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1. The 20th Academic Council Meeting of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala was held on 10th November 2017 at 10.00 AM at Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Camp Office, Dharamshala, District - Kangra, Himachal Pradesh - 176 215. The following members were present:

Sr. No.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MEMBERS	
1.	Prof. Kuldip Chand Agnihotri Vice Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh	CHAIRMAN
2.	Prof. H. R. Sharma Pro Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Himachal Pradesh	MEMBER
3.	Dr. Jai Dev CSK HPKV, Palampur, District Kangra, H.P.	MEMBER
4.	Dr. Ganesh Dutt Bhardwaj Ex-Chairman, Himachal Sanskrit Academy C/o Shiv Medical Store, VPO Kuthera, Teh. Ghumarwin, Dist. Bilaspur, H.P. -174026	MEMBER
5.	Prof. I. V. Malhan Dean, School of Mathematics, computers & Information Sciences	MEMBER
6.	Dr. Bhag Chand Chauhan Dean, School of Physical & Material Sciences, CUHP	MEMBER
7.	Dr. Roshan Lal Sharma Dean, School of Humanities & Languages, CUHP	MEMBER
8.	Dr. Manoj Kumar Saxena Dean, School of Education, CUHP	MEMBER
9.	Dr. Pradeep Kumar Dean, School of Journalism, Mass Communication & New Media, CUHP	MEMBER
10.	Dr. Deepak Pant Dean, School of Earth & Environmental Sciences, CUHP	MEMBER
11.	Dr. Sanjeev Gupta Dean, School of Business & Management Studies, CUHP	MEMBER

12.	Dr. Bhagwan Singh Head, Department of Marketing & Supply Chain Management, CUHP	MEMBER
13.	Dr. O.S.K.S. Sastri Associate Professor, Department of Physics & Astronomical Science	MEMBER
14.	Dr. Mushtaq Ahmad Associate Professor , Department of Environmental Science, CUHP	MEMBER
15.	Dr. Vikram Singh Assistant Professor, Centre for Computational Biology & Bioinformatics, CUHP.	MEMBER
16.	Registrar Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala	Ex-Officio Secretary

2. 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.	Prof. N. Sathyamurthy Director (IISER), Mohali, Chandigarh	MEMBER
2.	Prof. Rajnish Arora Former Vice-Chancellor, PTU, Jalandhar	MEMBER
3.	Prof. Girish Chandra Tripathi Vice-Chancellor, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi	MEMBER
4.	Shri K.G. Suresh Director General, Indian Institute of Mass Communication JNU New Campus, New Delhi	MEMBER
5.	Prof. Sukesh Chander Sharma Department of Biochemistry, Panjab University, Chandigarh	MEMBER
6.	Dr. Deepti Dharmani Department of English, Ch. Devi Lal University, Barnala Road, Sirsa	MEMBER
7.	Prof. A.D.N. Bajpai Vice-Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla	MEMBER
8.	Prof. Inderjeet Singh Department of Economics, Punjabi University, Patiala-147002	MEMBER
9.	Prof. A. K. Mahajan Dean, School of Life Sciences, CUHP	MEMBER
10.	Mr. Keshav Singh Rawat Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Science & Informatics CUHP.	MEMBER

3. The Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the members and thanked them for being available for attending this meeting.

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4. Thereafter, the Vice-Chancellor invited Brig. Jagdish Chand Rangra, YSM (Retd.), Registrar-cum-Secretary to take up the agenda items.

THEREAFTER, THE AGENDA WAS TAKEN UP AS UNDER:

ITEM NO: 20.1(i) Confirmation of the Minutes of the 18th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 09th March, 2017.

The Minutes of the 18th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 9th March 2017 placed at ANNEXURE - 20.1(i) were confirmed.

ITEM NO: 20.1(ii) Confirmation of the Minutes of 19th (Special) Meeting of the Academic Council held on 25th May 2017 placed at ANNEXURE-20(ii).

