Vulnerable migrants in Contemporary India" delivered by Deepak Kr. Mishra, Jawahartal Nehru University.

- III. Online Seminar organized by Padmanath Gohain Baruah School of Humanities on Ongoing Research in Languages & Literatures.
- 8. In view of the upcoming NAAC peer team visit and in order to streamline and ensure the smooth functioning of the Schools/Centres/Cells, the University has undertaken the following restructuring in some functional areas.
  - a. Dr. Limpon Bora, Deputy Registrar (Academic) is assigned as Dean (Academic) i/c.
  - b. Dr. Gobinda Deka, Associate Professor, Discipline of Commerce is assigned as Director i/c, Maniram Dewan School of Management.
  - c. Dr. Pranab Saikia, Associate Professor, Discipline of Education is assigned as Director i/c, CIQA.
  - d. Dr. Prasenjit Das, Associate Professor, Discipline of English is assigned as Director i/c, Banikanta Kakati Research Institute.
  - e. Teams and Committees are formed for various activities related to NAAC preparedness.
- 9. Seven online meetings were conducted with various study centres of KKHSOU to discuss various issues primarily related with the Examination systems on 14th, 15th and 17th September. Total 186 coordinators and Centre-in-charges participated in these interactive meetings and discussed various issues. Other than examinations, issues related with ongoing admission procedure and SLM were also discussed in the meetings.
- 10. The Course work term end examinations for M.Phil/Ph.D scholars of the session 2020-21 were held offline at the University City Office on 18th and 19th September, 2021.
- 11. The conduct of examinations for 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> semester of UG programmes and Diploma/Certificate programmes are planned in October-November, 2021. The 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> semester examinations of the PG programmes are planned in November-December, 2021. The process of evaluation is going on for the remaining examinations.
- 12. The University has applied for Cycle I Assessment and Accreditation (A&A) and got pre-qualified on I<sup>st</sup> September 2021. As such, the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) has requested to provide suitable dates for three slots for the NAAC peer team visit and the following slots have been provided to NAAC for the peer team visit.
  - 1. 21.10.2021 to 23.10 2021
  - 2. 07.11.2021 to 09.11.2021
  - 3. 24.11.2021 to 26.11.2021

Resolution No. BM/63/1/2021: Resolved that the above appraisal of the Vice Chancellor be noted and endorsed.

### Item No. 2: Confirmation of the proceedings of the 62nd Meeting of the Board of Management.

The copy of the Proceedings of the 62<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Board of Management was placed before the Board of Management for consideration and approval.

**Resolution No. BM/63/2/2021:** Resolved that the proceedings of the 62<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management be approved as noted.

### Item No. 3: To appraise the Action Taken Report on the decision of the 62<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management.

The action taken report on the decision of the 62<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Board of Management was circulated to the members of the Board of Management.

The Board was requested to consider and approve the report.

**Resolution No: BM/63/3/2021:** Resolved that the action taken reports on the decision of the 62<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Board as Management be noted.

Item No. 4 To consider and approve the proceedings of Planning and Development Committee meeting held on 09.09.2021.

The copy of the proceedings of the Planning and Development Committee meeting held on 09.09.2021 was placed before the Board of Management for approval.

Resolution No. BM/63/4(A)/2021: Resolved that the proceedings of the Planning & Development Committee meeting held on 09.09.2021 be approved as noted.

**Resolution** No. BM/63/4(B)/2021: Resolved that the resolution taken in the Planning and Development Committee meeting held on 09.09.2021 regarding the ongoing construction project at City Office, Khanapara be appraised to the Hon'ble Chancellor, KKHSOU and Governor of Assam.

#### Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

### Item No. 5 To consider and approve the Annual Reports of the University for the Session 2020-21.

The draft of the Annual Report for the Session 2020-21 was circulated among the Hon'ble Members of the Board and they were requested to offer their suggestions/views on the report.

**Resolution No. BM/63/5/2021:** The Board opined that the draft Annual Report will be approved in the next meeting of the Board of Management after getting suggestions regarding modifications (if any) from the Hon'ble Members.

#### Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

Item No.6 To consider and approve revision of the special budget for creation of infrastructure and constitution of Empowered Purchase Committee in view of NAAC peer team visit.

A. The Board was appraised that a special budget of Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakhs only) for development of infrastructure in the University Campus in view of NAAC peer team visit was approved in the 61<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Board of Management held on 11.02.2021 with the following breakups.

While examining the particulars and requirements in the Self Study Report submitted by the University, it has been found that the University will have to make arrangement for the following among others.

- a) 12 nos. of ICT enabled classrooms with wall TV/Projector/ White Boards/Notice Boards etc.
- b) Yoga cum meditation centre
- c) NAAC Secretariat and confidential room for NAAC Experts
- d) Rooms for Placement Cell/ Career Counselling Cell/ BKRI/ Alumni Association/ Associations of the University.
- e) Additional facilities for Conference Hall.

- f) Furniture, fixers and facilities like drinking water provisions for various offices of the University.
- g) Paintings of noted personalities
- h) Library circulation desk etc.
- i) Tablet/iPad for live videography during hybrid peer team visit.

