

**MINUTES OF THE 17<sup>th</sup> ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING OF KVASU  
CONVENED ON NOVEMBER 30<sup>th</sup> 2015 AT THE CONFERENCE HALL, CVAS,  
POOKODE, WAYANAD**

The following members were present:

1. Dr. B. Ashok, IAS, Vice Chancellor
2. Dr. Joseph Mathew, Registrar
3. Dr. K. Devada, Director of Academics and Research
4. Dr. Sisilamma George, Dean, CVAS, Mannuthy
5. Dr. K. Vijayakumar, Dean, CVAS Pookode
6. Dr. A. Jalaludeen, Special Officer, CASM, Thiruvazhamkunnu
7. Dr. Usha P.T.A, Professor, CVAS, Mannuthy
8. Dr. A. K. Beena, Special Officer, CDST, Pookode.
9. Dr. B. Sunil, Professor, CVAS, Mannuthy
10. Dr. G. T. Sathian, Professor, CVAS, Mannuthy
11. Dr. S. Sujith, Asst. Professor, CVAS, Pookode
12. Sri. Jose Emmanuel, Deputy Director, Dairy Development Department, Wayanad

**Special invitees:**

1. Dr. K. M. Syam Mohan, Finance Officer
2. Dr. V. Rammala, Coordinator of Examinations
3. Dr. K. P. Sreekumar, Prof.(RC), CVAS, Mannuthy
4. Dr. H. Subramanian, Special Officer
5. Dr. G. S. H. L. V. Prasad Rao, Consultant Professor

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed the members. At the outset he apprised the body on the sincere efforts taken by the Officers and faculty members on competing for the Chancellor's Award along with other Universities. He also added that Our University had secured a remarkable position in the state with 256.7 marks/500. The Council congratulated and placed on record appreciation to all those who worked behind this challenging venture and authorized the Registrar to record the appreciation of the Academic Council to all those who were responsible for this achievement with individual letters of appreciation.

The minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting of KVASU held on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015 was approved with the following proposition regarding OA-5, wherein the Chairman sought the consent of the body, for requesting the Vice Chancellor of Gandhigram Rural Institute to proceed with the review of the Ph.D. thesis of Dr. Sudheer Babu by a committee formed by Gandhigram Rural Institute only.



**Decisions taken in the Academic Council meeting**

**Reporting:** Based on the report of status of courses for the academic year 2015-16, it was advised to re-advertise the PG diploma courses and other courses running on a distance mode, which has less number of admissions, in newspapers as classifieds. Also decided to re-advertise Ph.D Biosciences in classifieds pages in all dailies and admit candidates on rolling basis and also to allow applying male candidates to be admitted to the course Diploma in Integrated Farming from this academic year onwards.

**Resolution 17.4:**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the modifications in Academic Regulations for Master's degree comprehensive examinations (M.V.Sc & Ph.D)

**Decision:** Approved with the following changes in Clause 3, 4 & 5

*Clause no. 3.* Duration of examination not to exceed 4 hours. The Controller of Examinations will decide the exact time after comparing with the question papers. The modification will come into force w.e.f. 30/12/2015.

*Clause no.4.* Upon receipt of Form No. 23a from HoD, within 10 working days after Comprehensive Examination, the Dean in consultation with HoUD shall furnish a panel of External Examiners not exceeding 5 numbers and the Controller of Examinations shall notify the names of the External Examiners with date and time for the conduct of viva-voce for Ph. D programme with fortnight upon receipt of 23a.

*Clause no.5.* Form 23b should be forwarded to the Director of Academics & Research within a week after Viva Voce examination for the publication of result.

**Resolution 17.5**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the additional regulations applicable for in-service (KVASU) candidates undergoing Ph.D. in the University on internal deputation

**Decision:** Approved with the following modifications in Clause 2, 5 and 7

*Clause : 2.* The qualifying examination will be completed in semester III and in all cases who does not qualify by the last day of semester III, such registrations will stand terminated automatically. Grade will be 'unsatisfactory' and registration shall be terminated immediately in such cases.

