

**हिमाचल प्रदेश केंद्रीय विश्वविद्यालय**  
**CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF HIMACHAL PRADESH**



**MINUTES**

OF

**35<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
HELD ON 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2018 at 11:30 A.M.**

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#### MINUTES

- The 35<sup>th</sup> Executive Council Meeting of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala was held on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 at 11.30 AM at Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Camp Office, Dharamshala, District – Kangra, Himachal Pradesh – 176215. The meeting was adjourned as the quorum was not complete.
- The meeting was re-convened after 30 minutes and the following members were present:

Sr. No.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MEMBERS	
1.	<b>Prof. Kuldip Chand Agnihotri</b> Vice Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh	<b>CHAIRMAN</b>
2.	<b>Prof. H. R. Sharma</b> Pro Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh	MEMBER
3.	<b>Prof. Sudesh Garg</b> Director, Himalayan Institute of Management Studies, Kala Amb, District Sirmaur, H.P.	MEMBER
4.	<b>Prof. R.C. Sobti</b> Vice-Chancellor, BBA University, Lucknow	MEMBER
5.	<b>Dr. R.P. Luthra</b> HoD, Dental Department, Dr. Y.S.P.S. Medical College, Nahan, HP.	MEMBER
6.	<b>Prof. Ambrish Kumar Mahajan</b> Dean, School of Life Sciences, CUHP	MEMBER
7.	<b>Prof. Roshan Lal Sharma,</b> Dean Students Welfare	MEMBER
8.	<b>Dr. Pradeep Kumar,</b> Dean, School of Journalism & Creative Writing, CUHP	MEMBER
9.	Prof. Manoj K Saxena Dean, School of Education	MEMBER
10.	<b>Prof. O.S.K.S. Sastri</b> Professor, Department of Physics & Astronomical Sciences	MEMBER
11.	<b>Registrar</b> Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala	<b>Ex-Officio Secretary</b>

3. The following members could not attend the meeting due to their prior commitments and unavoidable reasons and were granted leave of absence.

Sr. No.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MEMBERS	
1.	<b>Secretary (or his / her nominee),</b> Department of Higher Education, MHRD, New Delhi	MEMBER
2.	<b>Secretary (Higher Education),</b> Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-H.P.	MEMBER
3.	<b>Chairman (or his/her nominee)</b> University Grants Commission, New Delhi	MEMBER
4.	<b>Prof. Nareshh Padha,</b> Department of Physics & Electronics University of Jammu	MEMBER
5.	<b>Prof. Jagat Bhushan Nadda,</b> Director, Consortium for Educational Communication, UAC Campus, Aruna Asaf Ali Marg, New Delhi	MEMBER
6.	<b>Prof. S.P. Bansal</b> Vice-Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh Technical University, Hamirpur, H.P.	MEMBER
7.	<b>Prof. Ravi Kumar</b> Professor, Centre for Materials Science and Engineering, NIT Hamirpur, H.P	MEMBER
8.	<b>Prof. K.R.S. Smbhashiva Rao</b> Vice-Chancellor, University of Mizoram, Aizawl, Mizoram	MEMBER
9.	<b>Dr. S. V. Ngachan</b> Director, ICAR RC-NEH Region, Umroi Road, Umiam, Meghalaya	MEMBER
10.	<b>Prof. I. V. Malhan</b> Dean, School of MC&IS, CUHP	MEMBER
11.	<b>Sh. Manoj Dhiman</b> Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science & Informatics, CUHP	MEMBER

4. The Vice-Chancellor, CUHP (Chairman) extended a warm welcome and thanked all the members for sparing their valuable time to make it possible to attend this meeting. The Chairman also welcomed Dr. R.P. Luthra and introduced Dr. Luthra among the members as he was attending the Executive Council meeting for the first time.
5. The Vice-Chancellor informed the members of the Executive Council that The Indian Society of Agricultural Economics has conferred Fellow of ISAE for the year 2018 to Prof. H.R. Sharma for his lifetime contribution to the field of agricultural economics and rural development. The ISAE Fellow Award was awarded in the award ceremony held at the Inaugural function of the 78<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Society at New Delhi on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2018. The Executive Council noted and desired that an appreciation letter on behalf of the Executive Council be issued to Prof. Sharma for this award.
6. The Vice-Chancellor (Chairman) apprised the members that the Central University of Himachal Pradesh becomes the member of Ministry of Human Resource Development Innovation Council named as Institution Innovation Council (IIC). The IIC was inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister of HRM on 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2018 at AICTE Auditorium, New Delhi. Prof. A.K. Mahajan has been

nominated as President of IIC and Dr. Dilbag Singh as Coordinator of IIC of Central University of Himachal Pradesh.