The Board was requested to consider the matter and advise whether the special budget of Rs. 50 Lakhs could be revised to 60 lakhs to meet the requirements of additional facilities.

B. The Board was also requested to consider and approve the proposal to constitute an Empowered Purchase Committee with senior functionaries of the University for emergency procurement strictly related to NAAC peer team visit. It was also proposed that the Board may authorize the Vice Chancellor to form the said Committee.

Resolution No. BM/63/6(A)/2021: Resolved that the Special Budget of Rs. 50 Lakhs for creation of infrastructure in view of NAAC Peer team visit be revised to Rs. 60,00,000/- (Rupees sixty Lakhs only) to meet the additional requirements.

**Resolution No. BM/63/6(B)/2021**: Resolved that the proposal to constitute an Empowered Purchase Committee for emergency procurement strictly related to NAAC peer team visit be approved and the Vice Chancellor be authorized to constitute the Committee with senior functionaries of the University.

#### Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

#### Item No.7 Any other matter.

A. To consider the declaration of Ph.D. degree to Ms. Shyamali Hazarika.

Ms. Shyamali Hazarika submitted his Ph.D. Thesis for evaluation and award of Ph.D. Degree. On the basis of the recommendation of the examiners, the viva-voce examination of the candidate was held on  $23^{rd}$  September, 2021 in presence of subject expert Dr. Sauravpran Goswami, Professor, Department of Philosophy, Gauhati University, Internal examiner, Director of concerned discipline and Dean Academic i/c,. The committee recommended the name of Ms. Shyamali Hazarika for the award of Ph.D. degree. The details are furnished below.

Name, Registration No. and Address of the candidate	Ms. Shyamali Hazarika (R. No 15005481)  Dhemaji, Assam
Title of the thesis	"A Study on Social Philosophy of Sankaradeva with Special Focus on his Eka Sarana Nama Dharma."
Name of the guide	Dr. Bhaskar Bhattacharyya Assistant Professor, KKHSOU
Name of the Examiners	<ol> <li>Dr. Sauravpran Goswami, Professor, Department of Philosophy, Gauhati University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. L. Biswanath Sharma, Professor, Head of Department of Philosophy, Manipur University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Bhaskar Bhattacharyya, Supervisor, (Guide)</li> </ol>

Resolution No. BM/63/7(A)/2021: Resolved that the award of degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) to Ms. Shyamali Hazarika be approved.

#### Action to be taken by: Dean (Academic), KKHSOU

B. To approve the release of enhanced Dearness Allowance to the employees of the University ex post facto.

In pursuant to the Govt. of Assam, Finance Department notification No. FEG.08/2017/95 dated 18.08.2021, the University enhanced the rate of Dearness Allowance as regards to its regular employees as per the rate below vide notification No. KKHSOU/Acctt/Notification/21/2018/09 dated 01.09.2021

Period from which payable	Rate of enhancement	Rate of DA per men sum
From 01/07/2021	11%	28% of Basic Pay

The matter was placed before the Board for ex-post facto approval.

Resolution No. BM/63/7(B)/2021: Resolved that the release of enhanced Dearness allowance to the employees of the University be approved ex-post facto.

C. To consider and approve the proposal to constitute a committee for the Study Centres of the University.

It was proposed before the Board of Management that a Study Centres Committee may be constituted with the following composition

i.	Vice Chancellor	-	Chairperson
ii.	Registrar	_	Member
iii.	Controller of Examinations	_	Member
iv.	Dean (Academic)	_	Member
ν.	Director, CIQA	-	Member
vi.	Two members from the facultie	s of the Un	iversity

vii. Two Members from the Board of Management

viii. Two Members from the Study Centres

ix. Dean (Study Centres) - Convenor

The Board was requested to consider and approve the proposal to constitute the committee.

Resolution No. BM/63/7(C)/2021: Resolved that the Vice Chancellor be authorized to constitute the Study Centres Committee as proposed.

#### Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

Further, the Hon'ble Members of the Board of Management suggested that a strategic planning exercise needs to be conducted by constituting a Committee for development of a perspective and long term plan of the University with adequate emphasis on research component.

Sd/-(Nripendra Narayan Sarma) Vice Chancellor (i/c) KKHSOU

Sd/-

(Arupjyoti Choudhury)

Registrar KKHSOU

### <u>PROCEEDINGS OF THE 64<sup>th</sup> MEETING (EMERGENT) OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF KRISHNA KANTA HANDIQUI STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY HELD ON 08.12.2021</u>

#### Members Present:

Vice Chancellor (i/c)
 Prof. Muneesh Kumar
 Prof. Hem Chandra Gautam
 Dr. Mridul Hazarika
 Dr. Sangeeta Gogoi

: Chairperson : Member (online)

: Member

: Member (online)

: Member

6) Ms. Tarali Das
Deputy Secretary
Representative from Secretary,
Education (Higher) Deptt., Govt. of Assam

: Member

7) Ms. Geetanjali Ahmed Nayyar,

: Member

Joint secretary

Representative from Commissioner& Secretary

Finance Deptt., Govt. of Assam

8) Dean (Study Centre)

: Member

9)Dean (Academic) i/c

: Member

10) Registrar

: Member Secretary

#### Item No.1 Directives given by Special Commissioner to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department.

