

Press Release

1. **New member of the Executive Council**
Prof D K John, Former Principal, St. Cyril's college, Adoor has been nominated as the new member of the Executive Council in place of Prof Lopus Matthew. He will be the Syndicate Member of CUSAT representing the Council.
2. **Common Calendar for Universities**
The Committee of the Pro Vice chancellors has recommended a common calendar for the Universities of Kerala. This was discussed and approved by the Executive Council for submission to the Government as well as to the Universities. A copy of the calendar is attached.
3. **e-Class system for Cluster of Colleges**
An e-Class system has been established for the Ernakulum Cluster. This will provide facilities for colleges to have on-line teaching and to share academic resources. The system is linked to the EC also.
4. **Committee on Gender Justice**
Following the recommendation at the workshop by the coordinators of Women Empowerment Cells from various Universities and colleges led by Prof. Meenakshi Gopinath, a Committee on Implementation of Gender Justice has been constituted. Dr. Sheena Shukkur, Pro Vice-Chancellor of MG University is the Convenor. The Chairman and members will be selected shortly.
5. **Committee to revamp examination system**
A committee to speed up examination procedures and early announcement of results has been constituted.
6. **RUSA**
The revised State Higher Education Plan has been submitted by the Council to the RUSA Mission Authority which will be considered by the Project Approval Board shortly. A workshop will be held for aided colleges for the preparation of Institutional Development Plans. Letters have been already sent to all the institutions to upload their proposals by March 16th.
7. **Establishment of Management Information System**
A Management Information system has already been established and it will be integrated with RUSA.