VEER SURENDRA SAI UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, BURLA

Minutes of the 18th (Special) meeting of the Board of Management held on 06.01.2016 at 11.00 AM in the Conference Hall of the Hotel 'The New Marrion', In front of Ram Mandir, Bhubaneswar.

The following members were present:

 Prof. E. Saibaba Reddy, Vice Chancellor, VSSUT, Burla Chairman

 Prof. R.P. Dahiya, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, DCR University of Sc. & Technology, Murthal (SONEPAT), HARYANA.

Member

3. Prof. Prasanta Kumar Mishra, Professor Emeritus, School of Mechanical Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, Bhubaneswar, Member

4. Shri Sanjaya Burman, Director, Centre for Artificial Intelligence & Robotics(CAIR), DRDO, Ministry of Defence, Bengaluru. Member

5. Prof. B.B. Pati, Professor in Elect. Engg., Deptt. of Elect. Engg., VSSUT, Burla.

Member

6. Prof. P.K. Hota, Professor in Elect. Engg., Deptt. of Elect. Engg., VSSUT, Burla.

Member

7. Prof. P.K. Pradhan, Professor in Civil Engg., Deptt. of Civil Engg., VSSUT, Burla

Member

8. Prof. P.K. Kar, Professor in Chemistry, Deptt. of Chemistry, VSSUT, Burla.

Member

9. Prof. P.K. Pradhan, Registrar, VSSUT,Burla :Member-Convenor

The following members could not attend the meeting due to other important engagements.

 Sj. Puspendra Singhdeo, Hon'ble Minister of U & HD, Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

Member

2. Sj. Padmanav Behera, M.L.A., Odisha

Member

Shri L.N. Gupta, I.A.S,
 Principal Secretary to Government
 Skill Development & Technical Education
 Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar

Member



4. Additional Secretary, Finance Department, Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar.

Member

 Director, Technical Education & Training, Odisha Cuttack. Member

6. Prof. S.S. Pattnaik, Vice Chancellor, BPUT, Odisha, Rourkela. Member

7. Prof. Vadapalli Chandrasekhar, Director, NISER, Institute of Physics Campus, Sachivalaya Marg, PO: Sainik School, Bhubaneswar -05 Member

8. Er. Nalini Kanta Pradhan, EIC-Cum-Secretary, Works Department, Govt. of Odisha, Secretariat, Bhubaneswar.

Member

Shri Prasanta Kumar Das, OAS (SAG) Addl. Secretary to Govt., Skill Development & Technical Education Department, Govt. of Odisha, Bhubaneswar & Shri Kailas Chandra Swain, Comptroller of Finance, VSSUT, Burla attended the meeting as Special Invitees.

At the outset the Chairman-Vice-Chancellor, Prof. E. Saibaba Reddy welcomed members present in 18th meeting of the Board of Management.

Then the Agenda items were discussed and resolved as follows:

BoM: 18-01: Report on new/outgoing Board Members:

In accordance with Section 19(2)(b)(iii) of VSSUT Act 2008, Er. Nalini Kanta Pradhan, EIC-Cum-Secretary, Works Department, Govt. of Odisha, Secretariat, Bhubaneswar-01 & Shri Sanjaya Burman, Director, Centre for Artificial Intelligence & Robotics (CAIR), DRDO, Ministry of Defence, Bengaluru-01are nominated by the Hon'ble Chancellor as members of the Board of Management from amongst the Eminent Alumni of the University for a period of 3 years w.e.f 26.12.2015 in place of Er. Sudhakar Patri, Ex-Chief Engr & Er. Bijan Kumar Behera, Chief Engr., NH, Odisha on completion of their term.

In accordance with Section 19(2)(b)(v)of VSSUT Act 2008, Prof. Prasanta Kumar Mishra, Professor Emeritus, School of Mechanical Sciences, Indian Institute of Technology, Bhubaneswar is nominated by the Chairman, AICTE as member of the Board of Management for a period of 3 years w.e.f 17.12.2015 in place of Prof. Biswajit Satapathy, Professor in MBA, Sambalpur University, Sambalpur, Odisha on completion of his term.