The Board of Management was appraised about the letter received from the Special Commissioner to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department vide No. AHE.490/2021/10 dated 03.12.2021 regarding recruitment to the post of Professor in Hiranya Chandra Bhuyan School of Science & Technology, KKHSOU. The same had a reference to an earlier communication to the Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department in response to their letter No. AHE.490/2021/6 dated 08.10.2021 that enclosed a copy of the letter No. GSA.74/17/Pt.6/238 dated 10.09.2021 from Hon'ble Governor of Assam and Chancellor, KKHSOU requesting immediate necessary action for termination of the appointment of Dr. Jyotirekha G. Handique as Professor in Hiranya Chandra Buhyan School of Science & Technology, KKHSOU.

The matter was placed before the Board of Management for information and approval for compliance. After threadbare discussion, the Board, on principle, agreed to comply with the directives from the Govt. of Assam and the Hon'ble Chancellor, KKHSOU.

Resolution No. BM/64/1/2021: Resolved that the directives of the Hon'ble Chancellor, KKHSOU as per communication received from the Govt. of Assam letter No. AHE.490/2021/10 dated 03.12.2021 be complied with.

#### Item No.2 Preparedness of the University regarding the upcoming NAAC visit.

The Hon'ble Members of the Board were informed that the National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC) Peer Team will visit the University for 1<sup>st</sup> cycle Accreditation from 16.12.2021 to 18.12.2021. The Board was apprised of the preparedness on the part of the University in view of the aforesaid visit.

Resolution No. BM/64/1/2021: The Board noted the appraisal regarding the forthcoming NAAC Peer Team Visit to the University during 16-18 December, 2021.

Sd/-(Nripendra Narayan Sarma) Vice Chancellor (i/c), KKHSOU Chairperson, BoM, KKHSOU Sd/-(Arupjyoti Choudhury) Registrar, KKHSOU Member Secretary, BoM, KKHSOU

# Item No. 3: To appraise the Action Taken Report on the decision of the 63<sup>rd</sup> and 64<sup>th</sup> Meetings of the Board of Management.

The action taken reports on the decision of the 63<sup>rd</sup> and 64<sup>th</sup> meetings of the Board of Management were circulated to the members of the Board of Management.

The Board was requested to consider and approve the report.

**Resolution No: BM/65/3/2021:** Resolved that the action taken reports on the decision of the  $63^{rd}$  and  $64^{th}$  meetings of the Board as Management be noted as reproduced below.

Action taken report of the Registrar on the Resolutions adopted in the meeting of Board of Management held on 24.09.2021 (63<sup>rd</sup> meeting)

Agenda Item No.	Resolution No.	Action Taken
Item No.1: Vice Chancellor's address of welcome and introductory briefing.	BM/63/1/2021	Noted and endorsed
Item No.2: Confirmation of the proceedings of the 62 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management.	BM/63/2/2021	Noted
Item No.3: To apprise the Action Taken Report on the decision of the 62 <sup>nd</sup> Meetings of the Board of Management	BM/63/3/2021	Noted
Item No.4: To consider and approve the proceedings of	BM/63/4(A)/2021	Noted
Planning & Development Committee meeting held on 09.09.2021	BM/63/4(B)/2021	Action taken
Item No.5: To consider and approve the Annual Report of the University for the Session 2020-21	BM/63/5/2021	Noted and Action taken
Item No.6: To consider and approve the revision of the special	BM/63/6(A)/2021	Action taken
budget for creation of infrastructure and constitution of Empowered Purchase Committee in view of the NAAC Peer Team Visit	BM/63/6(B)/2021	Action taken
Item No.7: Any other matter A. To consider declaration of PhD degree to Ms. Shyamali Hazarika	BM/63/7(A)/2021	Action Taken
B. To approve release of enhanced Dearness Allowance to the employees of the University ex post facto	BM/63/7(B)/2021	Action Taken
C. To consider and approve the proposal to constitute a committee for the Study Centres of the University	BM/63/7(C)/2021	Action taken

Action taken report of the Registrar on the Resolutions adopted in the emergent meeting of the Board of Management held on 08.12.2021 (64th meeting)

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Agenda Item No.	Resolution No.	Action Tales	
	Resolution NO.	Action Taken	

Item No.1: Compliance to the directives given by the Special Commissioner to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department	BM/64/1/2021	Action taken.  However, in pursuance to the interim order of the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court dated 8th December, 2021, the final order of release to Prof.  Jyotirekha G. Handique shall be passed subject to the order of the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court. In view of the same, the
		Probation Period of Prof.  Jyotirekha G. Handique would be extended until a relevant order is passed by the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court.
Item No.2: Preparedness of the University regarding the upcoming NAAC Visit	BM/64/2/2021	Noted

Sd/-(Arupjyoti Choudhury) Registrar, KKHSOU

## Item No. 4 To apprise the outcome of NAAC Assessment & Accreditation Process.

The Hon'ble Members of the Board were apprised that the Peer Team of NAAC visited the University during 16-18 December, 2021 for cycle 1 Assessment & Accreditation. Accordingly, the University has been assessed and accreditated at Grade B+. The Grade sheet and report of the NAAC Peer Team was placed before the Board of Management for kind perusal.

