

HIDAYATULLAH NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, NAVA RAIPUR (C.G.)

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15.04.2023 AT 11:30 A.M.

A meeting of the Executive Council of Hidayatullah National Law University took place on 15.04.2023 at 11:30 a.m., wherein the following Hon'ble Members were present:

1. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M.R. Shah, Judge, Supreme Court of India
2. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Prashant Kumar Mishra, Chief Justice, High Court of Andhra Pradesh
3. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay K. Agrawal, Judge, High Court of Chhattisgarh
4. Prof.(Dr.)V.C. Vivekanandan, Vice-Chancellor, Hidayatullah National Law University
5. Prof.(Dr.) Ranbir Singh, Pro-Chancellor, IILM University, Gurgaon (joined online)
6. Shri Ram Kumar Tiwari, Principal Secretary, Law and Legal Affairs Department, Government of Chhattisgarh
7. Prof. (Dr.) Yogendra Kumar Srivastava, Professor, Hidayatullah National Law University
8. Prof. (Dr.) Uday Shankar, Registrar, Hidayatullah National Law University

Prof.(Dr.) V.C. Vivekanandan, Vice Chancellor, Chairperson of the Executive Council welcomed the members with a brief introduction for the meeting 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.	<p>Perusal and confirmation of the minutes of the Executive Council meeting held on 30.07.2022.</p> <p>Notes: Minutes of the Executive Council meeting dated 30.07.2022 is placed for perusal.</p> <p>Decision: Perused and approved.</p>
2.	<p>Action Taken Report on the decision of the Executive Council meeting dated 30.07.2022 for perusal.</p> <p>Notes: Action Taken Report on the decision of the Executive Council meeting dated 30.07.2022 is placed for perusal.</p> <p>Decision: Perused and approved by the Executive Council. The Executive Council directed the University to expedite the submission of Revised Staff Regulation 2023</p>

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	through circulation for the perusal and approval of the members. (Any Other Item no. 12(A) of Action Taken Report document)
3.	<p>Perusal and confirmation of the minutes of the Executive Council meeting held online on 10.10.2022.</p> <p>Notes: Minutes of the Executive Council meeting dated 10.10.2022 is placed for perusal.</p> <p>Decision: Perused and approved.</p>
4.	<p>Action Taken Report on the decision of the Executive Council meeting dated 10.10.2022 for perusal.</p> <p>Notes: Action Taken Report on the decision of the Executive Council meeting dated 10.10.2022 is placed for perusal.</p> <p>Decision: Perused and approved.</p>
5.	<p>Perusal and approval of the minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 16.10.2022.</p> <p>Notes: The minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 16.10.2022 is placed for perusal.</p> <p>Decision: Perused and approved. The Executive Council placed its appreciation on the institution of two gold medals for LL.M. by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay K. Agrawal, Judge, High Court of Chhattisgarh.</p>
6.	<p>Perusal and approval of the minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 26.02.2023.</p> <p>Notes: The minutes of the Academic Council meeting dated 26.02.2023 is placed for perusal.</p> <p>Decision: Perused and approved.</p>
7.	<p>Perusal and approval of the minutes and recommendations of the Finance Committee meeting held on 18.03.2023.</p> <p>Notes: The minutes and recommendations of the Finance Committee meeting dated 18.03.2023 is placed herewith for perusal.</p> <p>Decision: Perused and approved.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Wymanku</i></p>