7. The Chairman thereafter invited Registrar-cum-Secretary for taking up agenda items. The Registrar informed the members that Letter F.No. 61-19/2015-Desk(U) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2016 received from Ministry of Human Resource Development and Official Secret Act were circulated amongst all the members by email. Acknowledgement of the same is awaited. Copies of these are also placed with the Agenda Notes for perusal.
8. Then, the Agenda items were taken up by the Registrar-cum-Secretary for discussion.

Item No. 35.1: Confirmation of the Minutes of 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

Minutes of the 34<sup>th</sup> Executive Council Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 were confirmed.

Item No. 35.2 : To place before the Executive Council the Report about the Action Taken on the decision of its 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

The Executive Council noted the report about the Action Taken on the decisions of 34<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council held on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

#### **ITEM(S) FOR CONSIDERATION AND DECISION**

Item No.35.3: To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding completion of probation and confirmation of Dr. Bhajhari Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Sanskrit.

Consequent upon appointment on regular basis in this University, Dr. Bhajhari Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Sanskrit has joined the University during the year 2017 as per date mentioned against his name. As per terms and conditions of the appointment letter, the appointment of Assistant Professor was on probation for a period of one year in the first instance from the date of his joining which may further be extended for another period:

The date of completion of the probation period is mentioned here:

Sr. No.	Name of the official	Designation	Date of Joining	Date of completion of probation period
1.	Dr. Bhajhari Das	Assistant Professor, Dept. of Sanskrit	02.08.2017	01.08.2018

There is nothing on records wherein disciplinary proceedings have been contemplated or initiated against him.

As per Rules on the expiry of the period of probation, steps should be taken to obtain the assessment reports on the probation and to –

- (a) Confirm the probationer/issue orders regarding satisfactory termination of probation, as the case may be, if the probation has been completed to the satisfaction of the competent authority; or
- (b) Extend the period of probation or discharge the probationer or terminate the services of the probationer, as the case may be, in accordance with the relevant rules and orders, if the probationer has not completed the period of probation satisfactorily.

Accordingly, the work and conduct of the above employee during his probation period has been obtained from the Dean concerned who has recommended for clearance of probation of above Assistant Professor.

Therefore, it is proposed that above Assistant Professor be granted satisfactory completion of his probation period from the date shown above and be confirmed in the University service from the date of his joining.

The Executive Council approved the confirmation of Dr. Bhajhari Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Sanskrit from the date of completion of probation period i.e. 01.08.2018.

Item No. 35.4:

To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding repatriation of Dr. Asutosh Pradhan, Associate Professor, Department of Social Work.

Dr. Asutosh Pradhan was selected to the post of Professor in the Department of Sociology at Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, North Bihar vide appointment letter No. 1-1/MGCUB/ Rectt./2016/509 dated 30.09.2016 and was relieved from this University on 30.09.2016 by retaining lien for a period of two years to the permanent post held by him vide Office Order F. No. SS/2-3/ CUHP/2012/909 dated 30.09.2016.

The teacher vide his letter dated 27.09.2018 requested the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh to repatriate within currency of the lien period which the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has considered and accordingly, Dr. Asutosh Pradhan was repatriated to this University vide Office Order F.No. 5-1/CUHP/Estt./2012/4921-26 dated 28.09.2018.

The Executive Council considered and approved the repatriation of Dr. Asutosh Pradhan, Associate Professor, Department of Social Work in the Central University of Himachal Pradesh.

Item No.35.5: To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding selection of Prof. Deepak Pant, Department of Environmental Science to the post of Professor at Central University Haryana.

Dr. Deepak Pant, Professor (on CAS), Department of Environmental Science had applied for the post of Professor in Department of Chemistry under School of Chemical Sciences at Central University Haryana through proper channel vide letter F.No. 5-5/CUHP/Estt./ 2012/88-89 Dated 11.01.2018. Consequent upon his selection for the said post the teacher has submitted his technical resignation to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and the same was accepted. Accordingly, the teacher was relieved from this University on 20.08.2018 by retaining lien for a period of two years to the permanent post held by him in this University vide Office Order F.No. 5-5/CUHP/Estt./ 2012/3978-82 dated 20.08.2018.