**Resolution No. BM/65/4/2021:** The Board of Management noted the appraisal regarding NAAC Assessment and Accreditation. Further, the Board appreciated the hard work of every single member of the KKHSOU family during the entire process of accreditation and congratulate them for being accreditated at Grade B+ by the NAAC.

# Item No. 5 To consider and approve the proceedings of 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 25.11.2021.

The copy of the proceedings of the 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 25.11.2021 was placed before the Board of Management for approval.

**Resolution No. BM/65/5/2021:** Resolved that the proceedings of the 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Board of management be approved as reproduced below.

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE 33rd MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 25.11.2021

#### Present were:

1.	Viaa Chanaellau lu Chanae	
	Vice Chancellor In Charge	 Chairman
2.	Registrar	 Member
<i>3</i> .	Dean (Study Centre)	 Member
4.	Prof. Jogen Kalita	
	Department of Zoology, Gauhati University	 Member
<i>5</i> .	Dr. Marami Goswami	
	Former Associate Professor	
	Department of Education, Gauhati University	 Member
<b>6</b> .	Prof Pranjit Bora, P.G.B. School of Humanities	 Member
<i>7</i> .	Prof Joydeep Barua, S.K.B. School of Social Science	 Member
8.	Prof Jyotirekha. G. Handique, H.C.B. School of Science& Technology	 Member
9.	Prof Jayanta Kumar Sarma, B.H School of Mass Communication	 Member
10.	Dr. Bhabaranjan Sarma, Controller of Examination	 Member
11.	Dr. Pranab Saikia, Associate Professor in Education	 Member
	Dr. Parag Dutta, Associate Professor in Economics	 Member
	Dr. Neeva Rani Phukan, Associate Professor in Assamese	 Member
14.	Dr Prasenjit Das, Associate Professor in English	 Member
<i>15</i> .	Dr Bipul Das, Associate Professor in Political Science	 Member
16.	Dean (Academic) i/c	 Member Secretary

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and the Chairman of the Council extended a warm welcome to all the members present. The Chairman called the 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Academic Council as in order and requested Dean (Academic) i/c to proceed with agenda items for consideration.

Item No.	Agenda with notes
AC.33/2021/1/1.1	Confirmation of the Proceedings of the 32 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of Academic Council held on 19-06-2021.
	Resolution No.1.1: Resolved that Proceedings of the 32 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 19-06-2021 be confirmed with modification in resolution no. 2.11.2 as the word PG may be dropped and will be stated as Diploma in Computer Science.

#### Items for approval (AC.33/2021/2/2)

Item No.	Proceedings	
AC.33/2021/2/2.1	Recognition and approval of the Academic Programmes by UGC (DEB) in of application submitted by the University.	
	Discussion: The matter of recognition of the Academic Programmes has been appraised to the Academic Council. The Meeting was apprised about the UGC recognition of the MA (Journalism & Mass Communication) Programme. The	

remarks received regarding the inadequacy in the MA (Nepali) and B.Sc (General) Programme was also appraised to the Academic Council. It is also appraised to the Academic Council that Govt of Assam is being approached by the University for sanction of posts of faculty members required for MA in Nepali programme. For B.Sc. (General programme) the modifications are required in PPR in terms of nomenclature and others while applying to UGC for recognition next time. Academic Council also desires that a 3 member committee may be constituted by Director HCBSST for considering inclusion of Zoology and Botany in B.Sc.Programme and the report of the same may be placed in the Academic Council. The interdisciplinary aspect may also be considered in the syllabus of the B.Sc. programme.

Resolution No.2.1: Resolved that Recognition and Approval of Academic programmes by UGC (DEB) be appraised to the Academic Council. It is further resolved that PPR of B.Sc. (General) after modifications will be placed for the approval of Academic Council.

#### AC.33/2021/2.2

Revision of Programme structure and SLM's.

Discussion: The Academic Council discussed the matter and desires that CIQA may organize a workshop in coordination with different Schools keeping in view the broader vision of NEP 2020. Academic Council also desires that UGC may be approached regarding the revision of syllabus and course structure keeping in view the timeframe of approval (2022-23).

Resolution No.2.2: Resolved that CIQA in coordination with different schools will organize a workshop in light of NEP 2020. It is also resolved that UGC may be approached regarding the revision of syllabus and course structure for the programmes having approval upto 2022-23.

#### AC.33/2021/2.3

Concept note by the Ph.D. Programme Coordinator regarding M.Phil/Ph.D. Course Work.

Discussion: The concept note regarding M.Phil/Ph.D Course Work as proposed by Ph.D programme Coordinator Dr. Joydeep Baruah has been placed in Academic Council where certain modification in M.Phil/Ph.D Course work have been proposed. Ph.D. programme Programme coordinator has informed that the concept has earlier been placed in the Research Council. The Research Council appreciated the concept and recommended approval of Academic Council. The Academic Council desires that the concept note be circulated among faculty members and their views/ suggestions be included before placing in Academic Council.