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8.	<p>Perusal and approval of the Audit Report of the Chartered Accountant for the Financial Year 2021-22.</p> <p>Notes: The Audit Report prepared by the Chartered Accountant for the Financial Year 2021-22 was placed before the Financial Committee meeting held on 18.03.2023 and approved. This is placed herewith for the perusal and approval of the EC members.</p> <p>Decision: The Executive Council perused and approved the Audit Report for the Financial Year 2021-22 with the following observation and suggestions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The amount of Rs.11, 45,106.00 as "work-in-progress" (WIP) included in Fixed Assets pertains to an abandoned project, and the instruction is received from the Executive Council for its closure, the University will write off the said amount from the current F.Y. i.e. 2023-24. 2. The TDS receivable is the refund which university is supposed to get from the Income Tax department which amounts to Rs.10, 37,447 and it is standing in the books of accounts as the university is contending that it has exemption status for the FY 2018-19 with the department. This amount is not against the short deduction made but the refund of the excess amount paid as TDS. The university is currently making efforts to nullify the demand for FY 2018-19 by the Income Tax Department. Therefore, as suggested by the auditors, TDS receivable and demand outstanding of various past years will be adjusted on settlement of the pending case.
9.	<p>Perusal and approval of the Annual Report for the Year 2021-22.</p> <p>Notes: The Annual Report for the Academic year 2021-22 is placed herewith for perusal.</p> <p>Decision: The Executive Council perused and approved the Annual Report for the year 2021-22. The Chair suggested bringing out good quality printed copies of the annual report, which will showcase the achievements to the stakeholders.</p>
10.	<p><u>Any other Item with permission to the Chair.</u></p> <p>A. Status Report on Recruitment of Non-Teaching and Teaching Staff.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The sanctioned posts of non-teaching and teaching positions were advertised on 05th November 2022 as per the norms of the university regulations. Accordingly, the preliminary interviews for shortlisting candidates for non-teaching posts were conducted from 28th February to 4th of March 2023. The final interviews are to be held on the 18th -20th of April 2023 at the campus. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>whymankz</i></p>

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	<p>2. The Teaching positions interviews are to be held in the second week of May 2023, and the database of the selection committee members from which the selection committee is to be constituted is submitted herewith for approval.</p> <p>3. On completion of the selection of the non-teaching and teaching positions, the list will be sent to the members for approval, and thereupon the orders will be issued.</p> <p>Decision: The Executive Council acknowledged the information and approved the circulation of the selected candidates/ details to the members after completion for approval. Further, the Executive Council perused the database of the revised list of selection committee members for the teaching positions and approved the same.</p> <p>B. Status of the Action taken on the Inquiry proceedings of the suspended employees.</p> <p>Notes:</p> <p>1. The inquiry proceedings on the two employees, Mr. Anil Kumar Singh and Mr. Dinesh Kumar Lalwani, suspended for removing confidential documents from the University, were completed on 27th January 2023 and 28th January 2023, respectively. The report establishing the grave misconduct by the inquiry committee was duly communicated to the suspended employees and also received their written response. Thereupon based on the legal opinion and personal perusal of the findings by the competent authority, they were dismissed from service on 6th March 2023.</p> <p>2. The SLP final hearing is posted on 25th April 2023, and the outcome will be communicated to the Executive Council. The dismissed employees did not opt for an appeal to the Executive Council within one month of the order as stipulated in the Staff Regulation 2015. The order is submitted for information herewith.</p> <p>Decision: The Executive Council acknowledged the information and approved the action taken by the University on the dismissal of the two suspended employees based on the inquiry and due process adopted by the University on its decision.</p> <p>C. Rationalization of the transport facilities for staff and students.</p> <p>Note: The University operates two buses every evening for the students to visit the city. This scheme came when the campus became functional in 2009 with no other transport facility available and to allow students to buy essentials in the city. In 2013 the University started the Utility Centre, which has around 7 shops which, include a Coffee Day shop, an Indian snack bar, an essential needs shop,</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>W. J. Manjari</i></p>

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	<p>a juice shop, an Amul Ice Cream shop, and a unisex salon/beauty parlor. Further, everyday online portals deliver all goods like Amazon, Flipkart, and Big Basket, to name a few. The University will also start its laundromat in the coming academic year.</p> <p>Also, to be informed that the Naya Raipur Development Authority has facilitated an exclusive Bus station near the campus, and all the buses come to the main road near the gate (walking distance) every 30 minutes to the city center.</p> <p>It is to be informed that the buses operated are around 12 years old and incur heavy expenditure of repairs, exclusive drivers till late evening/night and also need to go out of service in a couple of years with the new vehicle policy of phasing out old public vehicles. It is proposed to take guidance from the Executive Council to rationalize the transport system to cut the administrative and other attendant issues of continuing this daily city tour scheme.</p> <p>Decision: The Executive Council deliberated and felt that given the changes that have taken place, the scheme started more than 14 years needs to be revisited. Accordingly, it was suggested that the University can purchase a two air-conditioned mini-busses of around 40 seater capacity, of which one can be used for staff transport and the other one for students especially for essential travel like participating in programmes in other institutes, visiting city courts and weekend city travel facility.</p> <p>Further, the buses which are already serviced long to be disposed of before they become scrap value. The University can also explore revisiting the charges levied as transport based on the revised services with a proposal to the Finance committee to implement the same in the next academic year.</p>

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