The Executive Council considered and approved the joining of Prof. Deepak Pant in Central University Haryana by retaining lien for a period of two years to the permanent post held by him in this University.

Item No. 35.6 To place before the Executive Council the recommendations made by the Academic Council in its 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 at Camp Office, Dharamshala, District Kangra H.P.

The 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council was held on 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 at 11.30 A.M. at Camp Office, Dharamshala, District Kangra H.P. The recommendations of the Academic Council are placed at **ANNEXURE-35.6A** for consideration and approval of the Executive Council. The following Items(s) were placed before the Academic Council:

**Item(s) for Reporting and Ratification:**

1. Ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor under sub-section (3) of Section 11 of the Central Universities Act 2009 with regard to approval of University Prospectus 2018-19 for admission to Certificate/Under-Graduate/Post-Graduate Programmes.
2. The recommendations of the Committee constituted to enter into MoU for Skill Development, Outcome Based Trainings, Placement, R&D Services and Related Services.

**Item(s) for Consideration and Approval:**

1. The matter to seek advice for holding the fifth Convocation of the University.
2. The recommendations of various School Boards.
3. The matter regarding registration of students for 4 credits from the courses available on SWAYAM portal in each semester.
4. The matter regarding amendment in Regulation No. 7 which deals with residing and behavior of resident students in Hostels.

5. The amendment to Ordinance No. 2, 30 and 43.
6. The decision taken by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor to start new Department of Biotechnology & Genome in the School of Engineering Sciences and Technology.
7. The Annual Report 2017-18 of the University for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2018.
8. The Minutes of Third Meeting of Advisory Committee of DDUKK.
9. The recommendations of 6<sup>th</sup> School Board Meeting of School of Physical & Material Sciences held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2018.

Prof. R.C. Sobti suggested that a dual degree programme i.e. M.Sc. and M.Tech. in Department of Biotechnology & Genome in the School of Engineering Sciences and Technology should be started for more scope to the students. The Executive Council approved the same.

The Executive Council deliberated on the minutes of Board of Studies of Department of Political Science. The Executive Council was informed that the Agenda item passed in the Academic Council regarding syllabus of Political Science contained only the course structure and not the detailed syllabus for courses offered. It was informed by Prof. H.R. Sharma, that as per practice, only Course Structure for any degree programme is approved in the first meeting of the Board of Studies of the Department concerned, after that the Course Structure is forwarded to the faculty for preparing the detailed syllabus. The detailed syllabus is then placed before the concerned Board of Studies/School Board for its approval and further in Academic Council. Accordingly in case of M.A. (Political Science) only course structure was approved in the first meeting of the Board of Studies of Department of Political Science, the same shall be forwarded to the faculty for preparing the detailed syllabus. Then the detailed syllabus shall be placed before the concerned Board of Studies/School Board for its approval and further in Academic Council and Executive Council.

Further, minutes of School Boards were placed before the 21<sup>st</sup> Academic Council vide Item No. 21.6 held on 29<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 for consideration and approval. The Academic Council approved/recommended the case for granting special chance for change/allotment of Supervisor for Ph.D. from other Department(s) without being any specific agenda. The specific agenda for the same was required to be approved by the concerned Boards of Studies through concerned School Boards as per provisions contained in Ordinance 42 of the University. The Executive Council noted the fact and authorized the Vice-Chancellor of the University to take necessary action as per provisions of the University Ordinances.

The Executive Council approved other minutes of School Boards and also the minutes of Academic Council.

Item No. 35.1(T): To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding termination of services of Sh. Kartar Chand Security Officer.

Sh. Kartar Chand was appointed to the post of Security Officer vide offer of appointment letter No. 1-4/CUHP/Rectt./2010/Vol.III/1871-74 dated 31.05.2018. He joined the post on 29.06.2018 vide office order No. 7-80/CUHP/Estt./2018/2819-21 dated 29.06.2018.

