

ITEM NO.11 TO CONSIDER NOMINATION OF THE MEMBERS TO THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL UNDER CLAUSE (1)(IV) OF STATUTE 9.

BM 65.11.1

The Board considered the recommendations of the Vice-Chancellor and nominated the following persons as members to the Academic Council under clause (1) (iv) of Statute 9 for the residual period, i.e., 09-05-2001.

Prof. Madhulika Kaushik
Prof. B.S. Saraswat
Dr. J.M. Parakh

ITEM NO.12 TO REPORT ON THE MATTER RELATING TO PAY FIXATION OF PRO-VICE-CHANCELLORS.

BM 65.12.1

The Board considered the item. After detailed discussion the following points emerged :

- i) The payscales of the Pro-Vice-Chancellors (Rs. 18400-22400) are higher than the payscales of the Professors (Rs. 16400-22400).
- ii) The guidelines for the fixation of pay in the revised payscales have been notified by the Govt. of India.
- iii) Statute 3 (3) (a) of IGNOU Act provides for the guidelines for the fixation of pay of Pro-Vice-Chancellors.
- iv) There is a need for uniformity in the fixation of pay of Pro-Vice-Chancellors in Central universities.

BM 65.12.2

With the above observations the Board agreed that the pay of Pro-Vice-Chancellor in the revised payscales be fixed as under :

- i) The pay of Pro-Vice-Chancellors in IGNOU shall be fixed at Rs. 19900 per month in the revised payscales, i.e., Rs. 18,400-22,400.
- ii) Specific cases of Pro-Vice-Chancellors where the pay is to be fixed at a higher level than Rs. 19,900/- taking into account their basic pay

prior to joining as Pro Vice-Chancellors, they will be governed by the rules of pay fixation.

- iii) Any pay fixation to be done other than the above two methods may be brought before the Board of Management for specific consideration.

ITEM NO. 13 TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE 22ND MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON OCTOBER 7, 1999

BM 65.13.1 The Board considered and noted the minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the Academic Council held on October 07, 1999.

ITEM NO. 14 TO NOTE THE MINUTES OF THE 9TH MEETING OF THE PURCHASE COMMITTEE HELD ON 3-12-1999

BM 65.14.1 The Board noted and confirmed the Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the Purchase Committee held on 03.12.99. A copy of the minutes is placed at Appendix-VIII.

ITEM NO.15 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE COMPOSITION OF SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE POST OF SENIOR. PROJECT MANAGER

BM 65.15.1 The Board considered and approved the composition of the Selection Committee for the position of Senior Project Manager in the payscale of Rs. 18400-500-22400, as under :

1. Vice-Chancellor - Chairman
2. A Pro-Vice-Chancellor to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor
3. A person nominated by the Vice-Chancellor, in consultation with Secretary, Education.
4. Two members of the Board of Management nominated by it and
5. One person not in the service of the University nominated by the Board of Management.

BM 65.15.2 The Board further decided that the Senior Project Manager shall be the Head of the Construction and Maintenance Division.

ITEM NO.16 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE AMENDMENT TO LEAVE ORDINANCE AND STATUTE 17 OF THE IGNOU ACT.

BM 65.16.1 The Board considered the proposed amendments to be incorporated in Statute 17 and modification to be incorporated in the Leave Ordinance.

BM 65.16.2 Registrar informed the members that the proposed amendment in Statute 17 and modifications to be incorporated in the Leave Ordinance are as per the Govt. of India notification on these subjects. He further informed that after the approval by the Board the amendments in Statute 17 will be sent to the Visitor for approval.

BM 65.16.3 One of the members observed that due to amendments in Statute 17, the clauses are to be renumbered. This was noted.

BM 65.16.4 With the above observations the Board approved :

(1) The proposed amendment in Statute 17. A copy of the modified Statute 17 is placed at Appendix-IX.