Resolution No.2.3: Resolved that concept note has been appreciated which will provide a wider choice to the scholars and Research Council has been asked to form a committee to explore the modalities for implementation the concept after

	considering the views and suggestions of faculty.
AC.33/2021/2.4	Formative Assessment and implementation in regard to Study Centres other then KKHSOU Model Study Centre.
	Discussion: The proposal of components for formative assessment was discussed in the Academic Council and Council accepted the idea for empowerment of Study Centres to administer the MCQ and other components of formative assessment and further submission of 30 marks to the Examination Branch, which was earlier of 20 marks excluding MCQs.
	Resolution No.2.4: Resolved that proposal has been approved by the Academic Council and will be implemented from January 2022 for learners admitted in 2021-22 Academic session and for all the learners of all intermediate semesters.
AC.33/2021/2.5	Approval of MOOCs proposal on Adhunik Asomiya Kabita for MA in Assamese programme.
	Discussion: The Academic Council in brief discussed the proposal and modalities as per UGC norms and resolved as
	Resolution No.2.5: Resolved that the proposal in principle be approved by the Academic Council. The Council suggested compliance of UGC guidelines.
AC.33/2021/2.6	Approval of the Guidelines of Personal Contact Programme (PCP) prepared for Study Centres.
	Discussion: The guideline was briefed to Academic Council by Controller of Examination. The guidelines as prepared are being followed by the Model City Study Centre and for implementation of the same in other Study Centres spread throughout the state. The council discussed about challenges in implementing PCP.  Resolution No.2.6: Resolved that Guidelines of Personal Contact Programme be
AC.33/2021/2.7	approved by the Academic Council.  Approval of minutes of 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of School of Studies of Hiranya Chandra
	Bhuyan School of Science & Technology.  Resolution No 2.7: Dropped from the agenda of the Academic Council as the meeting would be held later.
AC.33/2021/2.8	Approval of the list of Content Writers/Content Editors/ Language Editors as proposed by different School of KKHSOU.
	Resolution No.2.8: The list of Content Writers/ Content Editors/Language Editors recommended by School of Studies be approved. However, for MA in Nepali Programme the list is provisionally approved subject to the approval of the programme by UGC.

AC.33/2021/2.9

Any other Matter.

Resolution No.2.9.1: The letter mentioning the School wise/ Discipline wise Faculty requirement to the Govt of Assam may be expedited.

Resolution No.2.9.2: The need is there for having in house faculty for running the Yoga Programme and Govt. of Assam May be approached for sanction of posts.

Resolution No.2.9.3: The Scholars may be allocated in a phased manner for Assistant Professors who are guiding the scholars for the first time.

Resolution No.2.9.4: The earlier practice regarding Research Supervisor allocation in regard to scholars may be apprised to Academic Council.

Resolution No.2.9.5: The Academic Council noted the preparedness of NAAC peer team Visit.

Resolution No.2.9.6: The Study Centres of the University may explore adoption of villages to take up some village development activities in their respective areas.

Resolution No.2.9.7: Academic Council desires that the list of the counsellors in the Study Centres of the University be placed in the Academic Council.

Resolution No.2.9.8: The Format of CJLC programme may be placed in the Examination Committee and be appraised to the Academic Council after approval of the meeting in the meeting of the Examination committee.

As there was no other matter for discussion, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the chair.

Sd/-Chairman Academic Council, KKHSOU

Sd/-Member Secretary Academic Council, KKHSOU

Action to be taken by: Dean (Academic), KKHSOU

# Item No. 6 To consider and approve the proposal to establish a new School of Studies in the name of "Indira Miri School of Education".

The Hon'ble Members of the Board of Management were informed that the Academic and Administrative Audit Committee during their visit from 25-27 February, 2021 suggested that the discipline 'Education' may constitute a separate School of Studies with increased number of faculties in order to facilitate Teachers' Training in the State of Assam. In view of the same and considering the other important aspects like developing innovational pedagogical practices etc., it was proposed that a new School of Studies may be established by the University in the name of "Indira Miri School of Education".

The detail proposal as recommended by the Academic Council in its 34<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 28.12.2021 was placed before the Board of Management for its consideration and approval.

**Resolution No. BM/65/6/2021**: Resolved that the proposal for establishment of a new School of Studies in the name of "Indira Miri School of Education" be approved. Further, the Board also approved the proceedings of the 34<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 28.12.2021 nominating the names of the following three persons from outside the University to be the external Members of the Indira Miri School of Education.

- 1. Professor Nil Ratan Roy, Department of Education, Tezpur University
- 2. Professor Dulumoni Goswami, Department of Education, Gauhati University
- 3. Dr Marami Goswami, Former Associate Professor, Department of Education, Guwahati College

### Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

# Item No. 7 To consider and approve the proceedings of 38<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 27.12.2021.

The proceedings of the 38<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 27.12.2021 was placed before the Board of Management for consideration and approval.

**Resolution No. BM/65/7/2021**: Resolved that the proceedings of the 38<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 27.12.2021 be approved as reproduced below.

