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1. The 48th Executive Council Meeting of the Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Dharamshala was held on 11th June, 2020 at 11:00 AM in the Chamber of Vice-Chancellor at Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Camp Office, Dharamshala, District Kangra, H.P. - 176215.

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.	Sh. Hem Raj, Deputy Registrar, CUHP	MEMBER
3.	Prof. B.C. Chauhan, Dean, School of Physical & Material Science,	MEMBER
4.	Dr. Suman Sharma, Dean, School of Tourism, Travel & Hospitality Management	MEMBER
5.	Prof. O.S.K.S. Sastri, Professor, Department of Physics & Astronomical Sciences	MEMBER
6.	Sh. Arun Bhatia, Assistant Professor, Department of Tourism & Travel Management	MEMBER
7.	Dr. Sanjiv Sharma, Registrar(Addl Charge), CUHP	Ex-Officio Secretary

The following members were present through Webex

8.	Prof. Avinash C. Pandey, Former VC, Bundelkhan University, Jhansi, Director, Inter University Accelerator Centre, New Delhi (UGC chairman nominee)	Through Cisco Webex
9.	Prof. Sanjiv Kumar Sharma, Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari, Bihar	Through Cisco Webex
10.	Prof. Rajnish Kumar Shukla, Mahatma Gandhi International Hindi Univeristy, Wardha, MH	Through Cisco Webex
11.	Prof. K.R.S. Sambhashiva Rao, Vice-Chancellor, University of Mizoram, Anihal, Aizawl, Mijoram	Through Cisco Webex
12.	Prof. Sushil Tomar Department of Mathematics, Punjab University, Chandigarh	Through Cisco Webex
13.	Prof. Sudesh Garg, Director, Himalayan Institute of Management Studies, Kala Amb, District Sirmaur, H.P.	Through Cisco Webex
14.	Dr. Brihaspati Mishra, Dean, School of Languages	Through Cisco Webex
15.	Prof. Roshan Lal Sharma, Dean Students Welfare	Through Cisco Webex

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.	Secretary (or his / her nominee), Department of Higher Education, MHRD, New Delhi	MEMBER
2.	Secretary (Higher Education), Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-H.P.	MEMBER

3. 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. Thereafter, the Vice-Chancellor invited Dr. Sanjiv Sharma, Registrar-cum-Secretary to take up the agenda items.

Item No. 48.1(i): Confirmation of the Minutes of 46th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 20th March, 2020.

The Minutes of 46th Executive Council Meeting held on 20th March, 2020 are attached as ANNEXURE-48.1(i)[A] for confirmation.

The Minutes of 46th Executive Council Meeting held on 20th March, 2020 were confirmed.

Item No. 48.1(ii): Confirmation of the Minutes of 47th Meeting of the Executive Council held by Circulation on 27th May, 2020.

The Minutes of 47th Executive Council Meeting held on 27th May, 2020 are attached as ANNEXURE-48.1(ii)[B] for confirmation.

The Minutes of 47th Meeting of Executive Council held by Circulation on 27th May, 2020 were confirmed.

Item No. 48.2(i) To place before the Executive Council the Report about the Action Taken on the decision of its 46th Meeting held on 20th March, 2020.

The report about the Action Taken on the decisions of 46th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 20th March, 2020 is placed as ANNEXURE-48.2(i).

The Executive Council noted the Action Taken on the decisions of 46th meeting of Executive Council held on 20th March, 2020.

Item No. 48.2(ii) To place before the Executive Council the Report about the Action Taken on the decision of its 47th Meeting held by Circulation on 27th May, 2020.

The report about the Action Taken on the decisions of 47th Meeting of the Executive Council held by Circulation on 27th May, 2020 is placed as ANNEXURE-48.2(ii)[B].

The Executive Council noted the Action Taken on the decisions of 47th meeting of Executive Council held by Circulation on 27th May, 2020.

ITEM(S) FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL:

Item No. 48.3 To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding Examination pattern for Academic Sessions 2019-2020 in view of COVID-19 Pandemic.

The whole world, including India is passing through unprecedented difficult times due to the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic. As all universities and colleges are closed due to national lockdown, the teaching-learning process and research activities have been badly disrupted. The schedule of Terminal Semester examinations has also got disturbed. The term-end examinations for the Academic Sessions 2019-2020 was scheduled to be held during May/June, 2020. But due to COVID-19 Pandemic lockdown the examinations could not be held.

In the meantime, the University Grants Commission vide D.O No. 1-1/2020(Secy) dated 29th April 2020 (**Annexure-48.3(A)**) has forwarded the "Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar for the Universities in view of COVID -19 Pandemic and Subsequent Lockdown". The UGC Guidelines are advisory in nature, covering important dimensions related to examinations, academic calendar, admissions, online teaching-learning and provide flexibility for adoption by the universities. Subsequently, the Central University of Himachal Pradesh has adopted the ibid Guidelines vide Office Order F.No.1-1/हि.प्र.के.वि./शै./2010/खंड-V/2825-29 दिनांक 11 मई, 2020 [**Annexure-48.3(B)**] in toto.