During the pay fixation process it was found that Sh. Kartar Chand does not have the requisite experience for the post of Security Officer as on last date for submission of applications i.e. 19.10.2017. As per Advt. No. 001/2017 dated 27.05.2017 the essential qualification and working experience was required as under:-

- i. A Graduate or an equivalent qualification from a recognized University.
- ii. At least 20 years' experience in Police / Para-Military Forces / Armed Forces of the Union and not below the rank of Sub-Inspector (Exe) / Subedar or an equivalent position with Exemplary Service.
- iii. Holding a Valid Driving License to ride Jeep / Motor Cycle.

The entire matter was placed before the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor approved the termination of services of Sh. Kartar Chand as Security Officer in CUHP in pursuance to the provisions contained under FR-31. Accordingly the termination order was issued to Sh. Kartar Chand vide officer order No. 7-88/CUHP/Estt./2018/3738-40.

The Chairman further apprised the Executive Council that Sh. Kartar Chand has approached High Court of Himachal Pradesh. The last hearing of the petition was on 22.10.2018. The Hon'ble court in its interim order dated 16.08.2018 has passed that "*Post of Security Officer be not filled up.*" Any further action in the matter shall be taken in compliance of Court Order only.

The Executive Council noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor and approved the same.

Item No. 35.2(T): To place before the Executive Council the matter to condone the delay in submission of medical fitness certificate.

There are following two cases where the Vice-Chancellor of the university has accorded his approval to condone the delay in submission of medical fitness certificate on appointment of candidates to the post of Multi-Tasking Staff (MTS) and Laboratory Attendant.

**(a)** Ms. Nisha Kumari, Multi-Tasking Staff: The incumbent was initially appointed to the post of Kitchen Attendant vide this office letter No. 1-4/CUHP/Rectt./2010/Vol.III/1963-66 dated 31.05.2018 and joined as such on 08.06.2018 (FN) vide office order No. 7-65/CUHP/Estt./2018 dated 08.06.2018 after submission of due medical fitness certificate issued by the competition authority. As a result of operating of reserve panel due to non-



joining of candidates Ms. Nisha Kumari was offered appointment to the post of Multi-Tasking Staff(MTS) after due approval of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, as she was also in the panel. Ms. Nisha Kumari resigned from the post of Kitchen Attendant on 20.07.2018 (AN) and opted to join as MTS w.e.f. 20.07.2018 (AN) which was accepted by the Vice-Chancellor. Since both the posts are 'Group C' posts carrying same pay scale and educational qualifications, the medical certificate submitted by Ms. Nisha Kumari at the time of joining as Kitchen Attendant was considered at the time of joining for the post of MTS also. It was pointed out during pay fixation that a fresh certificate was required to be submitted by the incumbent at the time of joining to the post of MTS. Fresh medical certificate was resubmitted on 07.09.2018 by the candidate. The gap of 48 days for submission of medical certificate by Ms. Nisha Kumari was condoned by the Vice-Chancellor.

**(b)** Sh. Sumit Kumar Agnihotri, Laboratory Attendant: The incumbent was initially appointed to the post of Hostel Attendant vide this office letter No. 1-4/CUHP/Rectt./2010/Vol.III/1911-14 dated 31.05.2018 and joined as such on 01.06.2018 (FN) vide office order No. 7-40/CUHP/Estt./2018/2002-04 dated 01.06.2018 after submission of due medical fitness certificate issued by the competition authority. As a result of operating of reserve panel due to non-joining of candidates Sh. Sumit Kumar Agnihotri was offered appointment to the post of Laboratory Attendant after due approval of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, as he was also in the panel. Sh. Sumit Kumar Agnihotri resigned from the post of Hostel Attendant on 14.06.2018 (AN) and opted to join as Laboratory Attendant w.e.f. 14.06.2018 (AN) which was accepted by the Vice-Chancellor. Since both the posts are 'Group C' posts carrying same pay scale and educational qualifications, the medical certificate submitted by Sh. Sumit Kumar Agnihotri at the time of joining as Hostel Attendant was considered at the time of joining for the post of MTS also. It was pointed out during pay fixation that a fresh certificate was required to be submitted by the incumbent at the time of joining to the post of MTS. Which Fresh medical certificate was resubmitted by the candidate on 07.09.2018 . The gap of 84 days for submission of fresh medical certificate by Sh. Sumit Kumar Agnihotri was condoned by the Vice-Chancellor.

The Executive Council noted the matter to condone the submission of fresh medical fitness certificates of both (i) Ms. Nisha Kumar, MTS and (ii) Sh. Sumit Kumar Agnihotri, Laboratory Attendant and approved the same.

