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# MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING (Online) HELD ON 20.12.2020, 11.00 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.

An Online meeting of the Executive Council of Hidayatullah National Law University took place on 20.12.2020 at 11:00 a.m., wherein the following Hon'ble Members were present:

- 1. Hon'ble Shri Justice M.R. Shah, Judge, Supreme Court of India
- 2. Hon'ble Shri Justice Parth Prateem Sahu, Judge, High Court of Chhattisgarh
- Prof. (Dr.) V.C. Vivekanandan, Vice-Chancellor, Hidayatullah National Law University
- 4. Shri Satish Chandra Verma, Advocate General, Chhattisgarh
- 5. Shri Prabhakar Singh Chandel, Chairman, State Bar Council of Chhattisgarh
- 6. Smt. Alarmelmangai D., Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Chhattisgarh
- Shri N.K. Chandravanshi, Principal Secretary, Law and Legal Affairs Department, Government of Chhattisgarh
- Shri Dhananjay Dewangan, Secretary, Higher Education Department, Government of Chhattisgarh
- 9. Shri Shailendra Dubey, Advocate, High Court of Chhattisgarh & Member, Bar Council of India (on behalf of Chairman, Bar Council of India).
- 10. Dr. Yamala Papa Rao, Assistant Professor, HNLU
- 11. Dr. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Assistant Professor, HNLU.

Prof. V. C. Vivekanandan-Vice Chancellor welcomed the members and requested Hon'ble Shri Justice M. R. Shah, Judge, Supreme Court of India to Chair the meeting.

Thereafter, with due permission of the Chair, the agenda items were taken up and decided as under:

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1.	Perusal and confirmation of the minutes of the Executive Council meeting held on 07.12.2019.  Notes: Minutes of the Executive Council meeting held on 07.12.2019.  Decision: The Executive Council perused and confirmed the minutes of the meeting of 07.12.2019.						
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#### Decision:

Action taken report was perused by the Executive Council and decided that:

- The advertisement for the sanctioned position of Registrar, Faculty and Staff to be completed before March 31<sup>st</sup> of 2021 following UGC/ University & applicable State guidelines and place for approval of the Executive Council in the next meeting.
- 2. A detailed report on the advances recovered of the faculty/staff and students to be placed before the next Executive Council meeting.

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- a) A detailed report on the recovery process of wrongful payment to the Seven (7) staff members given in the CAG report along with schedule and modalities of such recoveries to be placed before the next Executive Council meeting.
- b) The payment of the wrongful self-claim of HRA by the accounts staff to be recovered with immediate effect.
- c) The wrongful payment reported by the CAG to one faculty member and the legal opinion on the same to be reported in the next Executive Council meeting.
- The action taken reports of (a) The Internal Complaints Committee and (b) The Equal Opportunity Cell to be placed in the next Executive Council meeting.
- 3. Perusal and approval of the minutes and recommendations of the Finance Committee meeting held on 12.12.2020.

#### Notes:

A meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 12.12.2020.

It is proposed that the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 12.12.2020 and recommended for the approval by the Executive Council.

#### Decision:

Recommendation of Finance Committee was perused by the Executive Council and decided that:

- The Fee concession forwarded by Finance Committee and approved by Executive Council by way of circulation on 26.10.2020 is endorsed. The proposal for extending to the newly joined UG and PG students for the first semester and to extend it further on pro rata basis till the University reopens is endorsed by the Executive Council.
- 2. The recommendation of the Finance Committee to increase the fee structure for 2021-22 batch of UG and PG is approved by the Executive Council. Financial aid in the form of Scholarships / Loans for students with economic difficulty to be designed by the university.

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- 3. The completed Audit Report of 2019-20 to be placed in the next Executive Council meeting.
- 4. The revised budget of 2020-21 and proposed budget 2021-22 recommended by the Finance Committee is approved by the Executive Council. The Finance Secretary and the Law Secretary were requested to do the needful for early disbursal of grants and help the university to overcome any deficit in the budget.
- 4. Perusal and approval of the minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 05.11.2020.

#### Notes

A virtual meeting of the Academic Council was held on 05.11.2020 from 06.00 p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

It is proposed that the minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 05.11.2020 may be approved by the Executive Council.

#### Decision:

Perused and approved by the Executive Council.