Proceedings of the 38th Finance Committee Meeting of KKHSOU held on 27-12-2021 in the VC's Conference Hall at University's City Centre, Khanapara

#### Member Present:

- 1. Prof. Nripendra Narayan Sarma, Vice Chancellor, KKHSOU
- 2. Prof. Muneesh Kumar, Hon'ble member, Board of Management
- 3. Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury, Registrar, KKHSOU
- 4. Dr. Deepak Kalita, Finance Officer, KKHSOU

Dr. Nripendra Narayan Sarma, Vice Chancellor, KKHSOU welcomed all the members present in the meeting and then requested Member Secretary of Finance Committee to initiate the proceeding as agenda items.

#### Item No. FC/38/01: Adoption of Annual Account for the year 2020-21

Annual Account for the year 2020-21 has been prepared and the Internal Auditor S.K. Pataodi & Associates, Chartered Accountant has examined the books and records of the University and found the Balance Sheet and the Income & Expenditure as on 31-03-2021 are in agreement with the Books and records.

The Annual Accounts for the year 2020-21 was placed before the Finance Committee for adoption and recommendation for placing before the BOM for approval.

Resolution No. FC/38/01: The Committee accepted the Annual Accounts for the year 2020-21 and recommended for placing before the Board of Management for approval. After threadbare discussion on the Annual Accounts the members of the committee suggested that an assessment needs to be made to see to what extent the annual expenditure are in tune with the achievement of the University objective.

#### <u>Item No. FC/38/02:</u> Adoption of Internal Audit Report for the year 2020-21

Internal Audit Report for the year 2020-21 was submitted by the Internal Auditor S.K. Pataodi & Associates, Chartered Accountant after examining the books and records of the University.

The Internal Audit Report for the year 2020-21 was placed before the Finance Committee for adoption and recommendation for placing before the BOM for approval.

Resolution No. FC/38/02: The Committee accepted the Internal Audit Report for the year 2020-21 and recommended for placing before the Board of Management for approval.

#### <u>Item No. FC:38/03:</u> <u>Regarding Reemployed Pension Rule</u>

As per the UGC guidelines and DOPT (Department of Personnel and Training), Central Government, there is a provision that in the case persons retiring before attaining the age of 55 years and who are re-employed, pension shall be fully ignored for initial pay fixation. But in the State Govt. rule there is states that the provision only for contractual re-employed pensioner. Since the particular option is not applied in the matter of Prof. Jayanta Kr. Sarma, so the matter may refer to the provision of UGC guidelines. The

KKHSOU ACT refers to follow State Govt. Rule, but this matter is not clear regarding fixation of salary of re-employed pensioner below 55 years.

The matter was placed before Finance Committee for discussion.

Resolution No. FC/38/03: After threadbare discussion the committee opined that in absence of clear expression in the Statutes, the matter may be referred to the Govt. of Assam for their views in this regard.

#### Item No. FC:38/04: Enhancement of Salary of Sri Surajit Sarma

Sri Surajit Sarma joined this organization on 01-06-2017 as Computer Programmer on contractual basis for three months @ Rs. 18,000/- per month. Later as per the decision of the 47th BOM held on 31-12-2018 his salary enhanced to Rs. 21,000/- per month. Based on his application system analyst recommended to enhance his salary to Rs. 35,000/-.

The matter was placed before Finance Committee for and recommendation for placing before the BOM for approval.

Resolution No. FC/38/04: After threadbare discussion the committee recommended to engage Sri Surajit Sarma as Computer Programmer on daily basis @ RS. 1300/- per day after completion of his earlier contract.

Sd/-

(Dr. Deepak Kalita) Member Secretary Finance Committee K.K.H.S.O.U. Sd/-

Prof. Nripendra Narayan Sarma Chairman Finance Committee K.K.H.S.O.U.

### Action to be taken by: Finance Officer, KKHSOU

## Item No. 8 To consider and approve the Annual Reports of the University for the Session 2020-21.

The draft Annual Report for the Session 2020-21 was circulated among the Hon'ble Members of the Board of Management in its 63<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 24.09.2021 for suggestions/views with a resolution to approve the same in the next meeting of Board of Management.

In view of the above, the Board was requested to approve the Annual Report for the session 2020-21.

**Resolution No. BM/65/8/2021**: Resolved that the Annual Report of the University for the Session 2020-21 be approved.

Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

# Item No.9 To consider and approve declaration of Ph.D results by the University

1. Ms. Pranita Baishya submitted her Ph.D. Thesis for evaluation and award of Ph.D. Degree. On the basis of the recommendation of the examiners, the viva-voce examination of the candidate was held on 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 in presence of subject expert Dr. Mukut Hazarika, Professor, Department of Education, Dibrugarh University, Internal examiner, Director of concerned discipline and Dean Academic i/c. The committee recommended the name of Ms. Pranita Baishya for the award of Ph.D. degree. The details are furnished below.