*Clause : 3.* To include Major Advisor as special invite in the subcommittee

*Clause : 5.* Those who register for in-service Ph.D. and fail to succeed in qualifying exam by last working day of semester III will revert automatically to University duties as 'failed' in the programme to the University/ Institution and their salary disbursed during the period of



deputation of course work shall be recovered from them treating the period as leave without pay. They will be treated ineligible for further study leave during University service.

*Clause : 7.* University Heads of the Department will recommend only Ph.D proposals capable of being effectively supervised in the departments.

**Resolution 17.6:**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal to suspend the Ph.D programme in the Department of LPM, College of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Mannuthy and prospective registration for the next three years, and to resume the same only after the department displays adequate strength in supervising a minimum number of 10 M.V.Sc projects in a proper manner

**Decision:** The Academic Council reviewed the matter in detail. A subcommittee of Academic Council is hereby constituted with the Director (Academics and Research) as Chairman and Dean (Faculty of Veterinary & Animal Sciences), Controller of Examinations and Dr. A. Jalaludeen, Special Officer, CASM, Thiruvazhamkunnu as members to review the progress Ph. D work of all students in that department within three months, and report to the next Academic Council Meeting before a final decision in the matter.

**Resolution 17.7:**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the five Ph. D synopses of students from CVAS, Mannuthy and two Ph.D synopses of students from CVAS, Pookode.

**Decision:** Approved subject to rectification of the budget provision and other errors pointed out by the members of the Academic Council.

**Resolution 17.8:**

Whether the Academic Council will approve the changes in the programme of Ph.D work entitled " Porcine derived scaffold assisted full thickness skin wound healing in rabbit model" Şuvaneeth.P (13-DVM -004) as recommended by the Advisory Committee and the Project Coordination Committee (Biotechnology).

**Decision:** Directed to obtain clarification from the Major Advisor and Dr. T. V. Anilkumar, Member, Advisory Committee on the justification of deleting anti-antibody cytokeratin-14 as proposed earlier and presently incorporating cytokeratin only in the Ph.D work of the student and authorized approval to be given by the Director (Academics and Research) on behalf of the Academic Council pending ratification in the next meeting.



**Resolution 17.9:**

Whether the Academic Council would approve Dr. K.A Mercy, Professor & Head, Dept of Statistics, CVAS, Mannuthy to be included as additional member in the Ph.D Advisory Committee of Dr. S. Harikumar, (14-DVM-04).

**Decision: Approved**

**Resolution 17.10:**

Whether the Academic Council approves the academic regulations for B. Tech (Food technology) programme in KVASU

**Decision :** A subcommittee of the Academic council is constituted with the following members 1) Director (Academics and Research) 2) Dean, Veterinary Faculty, 3) Dean, Dairy Faculty, 4) Finance Officer and 5) Dr. H. Subramanian, Special Officer (M&E Cell). The above committee will review the entire regulation and submit report in the next Academic council meeting.

Also decided to amend clause 17.4 in the KVASU, Academic Handbook (page 37), as "Tuition fees for B.Tech courses shall be fixed as per the decision of the Board of Management / Management Council time to time as prescribed by the Statutes".

**Resolution 17.11:**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the commencement of the Course-Diploma in Feed Technology in the SANFT, CVAS, Mannuthy

**Decision:** Decided to refine the proposal with reference to eligibility of candidate, selection procedure and examination and submit in the next Academic Council.

**Resolution 17.12:**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the commencement of the Certificate Course on Dairy Cattle Production and Management at Base Farm, Kolahalamedu

**Decision:** Provisionally approved subject to modification of DCM.1 (3+3=6) by reducing the credits to 2+2=4 and incorporate another course-Climate and Dairy farming the 1+1=2. Also suggested to add topic "Value addition" in one of the courses. The Course Director was advised to revise the budget and present in the next Academic Council Meeting.



**Resolution 17.13**

Whether the Academic Council approves the recommendations proposed to the existing regulations of Technology Enabled Distance Education Programme in Post graduate certificate course in Veterinary Homoeopathy

**Decision:** Approved, Director (Academics and Research) was entrusted to peruse and approve the contents of the courses.

**Resolution 17.14**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal of reservation of seats to the children of labourers of University farms to the various courses of the University

**Decision:** Approved. Decided to give preference to children of permanent labourers. Children of casual labourers shall be considered only in the absence of children of permanent labourers. The seats allotted under this quota shall be supernumerary.