The Minutes of the 19th (Special) Meeting of the Academic Council held on 25th May 2017 placed at ANNEXURE-20(ii) were confirmed.

ITEM NO: 20.2(i) To place before the Academic Council the report about the action taken on the decisions of its 18th Meeting held on 9th March, 2017.

The Academic Council noted the action taken on the decisions of 18th Meeting of the Academic Council dated 9th March, 2017 placed at ANNEXURE - 20.2(I).

ITEM NO: 20.2(ii) To place before the Academic Council the report about the action taken on the decisions of its 19th (Special) Meeting held on 25th May, 2017.

The Academic Council noted the action taken on the decisions of 19th (Special) Meeting of the Academic Council dated 25th May, 2017 placed at ANNEXURE - 20.2(II).

ITEM(S) FOR REPORTING AND RATIFICATION:

ITEM NO: 20.3

To place before the Academic Council the decisions taken by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor to start new P.G. and Diploma Courses from the Academic Session 2017-2018.

The session for the Post Graduate, Diploma and Certificate Courses in the Central University of Himachal Pradesh was started from August / September. To start the new programmes the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has accorded the approval for the following new courses: -

1. Post-Graduation in Chemistry
2. Post-Graduation in Zoology
3. Post-Graduation in Botany
4. Post-Graduation in History
5. Diploma Course in Tribal Studies
6. Diploma Course in Ambedkar Studies
7. Diploma Course in Deen Dayal Upadhyay Studies
8. Diploma Course in Jammu & Kashmir Studies

The admissions to these courses have been made and sessions have been started.

The Agenda was discussed in the Academic Council. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor also apprised the members that with these admissions, the above Departments have been activated.

The Academic Council noted and ratified the decision taken by the Vice-Chancellor.



ITEM NO: 20.4

To place before the Academic Council the decisions taken by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor to start P.G. Programmes at Dehra, District Kangra, H.P.



The University vide Tender Document No. 01/2017/CUHP/NIT/2332 dated 12.07.2017 invited bids from the owners of the buildings at Dharamshala and Dehra to run its academic activities.

The Committee visited the sites offered by the bidders to look out the feasibility for running the classes and submitted its recommendations. None of the buildings at and around Dharamshala were found suitable. Hence, the Committee recommended the building at Dehra to start the academic activities.

On the recommendations of the Committee Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved to start two courses i.e. PG in Botany and Zoology at Dehra in the newly hired building.

Further, these courses have been started under Department of Plant Sciences and Department of Animal Sciences under School of Life Sciences which was Notified vide Notification No. 3-4/CUHP/GA/2010/2485-95 dated 24.08.2017 after repealing the Department of Statistic and Actuarial Science under the School of Mathematics, Computer & Information Science and Department of Geology under School of Earth & Environmental Sciences respectively **(ANNEXURE-20.4)**.

The Academic Council noted and ratified the decision taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

ITEM NO: 20.5

To place before the Academic Council the matter to start Academic Programmes at Dharamshala and Dehra.

Keeping in view, the acute shortage of infrastructure faced by the University to run its academic and administrative activities, the University had approached State Administration for providing suitable Govt. buildings to cater for it whilst also exploring other avenues to find private buildings. The University could not find the suitable private buildings in the vicinity of Dharamshala. The State Govt. through Director of Higher Education vide letter F.No. EDN-H(9)2-3/07-Central University (BLDG.) dated 20th July, 2017 handed over a multi storeyed newly constructed



building of GCTE, Dharamshala to this University. Accordingly, the University has taken over the building so allotted by the State Govt. and the following Departments have been shifted from TAB, Shahpur to Dhauladhar Campus Dharamshala and the courses thereunder have been started:

1. School of Humanities & Languages

- a. Department of English & European Languages
- b. Department of Hindi & Indian Languages
- c. Department of Sanskrit & Pali

2. School of Journalism, Mass Communication & new Media

- a. Department of Journalism & Creative Writing
- b. Department of Mass Communication & Electronic Media

3. School of Education

- a. Department of Educational Studies

4. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Kaushal Kendra

- a. B.Voc. Marketing & Finance
- b. B.Voc. Mass Communication

5. School of Social Sciences

- a. Department of Social Work
- b. Department of Sociology & Social Anthropology

The Academic Council noted and ratified the decision taken by the Vice-Chancellor.