Name, Registration No. and Address of the candidate	Ms. Pranita Baishya (R. No 10/11) Guwahati, Assam
Title of the thesis	"A Study on the Relationship between the Socio Economic Status, Social Freedom and Social Awareness among the College Going Girl Students of SC/ST Communities in the Rural Kamrup District."
Name of the guide	Dr. Kaberi Saha Professor, Gauhati University
Name of the Examiners	<ol> <li>Dr. Mukut Hazarika, Professor, Department of Education, Dibrugarh University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Jayanta Mete, Professor, Department of Education, University of Kalyani. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Kaberi Saha, Supervisor, (Guide)</li> </ol>

2. Ms. Arpita Das submitted her Ph.D. Thesis for evaluation and award of Ph.D. Degree. On the basis of the recommendation of the examiners, the viva-voce examination of the candidate was held on 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 in presence of subject expert Dr. Abhijit Bora, Professor, Department of Mass Communication & Journalism, Tezpur University, Internal examiner, Director of concerned discipline and Dean Academic i/c. The committee recommended the name of Ms. Arpita Das for the award of Ph.D. degree. The details are furnished below.

Name, Registration	Ms. Arpita Das (R. No 15005475)
No. and Address of the candidate	Guwahati, Assam

Title of the thesis	"Reintroducing the Nilachal hills – A study of the society and the social processes within."	
Name of the guide	Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury Registrar, KKHSOU	
Name of the Examiners	<ol> <li>Dr. Abhijit Bora, Professor, Department of Mass Communication &amp; Journalism, Tezpur University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Ram Mohan Pathak, Ex. Vice Chancellor, Nehru Gram Bharati University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury, Supervisor, (Guide)</li> </ol>	

3. Ms. Cauvery B. Sharma submitted her Ph.D. Thesis for evaluation and award of Ph.D. Degree. On the basis of the recommendation of the examiners, the viva-voce examination of the candidate was held on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 in presence of subject expert Dr. Shantanu Chakravarty, Professor, Department of Political Science, Cotton University, Internal examiner, Director of concerned discipline and Dean Academic i/c. The committee recommended the name of Ms. Cauvery B. Sharma for the award of Ph.D. degree. The details are furnished below.

Name, Registration No. and Address of the candidate	Ms. Cauvery B. Sharma (R. No 14045950)  Guwahati, Assam	
Title of the thesis	"Empowerment of Women through Distance Education: A Case Study of Kamrup (Metro), Kamrup, Hojai and Lakhimpur."	
Name of the guide	Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury Registrar, KKHSOU	
Name of the Examiners	<ol> <li>Dr. Shantanu Chakravarty, Professor, Department of Political Science, Cotton University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Jayanta Krishna Sarmah, Professor, Department of Political Science, Gauhati University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury, Supervisor, (Guide)</li> </ol>	

4. Ms. Hemasri Devi submitted her Ph.D. Thesis for evaluation and award of Ph.D. Degree. On the basis of the recommendation of the examiners, the viva-voce examination of the candidate was held on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 in presence of 20 | Page

subject expert Dr. Jayanta Krishna Sarmah, Professor, Department of Political Science, Gauhati University, Internal examiner, Director of concerned discipline and Dean Academic i/c. The committee recommended the name of Ms. Hemasri Devi for the award of Ph.D. degree. The details are furnished below.

Name, Registration No. and Address of the candidate	Ms. Hemasri Devi (R. No 18010451)  Baihata Chariali, Assam	
Title of the thesis	"Riverbank Erosion – Induced Internally Displaced Persons: A Comparative Study of Morigaon and Dibrugarh Districts in Assam."	
Name of the guide	Dr. Bipul Das Associate Professor, KKHSOU	
Name of the Examiners	<ol> <li>Dr. Mirza Asmer Beg, Professor, Department of Political Science, Aligarh Muslim University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Jayanta Krishna Sarmah, Professor, Department of Political Science, Gauhati University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Bipul Das, Supervisor, (Guide)</li> </ol>	

5. Ms. Trishna Rani Borah submitted her Ph.D. Thesis for evaluation and award of Ph.D. Degree. On the basis of the recommendation of the examiners, the viva-voce examination of the candidate was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2021 in presence of subject expert Dr. Munmun Majumdar, Professor, Department of Political Science, North-Eastern Hill University, Internal examiner, Director of concerned discipline and Dean Academic i/c. The committee recommended the name of Ms. Trishna Rani Borah for the award of Ph.D. degree. The details are furnished below.

Name, Registration No. and Address of the candidate	Ms. Trishna Rani Borah (R. No 15005482) Guwahati, Assam
Title of the thesis	"State and the Issue of Disability: A Study of the Functioning of the State Institutions Related to Disability in Assam."
Name of the guide	Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury Registrar, KKHSOU

Name of the	1. Dr. Munmun Majumdar, Department of Political		
Examiners	Science, North-Eastern Hill University. (External)		
	<ol> <li>Dr. Jayanta Krishna Sarmah, Professor, Department of Political Science, Gauhati University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury, Supervisor, (Guide)</li> </ol>		

6. Mr. Indrajit Kalita submitted his Ph.D. Thesis for evaluation and award of Ph.D. Degree. On the basis of the recommendation of the examiners, the viva-voce examination of the candidate was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2021 in presence of subject expert Dr. Pona Mahanta, Former Professor, Department of English, Dibrugarh University, Internal examiner, Director of concerned discipline and Dean Academic i/c. The committee recommended the name of Mr. Indrajit Kalita for the award of Ph.D. degree. The details are furnished below.