5. Proposal of Fourth Convocation on 10th January 2021 for back log graduates of 2015-2019 (Five Batches).

## Notes:

The University proposes to hold its Fourth Convocation on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2021 for the five graduating batches of 2015-2019 B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) and LL.M. through virtual streaming consented by the Hon'ble Chancellor and Chief Justice of Chhattisgarh. Hon'ble Visitor and Chief Justice of India has also consented to participate in the virtual convocation. The Hon'ble Chancellor has proposed the name Hon'ble Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh as the Chief Guest and has received his consent.

Placed for the approval of the Hon'ble members of the Executive Council.

#### **Decision:**

Perused and approved by the Executive Council. The Vice Chancellor to proceed in consultation with Hon'ble Chancellor.

6. Confirmation of Faculty Members on completion of probation.

#### Notes:

The following faculty members have completed their probation successfully and are recommended for confirmation to the Executive Council: -

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Sl.	Name of the Faculty Member	Designation	Date of joining	Date of completion of two years' probation period
1.	Mr. Jeevan Sagar	Assistant Professor (English)	05.01.2018	05.01.2020
2.	Mr. Kamal Narayan	Assistant Professor (Political Science)	06.01.2018	05.01.2020
3.	Mr. Pradeep Barman	Assistant Professor (English)	08.01.2018	10.01.2020
4.	Mr. Aashutosh Kumar Aahire	Assistant Professor (Political Science)	12.01.2018	11.01.2020

#### Decision:

Perused and confirmed by the Executive Council.

# 7. Proposal to change NRI sponsored seats to NRI/Foreign quota.

## Notes:

The University has a quota of 16 seats for NRI/NRI sponsored candidates and 4 seats for candidates under Foreign Quota for the course of B.A. LL.B. (Hons.)

As per the decision of Supreme Court of India in case of P.A. Inamdar & Ors vs State of Maharashtra & Ors on 12 August, 2005 the seats to be filled only by the NRI candidates not by the NRI sponsored candidates.

A case filed by Late Prof. Shamnad Bashir on this subject is pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The Consortium of National Law Universities has advised to revisit this matter for announcing the seat matrix for the forthcoming CLAT 2021 to be advertised on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021.

The University hereby proposes for an amendment of the NRI /NRI sponsored seat of Sixteen (16) and Foreign Quota seats of Four (4) (Total of 20) to Eight (8) NRI Seats and Two (2) Foreign Quota seats for a total of Ten (10).

It is also proposed that any unfulfilled seats of NRI quota and Foreign quota be transferred to General category of waitlisted students as per CLAT merit list. They shall pay the fee of the regular General category of students.

#### Decision:

- 1. The Executive Council approved for conversion of the sixteen (16) seats of NRI/NRI sponsored to eight (8) seats of NRI and the four (4) seats under Foreign quota to two (2) seats.
- 2. The reduced ten (10) seats of the earlier 20 seats under the NRI/NRI sponsored and Foreign seats to be reverted to Indian national quota as per existing seat matrix of the university.

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# SI. Agenda Item 3. In case of seats not filled under revised NRI / Foreign quota after a specified deadline to be offered for Indian National as per existing seat matrix and fee under this category. Proposal for OBC in the All-India Category of Admissions to UG and PG courses. 8. Notes: The National Commission for Backward Classes have mandated that all Universities to provide 27 % of seats to OBC category. Currently HNLU offers 14% to OBC under the Chhattisgarh category of 80 seats. The issue was deliberated in the last Executive Council meeting held on 07.12.2019 and a committee under Hon'ble Shri Justice M.R. Shah was formed to study the issue. The University has been summoned by the Chairman of NCBC on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2020 to state its position. The University looks forward further advise on this subject from the members of the Executive Council for representing the same. Decision: The Vice Chancellor to propose a meeting in January 2021 to deliberate for a suitable decision by the committee. 9. Annual Report of the University for the F.Y. 2019-20. Notes: As per Statute 25 of the Hidayatullah National University of Law, Chhattisgarh Act, 2003, Annual Reports of the University is to be placed before the Executive Council and later on to be placed before the GC. Decision: Perused and approved by the Executive Council for placing it before the General Council. 10. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair. Decision: The Executive Council endorsed the suggestion of the Vice Chancellor to send a letter of gratitude to the Hon'ble Justices Shri Arun Kumar Mishra ji, Hon'ble Shri Justice Deepak Gupta ji, Hon'ble Justice Pritinker Diwakar ji for their guidance and support in the last term on behalf of the Executive Council and HNLU fraternity.

The meeting concluded with vote of Thanks.

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