Item No. 20.6

To place before the Academic Council the matter regarding grant of financial assistance to the faculty members during the period from January 2017 to October 2017.

As per provisions contained under ordinance No. 48 of the university, the financial assistance has been granted to the following faculty members as per details given below to attend National/International conferences/ workshops:-

Sr. No.	Name of the official	Details / Venue of Conference/ Workshop	Period
1.	Dr. Anu G.S., Assistant Professor, Department of Teachers Education.	Mar Theophuilus Training College, Thiruvananthapuram	01.03.2017 to 03.03.2017

2.	Dr. Hem Raj, Assistant Professor, Department of English	MELUS-MELOW, Chandigarh	03.03.2017 to 05.03.2017
3.	Dr. Hem Raj, Assistant Professor, Department of English	Sh. Mata Vaishno Devi University, Kakryal, Katra, Jammu	10.03.2017 to 11.03.2017
4.	Dr. Khem Raj Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of English	MELUS-MELOW, Chandigarh	03.03.2017 to 05.03.2017
5.	Dr. Khem Raj Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of English	Sh. Mata Vaishno Devi University, Kakryal, Katra, Jammu	10.03.2017 to 11.03.2017
6.	Dr. Dimple Patel, Assistant Professor, Department of Library and Information Sciences	National Conference on Conceptualizing the Social Responsibilities of Libraries at BHU, Varanasi	19.03.2017 to 20.03.2017
7.	Dr. M. Rabindranath, Associate Professor, Department of Journalism and Creative Writing	Training Programme at National Film Archives of India (NFAI) and Film & Television Institute of India (FTII), Pune.	08.05.2017 to 03.06.2017
8.	Dr. Sanjeev Gupta, Dean, School of Business and Management Studies	International Conference at Faculty of Economics, Sapienza University, Rome (Italy)	24.05.2017 to 26.05.2017
9.	Dr. Ayan Chatterjee, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics and Astronomical Sciences	Workshop on IAGRG at IIT, Guwahati	18.05.2017 to 20.05.2017
10.	Sh. Debasis Sahoo, Assistant Professor, Department of TTM	International Conference IITM, Goa	02.11.2017 to 07.11.2017
11.	Dr. Khem Raj Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of English	International Conference at Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar	09.11.2017 to 10.11.2017
12.	Ms. Shaweta Nanda, Assistant Professor, Department of English	International Conference at South Asian Literary Association, New York	08.01.2018 to 09.01.2018

 **The Academic Council noted and ratified the decision taken by the Vice-Chancellor.**



Item No. 20.7

To place before the Academic Council the matter regarding extension given to the faculty members appointed on contract basis in Deen Dayal Upadhyay Kaushal Kendra.

The University has appointed three Assistant Professors in various disciplines as per following details on contract basis in DDU Kaushal Kendra:

1. Ms. Richa Rana, Assistant Professor in Finance
2. Ms. Monika, Assistant Professor in New Media
3. Dr. Jai Prakash Singh, Assistant Professor in Journalism

The UGC vide letter D.O. No. 3-17/2015 (KAUSHAL) dated 14th August, 2015 has categorically mentioned that the recruitment to the sanctioned teaching positions shall be made by the University strictly as per Clause 13 of the UGC Regulations, 2010, which provides that *such appointments should not be made initially for more than one academic session, and the performance of any such entrant teacher should be reviewed for academic performance before reappointing her/him on contract basis for another session.*

The University had appointed the above teachers on contract basis initially for a period up to 30.09.2017 (till the currency of the DDU KAUSHAL KENDRA). The UGC extended the currency of Kendra up to 31.03.2019 vide their letter No. F.4-10/2014(KAUSHAL) dated 11th July, 2017.