Name, Registration	Mr. Indrajit Kalita (R. No 15005471)	
No. and Address of the candidate	Gohpur, Assam	
Title of the thesis	"Fluid Self: A Study of the Novels of Salman Rushdie."	
Name of the guide	Dr. Prasenjit Das	
	Associate Professor, KKHSOU	
Name of the Examiners	<ol> <li>Dr. Pona Mahanta, Former Professor, Department of English, Dibrugarh University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Kailash C Baral, Former Professor, Department of English and India Studies, EFL University. (External)</li> <li>Dr. Prasenjit Das, Supervisor, (Guide)</li> </ol>	

The Board is requested to consider and approve the award of Ph.D Degree to the aforesaid scholars of the University.

Resolution No. BM/65/9/2021: Resolved that the award of degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) to Ms. Pranita Baishya, Ms. Arpita Das, Ms. Cauvery B. Sharma, Ms. Hemasri Devi, Ms, Trisha Rani Borah and Shri Indrajit Kalita be approved.

Action to be taken by: Dean (Academic), KKHSOU

# Item No.10 To consider and approve the policy regarding Change/correction in Names and Surnames of learners in official records.

The Board was appraised that the learners of the University (both current & passed out) apply for name or surname change for various reasons. The matter was so far been taken up by the Examination Branch as per their Rules, Regulation and Standard Operating Procedure. But, due to the absence of a specific policy, the decisions undertaken are fraught with the possibility of arbitrariness. Therefore, the University decided to adopt a policy on change or correction in names and surnames of the learners in the official record and a committee was constituted for the same. As such, the Committee prepared a draft policy which was placed before the Board of Management for necessary approval.

**Resolution No. BM/65/10/2021**: Resolved that the draft policy for change/correction in names and surnames of the learners in official record be approved. However, the Board opined that the clause for Fees (Clause 6.2) needs to be reconsidered while finalizing the same.

Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

### Item No.11 To consider and approve the draft Strategic Action Plan

As discussed in the 63<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Board of Management held on 24.09.2021, an exercise was undertaken to prepare a draft Strategic Action Plan (SAP) to present the perspectiveness of the University including all the major components (academics, administrative, technology and infrastructure) based on the following

- i. Vision Document 2030 of the University
- ii. AAOU Quality Framework
- iii. NAAC Institutional Manual for Open Universities
- iv. Quality Assurance Toolkit of CEMCA
- v. New Educational Policy, 2020

The draft SAP was placed before the Board of Management for consideration and necessary approval.

Resolution No. BM/65/11/2021: Resolved that the draft Strategic Action Plan (SAP) be approved. However, the Board opined for reconsidering the following:

- i. Inclusion of "Promotion of inclusivity" in the Key Areas of Intervention.
- ii. Key Task Area regarding Staff quarters in Rani Campus in "Establishment of Select Organs of the University – Perspective Plan".

#### Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

# Item No.12 To consider and approve the proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Study Centre Committee held on 15.11.2021.

The proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Study Centre Committee held on 15.11.2021 was placed before the Board of Management for consideration and approval. Further, the Board was requested to suggest an appropriate resolution regarding the legal opinion on the matter of discontinuation of the Study Centres under dispute as mentioned against Agenda no. SCC.01/2021/5.

**Resolution No. BM/65/12/2021**: Resolved that the proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Study Centre Committee held on 15.11.2021 be approved. The Board also approved the closure of 130 study centres of the University in private and non-provincialized colleges/institutions as per decision of the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court.

### Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

# Item No.13 To consider and approve the names of the advocates to be included in the panel of University Counsel.

In view of the increase in numbers of works having legal implications, the University decided to add the following names to its existing panel of legal counsel.

- 1. Shri Angshuman Bora, Senior Advocate, Gauhati High Court
- 2. Shri Tonmoy Jyoti Mahanta, Senior Advocate, Gauhati High Court.

The matter was placed for consideration and approval of the Board of Management.

Resolution No. BM/65/13/2021: Resolved that the following names of advocates be approved to include in the panel of Legal Counsel of the University. The remuneration be paid on case to case basis.

- 1. Shri Angshuman Bora, Senior Advocate, Gauhati High Court
- 2. Shri Tonmoy Jyoti Mahanta, Senior Advocate, Gauhati High Court.

Further, the Board resolved that the Vice Chancellor be authorized to appoint a standing counsel as and when required.

### Action to be taken by: Registrar, KKHSOU

### Item No.14 Any Other Business

A. To approve the release of enhanced Dearness Allowance to the employees of the University ex post facto.

In pursuant to the Govt. of Assam, Finance Department notification No. FEG.08/2017/108 dated 06.12.2021, the University enhanced the rate of Dearness Allowance as regards to its regular employees as per the rate below vide notification No. KKHSOU/Acctt/Notification/21/2018/11 dated 24.12.2021

Period from which payable	Rate of enhancement	Rate of DA per men sum
From 01/07/2021	3%	31% of Basic Pay

The matter was placed before the Board for ex-post facto approval.

Resolution No. BM/65/14(A)/2021: Resolved that the release of enhanced Dearness allowance to the employees of the University be approved ex-post facto.

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(Nripendra Narayan Sarma) Vice Chancellor (i/c)

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(Arupjyoti Choudhury)

Registrar KKHSOU