(2) The modifications in the Leave Ordinance. A copy of the modified ordinance is placed at Appendix-X.

ITEM NO. 17 TO RATIFY THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR IN ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF PROF. M.M. PANT AS PRO VICE-CHANCELLOR

BM 65.17.1 The Vice-Chancellor explained the background leading to resignation of Prof. M.M. Pant as Pro-Vice-Chancellor. This was noted by the members.

BM 65.17.2 The Board ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor under Section 10(3) of the IGNOU Act in accepting the resignation of Prof. M.M. Pant as Pro-Vice-Chancellor w.e.f. 01-09-99.

ITEM NO. 18 TO REPORT ON THE MATTER RELATING TO THE APPEAL MADE BY PROF. KAPIL KUMAR, SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, IGNOU

BM 65.18.1 The Board considered the representation of Prof. Kapil Kumar, Professor of History, School of Social Sciences and in this context also had occasion to refer to the Report of the Anand Sarup Committee in this matter.

BM 65.18.2 The Board after considerable discussion resolved :

- 1) That the University should not resort to ad-hoc appointments to Directorship and that too for indefinite periods without obtaining the approval of the Board at its meeting immediately following such appointments by the Vice-Chancellor;
- 2) That in future all appointments to Directorships shall be for the full period of 3 years as stipulated in Statute 4.
- 3) Further resolved that felt-injustices like those voiced by Prof. Kapil Kumar will have no occasion to recur.

ITEM NO. 19 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE MODIFIED VERSION OF ORDINANCE ON CAREER ADVANCEMENT OF TEACHERS AND CONSEQUENT AMENDMENTS TO THE EXISTING ORDINANCE

BM 65.19.1 In considering this item it was pointed out that the modified version of Ordinance on Career Advancement of Teachers and consequent amendments to the existing Ordinance do not reflect the cases of academic staff.

BM 65.19.2 Registrar informed the members that the University has written to the MHRD regarding the Career Advancement cases of certain academic staff and that clarification from MHRD is still awaited.

BM 65.19.3 With the above observations the members agreed to adopt the modified version of Ordinance on Career Advancement of teachers and consequent amendments to the existing ordinance in principle subject to clearance by the MHRD. A copy of the ordinance is placed at **Appendix-XI**.

ITEM NO. 20 TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE CENTRAL AIR-CONDITIONING OF BLOCK A,B,C,D,F&G OF THE ACADEMIC COMPLEX AT AN ESTIMATED COST OF RS. 4.7 CRORES

BM 65.20.1 The Board considered the proposal for the Central Air-conditioning of Block A,B,C,D F and G of the Academic Complex at an estimated cost of Rs. 4.7 crores.

BM 65.20.2 The Board viewed that the proposal involves an expenditure to the tune of Rs. 4.7 crores for the purpose and it would be desirable to have the proposal examined in the Finance Committee.

BM 65.20.3 The Board accepted the proposal in principle subject to clearance by the Finance Committee.

ITEM NO. 21 TO REPORT FOR INFORMATION THE OFFERING OF 100 SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TO THE STUDENTS OF SOUTH ASIAN COUNTRIES FOR PURSUING THEIR HIGHER STUDIES AT IGNOU

BM 65.21.1 The Board noted that the Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India has come forward to offer 100 scholarships for students of South Asian Countries (Bhutan, Maldives, Nepal and Sri Lanka) to enable them to carry out their studies at IGNOU. Value of each scholarship would be Rs. 20000/- (Rupees Twenty Thousand only) and IGNOU would raise a claim of Rs. 20 lakhs annually. To begin with IGNOU will offer five academic programmes - Certificate in Computing, Bachelor of Information Technology, Master of Business Administration, Bachelor of Library and Information Sciences and Bachelor of Tourism Studies.

ITEM NO. 22 TO REPORT THE ADDITION OF TWO CLAUSES IN THE ED-EXCEL AGREEMENT ALREADY APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT AND TO APPROVE THE SIGNING OF OVERSEAS CENTRE AGREEMENT WITH EDEXCEL.