Therefore, keeping in view the UGC Regulations, 2010 and extension conveyed by the UGC, the period of contract of these three Assistant Professors have been extended up to 31.07.2018 (for one academic session).

The Academic Council noted and ratified the decision taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

ITEM(S) FOR CONSIDERATION AND DECISION

Item No. 20.8

To place before the Academic Council the Annual Report 2016-17 of the University for the period from 1st April, 2016 to 31st March, 2017.

The Central Universities Act 2009 provides that the "Annual Report of the University shall be prepared under the direction of the Executive Council, which

shall include, among other matters, the steps taken by the University towards the fulfilment of its objects and shall be submitted to the Court on or before such dates as may be prescribed by the Statutes and the Court shall consider the report in its annual meeting. The Court shall submit the annual report to the Visitor along with its comments, if any and a copy of the Annual Report, as prepared shall also be submitted to the Central Government, which shall, as soon as may be, cause the same to be laid before both the Houses of Parliament.

The Academic Council appreciated the work done by Hindi Officer, Sh. Sanjay Kumar Singh in preparation of the Annual Report.

The Academic Council deliberated on Annual Report for the period 1st April, 2016 to 31st March, 2017, approved as per ANNEXURE - 20.8 and further recommended to the Executive Council for its approval.



Item No. 20.9

To place before the Academic Council the matter regarding approval of Memorandums of Understanding (MoU)

The UGC vide D.O. No. F.1-100/2016(MOOCs/e-content) dated 1st August, 2017 nominated CUHP as host institute for offering 7 MOOCs courses prepared by INFLIBNET Centre, posted on the SWAYAM portal and directed the University to enter into an tripartite agreement with UGC/MHRD, CUHP and INFLIBNET.

The Library of Tibetan Works and Archives, a centre for Tibetan Studies situated at Gangchen Kyishong, Dharamshala, District Kangra, H.P. had forwarded a proposal regarding Memorandum of Understanding for establishment of Academic and Exchange Program to promote, develop and bring about educational-scientific cooperation, in matters of reciprocal interest of the signatory parties.

The provision regarding procedure for co-operation and collaboration with other universities, institutions and other agencies including learned bodies or associations is contained under Clause 5 of Ordinance 27 of the University, which provide that any proposal received and/or initiated by the University to enter into an MOU with other institutions shall be examined by a Committee. The Committee shall examine the proposal taking into consideration all aspects involving rights and obligations of the University and will make recommendation s to whether it is in the interest of the University to enter into the MOU.



Accordingly, the University, constituted a committee vide Notification No. 1-8/CUHP/Acad/2015/2144-52 dated 07.08.2017 to examine and deliberate on all clauses of the Memorandum of Agreement forwarded by the UGC (for MOOCs) and the Library of Tibetan Works and Archives taking into consideration all aspects involving rights and the obligations of the University. The recommendations of the Committee alongwith copy of Draft MoU(s) are annexed as **ANNEXURE - 20.9-A & 20.9-B**. respectively.

The Academic Council deliberated on all issues relating to the draft of MoU(s) (i) MOOC(SWAYAM: Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds) & (ii) The Library of Tibetan Works and Archives and further recommended to the Executive Council for its approval.

Item No. 20.10

To place before the Academic Council the Minutes of various School Boards for consideration and approval.