Therefore, for maintaining the sanctity of academic expectations and integrity of examination process, the matter is placed before the Executive Council to suggest and approve the alternative and simplified modes and methods of examinations to be adopted by the University to complete the process in shorter period of time in compliance with CBCS requirements as prescribed by UGC from time to time and in view of the UGC guidelines.

The Executive Council has been apprised that a meeting of Deans of different Schools under the Chairmanship of Dean(Academic) was held and the matter regarding Examination pattern for Academic Session 2019-2020 in view of COVID-19 Pandemic Lockdown were discussed. All the Deans unanimously deliberated on all the issues pertaining to Examination for the Academic Sessions 2019-20.

Another Committee constituted by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor headed by Dean (Academic), Prof. H.R. Sharma with Prof. Roshan Lal Sharma and Controller of Examinations as its members which recommended that only End-Semester Examination should be conducted and the evaluation for Mid Term Examinations should be done on the basis of different components of Internal Assessment and online assignments or other academic activities.

The Committee also recommended that if the students residing out of Himachal Pradesh or in the containment zone are not able to come, their examination may be conducted later as and when the situation improves.

The Executive Council approved the recommendations/suggestions made by the Committee.

Item No. 48.4

To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding Admission process to be adopted by the University during COVID-19 Pandemic for the session 2020-21.

Several Schools/Boards/Colleges are yet to complete their examinations as of now Examinations for the even semester in the Universities are also getting delayed due to national lockdown. All these things will delay the admission process in the University system for the next academic session.

In order to tackle this situation, the University requires some amendments in academic calendar for the academic session 2020-21.

Therefore, the matter is placed before the Executive Council to suggest and approve the academic calendar to be adopted by the University for the session 2020-21.

The Executive Council has been apprised that the University has issued the Admission Notice for UG/PG Programmes of Study for the academic sessions 2020-21. The admission to PG Programmes of study will be done on the basis of merit of Entrance Examinations. If the situation does not improve and it is not possible to conduct the Entrance Test, the admission will be done on the basis of merit of marks in qualifying examination or as decided by the University.

The Executive Council ratified the decisions for issuance of Admission Notice for the academic session 2020-2021 and also approved the process for admissions in UG/PG Courses.

Item No. 48.7 To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding the appointment of teaching faculty on contract basis.

As the term of Vice-Chancellor has been expired on 19.04.2020 and Ministry of Human Resource Development has granted extension to the Vice-Chancellor to continue in his office till the appointment of new Vice-Chancellor.

The process of recruitment of faculty on regular basis cannot be initiated as per instructions of Ministry of Human Resource Development letter's F.No. 52-4/2019-CU.III dated 6th March, 2020 [Annexure-48.7(A)] and F.No. 54-7/2019-CU.III dated 11th May, 2020 [Annexure-48.7(B)].

Thus, the matter of appointment of faculty on contract basis wherever required as per availability of vacancies is placed before the Executive Council for its consideration and approval.

The Executive Council approved the proposal and authorized the Vice-Chancellor to recruit teaching posts on contract basis wherever required as per availability of vacancies.

ITEM NO 48.1(T) To place before the Executive Council the matter regarding inquiry against Sh. Rajeev Rajput, Section Officer against CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965.

An inquiry under Rule No. 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 was initiated against Sh. Rajeev Rajput, Section Officer (Store), Finance Department and he was charged sheeted for Major Penalty vide Memo No. 7-9/CUHP/Estt./2012/ Vol.II/3864 dated 05.08.2016.

As per approval of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Sudesh Kumar Garg, Director, Himalayan Institute of Management, Kala Amb, District Sirmour was appointed Inquiry Officer vide order No. 7-9/CUHP/Estt./2011/Vol.II/3929 dated 10.08.2016 to inquire into the charges framed against Sh. Rajeev Rajput, Section Officer.

The inquiry officer has submitted the inquiry report vide his letter dated 12.03.2020 to Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor which is placed at [Annexure-48.1(T)(A)].

As per provisions contained under Rule 15 (5) of the Central Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1965, the inquiry report was forwarded to Sh. Rajeev Rajput, Section Officer vide Memo No. 7-9/CUHP/Estt./2011/3200 dated 04.06.2020 with a direction to submit his representation, if any, in writing before passing the final orders in the matter.

Sh. Rajeev Rajput, Section Officer has submitted his reply vide his letter dated 09.06.2020 to the Disciplinary Authority (Registrar) which is placed at **[Annexure-48.1(T)(B)]**.

The disciplinary authority (Registrar) has placed the entire matter before the Appointing Authority (Vice-Chancellor) for further necessary action in the matter. The Vice-Chancellor vide his order dated 10.06.2020 **[Annexure-48.1(T)(C)]** directed to place the Report of the inquiry committee before the Executive Council for consideration.

The Inquiry Report is being placed before the Executive Council for consideration.

The Executive Council considered the report of the Enquiry Report and approved to "Censure" Sh. Rajeev Rajput, Section Officer under Rule 11(i) of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 by the Disciplinary Authority.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair.

Sd/-

Dr. Sanjiv Sharma
Ex-Officio Secretary &
Registrar (Addl. Charge), CUHP, Dharamshala

Confirmed

Sd/-

Prof. (Dr.) Kuldip Chand Agnihotri
Chairman &
Vice-Chancellor, CUHP, Dharamshala.