This is for information of the Board for welcoming the new members & conveying appreciation to the out-going members.

Resolution: The Board welcomed the new members Prof. Prasanta Kumar Mishra, Er. Nalini Kanta Pradhan & Shri Sanjaya Burman and conveyed the appreciation to the out-going members namely, Prof. Biswajit Satapathy, Sudhakar Patri & Er. Bijan Kumar Behera for rendering their valuable contribution towards development of this University.

BoM: 18-02: To confirm the minutes of the 17th meeting of the Board of Management held on 19.11.2015 (*Annexure – I: pages from:* 04 to 13).

Resolution: Confirmed.

BoM: 18-03: To report action taken on the minutes of the 17th meeting of the Board of Management held on 19.11.2015 (*Annexure – II*: pages from: 14 to 22).

Resolution: Noted with the observations on the following items:

BoM: 17-8: To confer Temporary Status to NMR workers of VSSUT, Burla retrospectively from the date of issue of Finance Department Resolution i.e, 04.09.2012:

In pursuance to Government of Odisha, Finance Department Resolution No.FIN/BUD5-MISC-0009/2012/31715/F dated 04.09.2012 and approval of the Board of Management of VSSUT, Burla in its 15th Meeting held on 28.02.2015, 04 (four) Nos. NMR workers who were engaged prior to 12.04.1993 have been conferred Temporary Status w.e.f. 01.08.2015 vide office order No.VSSUT/Estt/3119 dated 11.08.2015. However, as per the Resolution of Finance Department the effective date is 04.09.2012 i.e, the date of issue of the Resolution. Therefore, approval may please be accorded to allow the NMR workers of VSSUT, Burla to confer Temporary Status retrospectively i.e, w.e.f 04.09.2012 with financial benefit.

RESOLUTION: In this connection Govt. in SD&TE Department be moved for clarification indicating the details status of the NMRs after obtaining legal advice.

ACTION TAKEN: Legal advice be obtained and Govt. be moved for final clarification and decision.

Observation: After a long deliberation the Board was of the opinion that the temporary status to the NMRs be given retrospectively i.e, from 04.09.2012 (date of issue of Finance Department Resolution) after obtaining the legal advice in line with the F.D Resolution under intimation to the Government in SD&TE & Finance Department, Odisha.

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BoM: 17-10: To report the Development and Prospective Planning of the University

A power point presentation in this regard shall be made by the Vice-Chancellor for appraisal of the Board. (Annexure –V: to be placed on the table)

RESOLUTION: A power point presentation was made by the Vice-Chancellor. It has been appreciated. The Vice-Chancellor is requested to prepare a Master Plan for the University and phase wise development with time scale.

ACTION TAKEN: It is proposed to invite expression of interest (EoI) for empanelment of Architects in the University to prepare Master Plan and to proceed with the future developmental programme.

Observation: Master plan shall be prepared at University level which shall be executed by an Architect from the approved panel of Architects selected by the University.

BoM: 17-13: To consider and approve for Write- Off of 12,256 Nos. of Old damaged books.

During March-April, 2015, Stock verification of the Central Library was conducted and as per the report total 12,256 Nos. of books were damaged till date. Based on the recommendation of the library Committee and University Purchase Committee (UPC), it is recommended to write-off the damaged books through dumping/shredding. **RESOLUTION:** Approved for shredding & disposing.

ACTION TAKEN: The Professor In-charge, Central Library has been asked to do the needful.

Observations: The shredding & disposing work should be done in presence of Library Committee.

BoM: 17-14: Any other items with the permission of the Chair.

Land matter:

The revenue department needs an authorization letter of the competent authority duly authorizing the requisitioning authority (Registrar, Veer Surendra Sai University of Technology, Burla) to file requisition for lease of government land for upgradation and expansion of the University.

Resolution: The Board advised the University to move to Govt. in Skill Development & Technical Education Department on land matter for seeking authorization to file requisition for lease of government land for upgradation and expansion of the University.