Clause 15(2) of the Statute provides that every school shall have a School Board and the members of the first School Board shall be nominated by the Executive Council for a period of three years. Ordinance 22 : Constitution, Powers and Functions of the School Board provides that, "*The Board shall hold at least two ordinary meetings in an Academic year, one in each semester*". The minutes of the following School Boards received and are placed below for the consideration and approval of the Academic Council:

1. Minutes of the 3rd School Board Meeting of School of Tourism, Travel and Hospitality Management held on 09.06.2017 placed at **ANNEXURE - 20.10(i)**.
2. Minutes of the 3rd School Board Meeting of School of Social Sciences held on 01.09.2017 placed at **ANNEXURE - 20.10(ii)**.
3. Minutes of the 4th School Board Meeting of School of Physical and Material Sciences held on 23RD May, 2017 placed at **ANNEXURE - 20.10(iii)**.



The Minutes of the School Board(s) of the above mentioned Schools are approved by the Academic Council and further recommended to the Executive Council for its approval.

Item No. 20.11 To place before the Academic Council the recommendations of Advisory Committee of Deen Dayal Upadhyay Kaushal Kendra.

The meeting of the 2nd Advisory Committee of DDU Kaushal Kendra held by Circulation is placed at **ANNEXURE-20.11** before the Academic Council for approval.

The Minutes of the Advisory Committee of Deen Dayal Upadhyay Kaushal Kendra are approved by the Academic Council and further recommended to the Executive Council for its approval.

Item No. 20.1(T) To place before the Academic Council the matter regarding nomination of 20 students to Students' Council on the merit of studies, sports and extra-curricular activities as per Ordinance No. 45(16) "CUHP Rules for the Formation of Students' Council" (Framed in terms of Statute 36 of the Central University Act 2009 and approved by the Executive Council and Academic Council meeting held on 15th November, 2013).

Ordinance 45 "CUHP Rules for the Formation of the Students' Council" Clause 16 (a) provides that "Twenty students shall be nominated to the Students' Council by the Academic Council on the basis of merit of Studies, sports and extra-curricular activities.

Accordingly, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has nominated 20 students to the Students' Council for the academic session 2017-18. List of students is as at **Annexure-20.1(T)**

The matter regarding nomination of 20 students in the Students' Council has been approved by the Academic Council and further recommended to the Executive Council for its approval.



ITEM NO: 20.2(T) To place before the Academic Council the matter regarding recruitment of various Teaching positions in the university.

The University vide its Employment Notice No.: 002/2017 dated 27th September 2017 advertised various Teaching Positions with last date of receipt of applications on 31.10.2017. Due delay in preparation of online forms, the mode of application has been changed to "Off Line/By-Post" and last date has been extended/modified till 14.11.2017. The university has issued one corrigendum to the said advertisement. The copy of the advertisement and corrigendum's is placed at **Annexure-20.2.1(T)** The University has kept two posts earmarked for PsWD in abeyance till clarification from UGC/MHRD/Commission for PsWD.


It is pertinent to mention here that the university has added one clause in the general instructions to the candidates in the advertisement that "The candidate(s) applying for the post of Professor and Associate Professor must possess experience of guiding candidates at Doctoral level of whom minimum one should have been awarded Ph.D. degree."

The above clause has been added on the recommendations of the committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor for bringing transparency and simplicity in the recruitment process of teachers. The said recommendations of the Committee are placed at **Annexure -20.2.2(T)**

The issue was deliberated in the Academic Council. The Academic Council noted that the UGC Regulations, 2010 regarding Minimum Qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic staff in universities and colleges and measures for the maintenance of standards in higher education, 2010 are relevant. The University may fix higher criteria at the time of screening for the post of Associate Professor and Professor. The Academic Council also recommended that the time period for the acceptance of application in case of Associate Professor and Professor be extended upto 21st November, 2017.

The Academic Council noted and ratified the decision of the Vice-Chancellor and further recommended to Executive Council for its approval.

Item No. 20.3(T): To place before the Academic Council the matter regarding admissions in the M.Sc. (Botany) and M.Sc.(Zoology) Departments of the University.

 As of now, there is no proper system in University of online payment of admission fee by the candidates selected for different Programmes of Study. The selected candidates are required to deposit the admission fee in the bank account mentioned

