

Kerala State Higher Education Council
Minutes of the 6th Executive Body meeting held on 22.06.2024

The 6th Executive Body Meeting of the fourth KSHEC was held on 22.06.2024 at 10.30 am. in the Board Room of the Kerala State Higher Education Council. Prof. Rajan Gurukkal P.M., Vice Chairman presided.

The following members attended the meeting.

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| 1. Prof. Rajan Gurukkal P.M. | : | Vice Chairman, KSHEC. |
| 2. Dr. Rajan Varughese | : | Member Secretary, KSHEC |
| 3. Dr. Saji Gopinath | : | Vice Chancellor, Kerala University of Digital Sciences, Innovation & Technology |
| 4. Dr. Sabu Thomas | : | Former Vice Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi University |
| 5. Dr. M.S. Rajasree | : | Director, Technical Education |
| 6. Sri. Paul V. Karanthanam | : | Member, Executive Body, KSHEC |
| 7. Dr. P.P. Ajayakumar | : | Member, Executive Body, KSHEC |

The meeting congratulated European Golden Owl Award (instituted by the World Academy) recipient Dr. Sabu Thomas.

The meeting expressed condolences on the untimely demise of Dr. K P. Suresh, (Prof. Central University of Kerala, Kasaragod), a member of the ITEP Committee of the Council.

The following agenda was transacted and decisions taken.

Item No. 1. Report on FYUGP.

Approved the report on FYUGP and resolved to organize training programme for teacher and monitor the implementation of FYUGP in universities/ colleges.

Item No. 2. Annual Report 2023-24.

After discussion the meeting approved the KSHEC Annual Report 2023-24.

Item No. 3. Annual Audit and Accounts Report 2023-24.

Deferred

Item No. 4. Administrative Sanction for Unnatha Vidya Bhavan.

It was resolved to take necessary steps to speed up the work entrusted to ULCCS as the Government granted Administrative Sanction for an amount of Rs. 634.1 Lakhs for Phase -I work of the construction of Unnatha Vidya Bhavan. (GO (Rt.) No. 677/2024/HEDN dated 13.6.2024.)

Item No. 5. UGC PG Curriculum Regulation 2024.

The meeting decided to constitute the PG Curriculum Committee under the Chairmanship of Dr. Saji Gopinath (Member, Executive Body, KSHEC and Vice Chancellor, Digital University, Kerala) and authorized the Vice Chairman to nominate other members of the committee.

Item No. 6. Agreement with Centre for Development of Imaging Technology (C-DIT) for Higher Education Scholarship Portal.

The meeting decided to entrust the Higher Education Scholarship portal of the KSHEC to C-DIT, as NIC expressed its inability to continue the service in this regard. It also resolved to

approve the proposal of C-DIT amounting to Rs. 216448/- (Rupees Twenty-One Lakhs Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred and Forty-Eight only) subject to the clearance by the Technical Committee of the Council.

Item No. 7. Report on UGC meeting with State Higher Education Councils on 12.06.2024.

Reported the details of the meeting of the UGC Chairman with the State Higher Education Councils. The Vice Chairman and Member Secretary of KSHEC participated in the online meeting and reported the state's effort pertaining to the implementation of FYUGP.

Item No. 8. Centre for Skill Development.

The meeting resolved to take necessary steps to empanel Skill Development Agencies for developing Skill Courses under FYUGP.

Item No. 9. Advisory Body meeting – Proposals for further action.

Deferred

Additional Agenda

Item No. A1.- AG Audit Remarks on Higher Education Scholarship Corpus Fund.

It was resolved to formulate measures for utilizing the idle funds for expenditure related to disbursement of Higher Education Scholarship. It was further resolved to include details of the systematic efforts of the Council for fund raising, government funds of the scholarships, falling rate of interest on deposits and social impact of the scheme including the growth of Gross Enrollment Ratio (GER) and Gender Parity Index (GPI), in the reply on AG Audit.

Item No. A2.

Nomination to the ITEP Committee.

It was decided to nominate Dr. T. C. Thankachan, Principal St. Thomas College of Teacher Education, Pala in the existing vacancy in the Committee on Integrated Teacher education (ITEP).

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OA .1 Appointment / Tenure of Pro- Vice Chancellors in Universities.

It was resolved to submit an advisory note to the Government on the appointment/ tenure of Pro Vice Chancellors in Universities in the State.

The Minutes were read and confirmed

The Meeting which started at 11.00 am concluded by 1.15 pm.



Vice Chairman



Member Secretary