**Resolution 17.15**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal for enhancing the internship of Allowance of B.Tech. (Dairy Sc. & Tech.) students of Faculty of Dairy Science from Rs. 5,000/- to Rs. 10,000/- per month .

**Decision:** Decided to enhance, only subject to availing of plan funds for the purpose during next financial year as approved by the State plan budget 2016-17.

**Resolution 17.16**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the decisions of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor made under regulations for removal of difficulties in deserving cases.

**Decision:** Approved

**Outside Agenda 1**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the amendments made to Examinations and evaluation of course work in the Academic Regulations for M. V. Sc. and Ph. D programmes of KVASU

**Decision:** The proposed clause 24 was refined as follows,

To evaluate the students of Masters and Doctoral programmes, theory and practical examination shall be conducted separately for mid-term and final exam. Marks for Mid-term shall be 40 and for final 60 . For the Mid term examination the Course Teacher shall set the question paper with approval of the HouD/HoD. For the final examination the question paper



shall be set by External Examiners and arranged by the Controller of Examinations. The time table for Final examination will be issued by the Controller of Examinations to the respective Deans, one week prior to the Final exam.

For the time being, it was decided to amend the regulation for Ph. D only. Amendments to M.V.Sc shall be considered later.

### **Outside Agenda 2**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the amendments suggested for B.Sc. (Poultry Production and Business Management) under Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University with regard to re-examination.

**Decision:** Approved with the following modification in clause 37.2.4:

To register for the IV semester, he/she should have cleared all courses upto and inclusive of I and II semester.

### **Outside Agenda 3**

Whether the Academic Council would approve

1. The admission of eligible Diploma holders in Dairy Science either directly to the first semester or through lateral entry to the third semester of B.Tech ( Dairy Sci. & Tech.) programme
2. The eligibility of Diploma holders in Dairy Science-ie., should have successfully completed the programme in the first chance with an OGPA of 6.0/10.0 and should have qualified the State Common entrance Examination conducted by the Commissioner of Entrance Examinations
3. Reservation of one seat in B.Tech (Dairy Science and Tech) by creating supernumerary seat.

**Decision:** Approved

Decided to reserve two seats for Diploma holders in Dairy Science in B.Tech (Dairy Science & Tech) programme by creating two supernumerary seats. Lateral entry to semester III will be limited to those Diploma holders in Dairy Science who have secured an OGPA of seven (7.0/10.0) and above. Those with of an OGPA below 7.0/10.0 will be admitted directly only to semester I of B.Tech (Dairy Science & Tech) programme.



**Outside Agenda 4**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the amendments suggested for B.Sc. (Poultry Production and Business Management) under Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University with regard to scrutiny of answer sheets and rectification of errors.

**Decision:** Approved with following modification. A certified photocopy of the answer book can be given to the student on request after remitting the expenses of photocopying in a week of application.

**Outside Agenda 5**

Whether the Academic Council would recognize the external member Dr. Chithra Valsan, Additional Professor of Microbiology, JMMCRI in the advisory committee of MVSc student Swathi Hareendran in VPH Department.

**Decision:** Approved. Decided to obtain an undertaking/certificate from co-guides or additional members from outside the universities admitted to advisory committees of PG students, by the advisor in future stating that, they have no personal relation or conflict of interest with the student concerned.

**Outside Agenda 6**

Whether the Academic Council approves the modified regulations for Ph.D programme in Climate change and Animal agriculture.

**Decision:** Constituted a subcommittee of the Academic Council with the Faculty Dean, Controller of Examinations, Prof.(RC) and Dr. G. S. H. L. V. Prasad Rao, Consultant Professor as members to review the regulations and present in the next meeting.

**Outside Agenda 7**

Whether the Academic Council would approve the commencement of Post graduate certificate in Community Based Disaster Management (PGC-CBDM)

**Decision:** Approved in principle. To be re-submitted in the next meeting of the Academic Council after reviewing the fees and budget. Also suggested to explore the partnership of National Disaster Management Agency (NDMA) in offering the course. It was also advised to stick on to a uniform pattern of codes (catalogue number) to the courses of all programmes offered by the University.

The meeting came to a close by 1.30 PM. The Director (Academics & Research) proposed the vote of thanks.

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Vice Chancellor

07-12-15