ACTION TAKEN:

Letter has already been sent to Govt. in SD&TE Department for obtaining a letter of authorization.

Observation : The Additional Secretary , SD & TE Deptt. Sri P.K. Das apprised the Board that the letter of authorization has been issued by the Department to the Vice-Chancellor.

Further, the University was advised to maintain a Land Register which needs to be audited from time to time.

BoM: 18-04: To consider and approve the recommendations of the 15th meeting of Academic Council held on 22.12.2015 (*Annexure – III*: pages from: 23 to 58).

Resolution: Approved.

BoM:18-05 Publication of result of selection withheld due to W.P(C) No.16456/2011 and W.P(C) No.3876/2014.

The University invited applications from eligible candidates through advertisement issued vide No.VSSUT/Estt/8539 dated 07.03.2011 for recruitment of Faculties & Officers of the University against vacant positions (Annexure-IV pages from: 59 to 60). Subsequently, because of sanction of additional 96 faculty positions in different disciplines, a revised advertisement was issued vide No. VSSUT/Estt/8823 dated 08.04.2011, where the number of vacant posts of Reader in Mechanical Engineering, Reader in Manufacturing Science & Engineering and Workshop Superintendent were 07, 06 and 01 respectively (Annexure-V pages from: 61 to 62). The applications received for the above posts were shortlisted by the Scrutiny Committee of the University to be called for interview. Shri Prasanta Kumar Pradhan, an applicant for the above posts was not shortlisted to be called for interview as he had not possessed the prescribed qualification as per the advertisement. Hence, being aggrieved he filed a case W.P.(C) No.16456 of 2011 before Hon'ble High Court, Odisha challenging the University for improper scrutinisation. The Hon'ble High Court Odisha issued an interim order on 21.06.2011, arising out of the above writ petition and Misc. case No. 9160 of 2011 directing the University to allow the petitioner to participate in the interview, but the result pursuant to the Advertisement for the posts of Reader in Mechanical Engineering, Reader in Manufacturing Science & Engineering & Workshop Superintendent shall not be published without leave of the Court (Annexure-VI pages from: 63 to 65). As per the direction of the Hon'ble High Court, the petitioner Sri Prasanta Kumar Pradhan was called for interview, but he did not appear the interview.

Further, the Hon'ble High Court Vide Misc.Case No. 11343 of 2012 filed by University against W.P.C. No.16456 of 2011 issued an interim order on 08.05.2013 modifying the earlier interim order of the petitioner directing that the University will be at liberty to fill up the post of Reader in Mechanical Engineering. But, one such post shall be kept vacant. Similarly, in case of Reader in Manufacturing Science & Engineering, the University may fill up other posts leaving one post vacant and shall not fill up the post with regard to Workshop Superintendent as there is only one post till the next date. Further, the interview shall be conducted for the petitioner only with in a period of 06 weeks from today. The petitioner shall be intimated at least 02 days earlier from the date fixed for interview in the address given the application form for communication (Annexure-VII pages from: 66 to 69).

Based on the directive of Hon'ble High Court the results of the interviews were published and the offer letters were issued accordingly. Also, the petitioner was called for appearing the interview for the posts of Reader in Mechanical Engineering, Reader in Manufacturing Science & Engineering and Workshop Superintendent. The Petitioner attended the said interviews and the result has not been published till date.

Keeping 01 post vacant in Reader in Mechanical Engineering, 01 post vacant in Reader in Manufacturing Science & Engineering, advertisement was made Vide No.VSSUT/Estt/4658 dated 10.12.2013 for filling the 06 vacant posts of Reader/Assistant Professor in Mechanical Engineering & 03 Posts Reader/Assistant Professor in Production Engineering (Manufacturing Science & Engineering is renamed as Production Engineering) (Annexure-VIII pages from: 70 to 71). The petitioner was not called for interview as he was not possessing the prescribed qualification for the above posts. Being aggrieved Sri Prasanta Kumar Pradhan once again filed a case vide W.P.(C) No. 3876 of 2014 before the Hon'ble High Court Odisha challenging the improper scrutinisation. The Hon'ble High Court Odisha directed the University authority on 26.02.2014 vide Misc.Case No.3675 of 2014 that the petitioner shall be allowed to participate in the interview scheduled to be held on 02.03.2014 for the post of Reader in Mechanical Engineering & Reader in Production Engineering. However, the post Reader in Mechanical Engineering & Reader in Production Engineering shall not be filled up by the University without leave of this Court. Accordingly, the petitioner was called for appearing the interview for the above posts. The petitioner attended the interview along with other eligible candidates, but the result has not been published as per the direction of the Hon'ble High Court (Annexure-IX pages from: 72 to 73).