BM 65.22.1 The Board considered the proposal and approved the addition of two clauses in the agreement already signed with M/s. Edexcel as indicated below :

- (i) the clause relating to Overseas Agreement Centre under the title "Definitions interpretation" be added in the Agreement.
- (ii) Similarly the Clause (d) in Para 12.3 be reintroduced in the Ed Excel Agreement.

BM 65.22.2 The Board further considered and approved the draft of Overseas Centre Agreement to be entered with Ed Excel Enterprises Ltd., a copy of which is placed at **Appendix XII**.

ITEM NO. 23 TO RATIFY THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR IN SIGNING MOU/AGREEMENTS

BM 65.23.1 The Board ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in signing the following MOUs/Agreements.

- a) Extension of Agreement between the Commonwealth of Learning and IGNOU
- b) Agreement between MICROSOFT Operation Pte Ltd. and IGNOU
- c) Agreement between Mascareignes Academy of Law, Economics and Management (MALEM) Mauritius and IGNOU. A copy each of the Agreement is placed at **Appendix-XIII**.

ITEM NO. 24 TO RATIFY THE ACTION TAKEN BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR IN SIGNING TRIPARTITE "AGREEMENT" BETWEEN GOVERNMENT OF REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES, MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF INDIA AND INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY

BM 65.24.1 The Board ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in signing the Tripartite Agreement between Govt. of Republic of Maldives, Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India and Indira Gandhi National Open University. A copy of the Agreement is placed at **Appendix-XIV**.

ITEM NO. 25 RETIREMENT AGE OF NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYEES - CASES OF DEPUTATIONISTS WHO JOINED BEFORE CUT OFF DATE BUT ABSORBED IN IGNOU AFTER THE CUT OFF DATE (16.05.1989)

BM 65.25.1 The Registrar explained that at initial stages certain number of officers joined the IGNOU from various Central and Autonomous organisations. The matter relating to absorption of these officers in IGNOU were not settled between IGNOU and their parent departments on the date of Board's resolution dated 16.5.1989 concerning the cutoff date for age of retirement. The absorption cases of these officers were settled after the cut off date viz. 16.5.89.

BM 65.25.2 Keeping in view the circumstances bearing on the age of retirement of these deputationists and that these officers made good contributions to the organization, the Board agreed that the age of retirement at 62 years be extended to the deputationists who were absorbed in the University after the cut off date viz. 16.05.1989 taking their date of joining into account. This benefit will, however, be available to only such category of officers as are covered by Government/University Grants Commission.

**ITEM NO. 26 PURCHASE OF OFFICE
ACCOMMODATION FOR REGIONAL
CENTRE, BHOPAL**

BM 65.26.1 The Board approved the purchase of a building known as Sanchi Complex of Madhya Pradesh Housing Board. The details of the building are given below :

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| Floor area of the building | = 7858 sq.ft |
| Cost @ Rs. 1100 per sq.ft | = Rs. 86,49,800/- |
| Lease rent for 11 years in | |
| Advance @ Rs. 86,438 per annum | = Rs. 950818 |
| Land Maintenance Charges | = Rs. 2000/- per annum |
| Common Service Charges | = Rs. 7200/- per annum |

BM 65.26.2 The Board further decided that this may be reported to the Finance Committee at its next meeting as provision for this has been recommended in revised estimates.

**ITEM NO. 27 APPOINTMENT OF PRO-VICE-
CHANCELLOR**

BM 65.27.1 The Board accepted the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor and approved the appointment of Shri D.C. Pant as the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of IGNOU under Statute 3 of the Statutes of IGNOU in the revised pay scale of Pro-Vice-Chancellors, Rs. 18400-500-22400/- .

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

(ABDUL W. KHAN)
Vice-Chancellor