ITEM NO 35.3(T): To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding repatriation of Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Professor, Department of Social Work.

Consequent upon appointment to the post of Vice-Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari (Bihar), Prof. Arvind Agrawal was relieved from the university services on 03.02.2016 (FN) vide office order No. 3-4/

CUHP/Estt./2010/Vol.II/968-82 dated 03.02.2016 by retaining lien at CUHP to the post of Professor, Social Work.

Prof. Arvind Agrawal has resigned from the post of Vice-Chancellor of Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari (Bihar) which was accepted by the Visitor of the University (i.e. H.E. The President of India) and relieved of the responsibility of the Vice-Chancellor, MGCUB, Motihari on 15.11.2018 (AN) vide office order No. 1-1/MGCUB/Estt./2016/3117 dated 15.11.2018. Accordingly, Prof. Arvind Agrawal joined Central University of Himachal Pradesh on 26.11.2018 (AN) after availing joining time.

The Executive Council noted the matter regarding repatriation of Prof. Arvind Agrawal, Professor, Department of Social Work and approved the same.

ITEM NO. 35.4(T) To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding submission of Report on Performance Evaluation Parameter, Output Targets and Programme of Work

The Vice-Chancellor apprised the members of the Executive Council that a Tri-Partite MoU among the Ministry of HRD, University Grants Commission and Central University for the financial year 2018-19 has been executed with the approval the Executive Council in its 33<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2018. A six monthly report on the performance evaluation parameters, output targets in terms of details of programmes of work and qualitative improvement has to be forwarded to UGC/MHRD. The report of Performance Evaluation Parameter, Output Targets and Programme of Work along with Academic Progress (academic session 2017-18) was circulated to the members for perusal.

The Executive Council approved the report.

ITEM NO. 35.5(T) To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding withdrawal of offer letter for the post of Finance Officer.

The Executive Council vide item No. 34.4 in its 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 17.07.2018 has approved the recommendations of the Selection Committee for the post of Finance Officer. In this context, it is apprised that on scrutiny of the documents by the office it has been observed that the incumbent selected for the post lacks the requisite experience as prescribed in the CRR. Therefore, it is proposed that to withdraw the approval of the Executive Council for the post of Finance Officer.

The Executive Council deliberated on the issue and approved/directed not to issue the offer of appointment.

ITEM NO. 35.6(T) To place the matter before Executive Council to nominate the member in place of Prof. Ravi Kumar in a Committee constituted by the Executive Council in its 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 17.07.2018.

The Vice-Chancellor intimated the Executive Council that as per decision of the Executive Council vide item No. 34.7(T), a Committee was constituted to suggest the action to be taken by the University on the issues. In reference to this, one of the members, Prof. Ravi Kumar has conveyed to me (the Chairman) his inability to be the member of the Committee due to his pre-engagement.

The Executive Council considered the request of Prof. Ravi Kumar and approved Shri A.K. Prakash, Finance Officer, Pondicherry University to be member of the Committee in place of Prof. Ravi Kumar.

ITEM NO. 35.7(T) To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding providing protection under Whistle Blower Act.

The Vice-Chancellor informed the Executive Council regarding providing of protection under Whistle Blower Act to Brig. J.C. Rangra, YSM (Retd.), Registrar of the University. He further informed that the application initially made in the year 2016 has already been submitted to the Secretary, Joint Secretary and Deputy Secretary at Ministry of HRD and to the Chairman, Secretary and Joint Secretary(CU) at University Grants Commission.

The Executive Council noted and approved the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

ITEM NO. 35.8(T) To place before the Executive Council the matter to start hobby classes in Jyotish Shastr.

The Vice-Chancellor apprised the Executive Council that Hobby Classes in Jyotish Shastr shall be started in the University. The modalities to the start the classes could be worked out and placed before the Executive Council through appropriate bodies.

The Executive Council noted the proposal and in-principle approved to start the hobby classes in Jyotish Shastr.

**The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.**

*Sd/-*

**Brig. Jagdish Chand Rangra, YSM (Retd.)**

Ex-Officio Secretary &  
Registrar, CUHP, Dharamshala

**Confirmed**

*Sd/-*

**Prof. (Dr.) Kuldip Chand Agnihotri**

Chairman &  
Vice-Chancellor, CUHP, Dharamshala