Now Sri Prasanta Kumar Pradhan, the petitioner has withdrawn the case i.e. W.P.(C) No.16456 of 2011 & 3876 of 2014, as a result of which the writ petitions are dismissed by the Hon'ble High Court on dated 20.08.2015 and 21.08.2015 respectively (Annexure-X & XI pages from: 74 to 77 & 78 to 79).

This matter was placed before the 17th Meeting of Board of Management held on 19.11.2015 for approval of the results of the above interviews which were not published due to W.P.(C) No. 16456/2011 & W.P.(C) No. 3876/2014. However, as per the directive of the Board, legal advice was obtained from the University Counsel which is enclosed as **Annexure-XII & XIII** (pages from: 80 to 82 & to 83 to 85). for appraisal of the Board to give permission to publish the result and issue offer of appointment to the candidate(s) if selected. Further, the Board may approve to go for recruitment if vacancy occurs arising out of publication of results selections of above recruitment.

Resolution: Approved with publication of the following results based on the legal advice obtained after disposal of cases W.P.(C) No. 16456/2011 & W.P.(C) No. 3876/2014 in the Hon'ble High Court.

Results of the interview held on 16.06.2013[W.P.(C) No. 16456/2011]

Reader in Mechanical Engineering : Not found suitable
Reader in Manufacturing Science & Engineering : Not found suitable

Workshop Superintendent : Not found suitable

Results of the interview held on 02.03.2014 [W.P.(C) No. 3876/2014]

Reader /Assistant Professor in Mechanical Engineering in order of merit

- 1. Chitta Ranjan Deo (Specialization Design)
- 2. Hrushikesh Barik [Specialization Thermal(Heat Power)]
- 3. Sharifuddin Mondal (Specialization Design)
- 4. Nirmala Kumar Kund (Specialization Production Engg.)
- 5. Pandaba Patro [Specialization Thermal(Heat Power)]

Results of the interview held on 03.03.2014 [W.P.(C) No. 3876/2014]

Reader/Assistant Professor in Production Engineering : Not found suitable

BoM:18-06 Any other items with the permission of the Chair.

(i) To report the creation of non-teaching posts i.e, Assistant Registrar & Jr. Stenographer:

Based on the concurrence of Finance Department, Govt. of Odisha vide UOR No.155-ES-II dt. 19.10.2015, the following non-teaching posts have been sanctioned which has been communicated by SD & TE Department under Memo No.V-FE-87/2015/6509 dtd. 19.12.2015 & No.V-FE-87/2015/6513 dtd. 19.12.2015 .

Assistant Registrar (2 posts) – Rs.9300-34800 with Grade Pay of Rs.5400/-(in lieu of abolition of 2 vacant posts of Jr. Assistant & 1 post of Laboratory Assistant and 1 vacant post of Dresser).

Junior Stenographer (2 posts) – As per State Govt. scale of pay/-(in lieu of abolition of 2 vacant posts of Sr. Stenographer).

This is for favour of appraisal of the Board.

Resolution: Noted.

(ii) To report the NAAC visit to this University.

The National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC) of India will be visiting this University for evaluation of this institute from 12th January, 2016 to 16th January, 2016. This is for favour of appraisal of the Board.

Resolution: Noted.

(Prof. P.K. Pradhan)

Registrar & Convenor-Cum-Secretary Board of Management VSSUT, Burla (Prof. E. Saibaba Reddy)

Vice-Chancellor & Chairman Board of Management VSSUT, Burla