

**CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF GUJARAT**  
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**Minutes of the 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council**  
**held on 22.02.2021 at 04:00 pm in the VLRC Conference of the**  
**University at Sector-29 Campus**

The 34<sup>th</sup> meeting of Executive Council of Central University of Gujarat was convened on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021 at 04:00 p.m. in the premises of the University to deliberate on the agenda items circulated earlier and to take decisions on the important academic matters. The following members were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. Rama Shanker Dubey, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor (Chairman-Ex Officio)
2. Prof. Alok Kumar Gupta, Registrar (Offg.) (Secretary)
3. Prof. Rajneesh Kumar Shukla, Vice Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya
4. Dr. Vimal Ramaniklal Parmar, Principle, Shri K P Shah Law College
5. Dr. Shailesh Naranbhai Zala, Former Vice Chancellor, Maharaja Krishnakumarsinhji Bhavnagar University
6. Prof. Kamakshi Agnihotri, Dean, School of Education, Devi Ahilya Vishwavidhyalaya
7. Prof. Y. C. Simhadri, Former Vice Chancellor (Andhra University, Patna University & Banaras Hindu University)
8. Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University
9. Prof. Kavita Shah, Dean, Institute of Environment & Sustainable Development, Banaras Hindu University
10. Prof. Devendra Kumar Singh, Head, Department of French Studies, Banaras Hindu University
11. Prof. H. B. Patel, Dean, SoE & DSW
12. Prof. Sarita Agrawal, Dean, SSS
13. Prof. Indrani Banerjee, Dean, SNS
14. Prof. Bhawana Pathak, Dean, SESD
15. Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Dubey, Professor, CHS & Special Invitee
16. Shri Prabhat Kumar, Assistant Professor, CCS

The following members could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence:

1. Prof. Asha Kaul, Professor, Communication Area, Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad
2. Prof. T. V. Kattimani, Former Vice Chancellor, Indira Gandhi National Tribal University
3. Prof. A. M. Pathan, Former Vice Chancellor (Karnatak University, Maulana Azad National Urdu University & Central University of Karnataka)
4. Prof. Atanu Bhattacharya, SLL&CS, CUG

The following officials attended the meeting as Special Invitee: -

1. Prof. Sanjay Kumar Jha, Finance Officer (Offg.)
2. Dr. Hemang Desai, Deputy Registrar, Academic
3. Shri Jayaprakash M. Soni, Deputy Registrar, Admin

After ascertaining the quorum required for the meeting, the Registrar (Offg.) started the meeting by welcoming all members of the Academic Council and requested the ICT team of university for playing of Kulgeet. Thereafter, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members and thanked them for making it possible to attend the 34<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council as well as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation of the university to be held at Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar on 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor expressed, on behalf of the university, heartfelt delight and gratitude about the fact that Hon'ble President of India had kindly accepted the invitation to be the Chief Guest of the Convocation Ceremony. Then, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor took up the following agenda items for deliberation.

**Agenda No.01/34/EC/22.02.2021**

**To confirm the Minutes of the 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council held on 24.11.2020**

**Resolution 1:** As no observations on the Minutes of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council were received, the House confirmed the Minutes.

**Agenda No.02/34/EC/22.02.2021**

**To note and approve the report on Action Taken on Minutes of the 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council held on 24.11.2020**

**Resolution 2:** The House noted and approved the Action Taken Report (ATR) on Minutes of the 33<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council held on 24.11.2020

**Agenda No.03/34/EC/22.02.2021**

**To note estimate of Prefabricated Cabins / Temporary Shades to be used as Classroom and Seating arrangement for newly recruited faculty members at Sector – 29 Campus.**

**Resolution 3:** The House noted the estimate of Prefabricated Cabins / Temporary Shades to be used as Classroom and Seating arrangement for newly recruited faculty members at Sector – 29 Campus.

**Agenda No.04/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To note the recommendations of the Selection Committees for appointment of non-teaching staff through direct recruitment.**

**Resolution No. 4:** The House noted the recommendations of the Selection Committees for appointment of Group-B non-teaching staff through direct recruitment.

**Agenda No.05/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To Note admission details for the AY 2020-21**

**Resolution 5:** The House perused the admission data pertaining to AY 2020-21, presented before it, and congratulated the university for having enrolled a good number of students despite space and other constraints.



**Agenda No.06/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To note the minutes of 4<sup>th</sup> Meeting of PPIC under PMMMNMTT, SoE**

**Resolution 6:** The House noted the minutes of 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Meetings of PPIC under the project granted to the School of Education, Central University of Gujarat under the scheme of Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching

**Agenda No.07/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To ratify Booking of Mahatma Mandir Convention & Exhibition Centre for 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation Ceremony.**

**Resolution 7:** Hon'ble Vice Chancellor explained to the House that it was earlier thought to hold 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation of the University within the campus of Sector-29, but this space after measurement appeared to be insufficient in the context of (i) Hon'ble President of India was to grace the occasion as Chief Guest and (ii) social distancing need to be maintained due to COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, on the suggestion of Hon'ble Chancellor and after the visit of Members of Organising Committee of the Convocation to Mahatma Mandir Convention & Exhibition Centre, it appeared that Mahatma Mandir Convention & Exhibition Centre would be suitable for holding 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation Ceremony of Central University of Gujarat. This was an emergency like situation and very few days were left to hold the Convocation. Therefore, the venue Mahatma Mandir Convention & Exhibition Centre was booked without losing much time. In view of these facts, the House ratified the booking of Mahatma Mandir Convention & Exhibition Centre for 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation Ceremony of Central University of Gujarat.

**Agenda No.08/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To ratify engagement of Event Management agency M/s. Drashti Communication for 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation Ceremony.**

**Resolution 8:** Hon'ble Vice Chancellor narrated the circumstances under which the decision to engage M/s. Drashti Communication was taken for event management. This was also an emergency like situation where very few days were left to hold convocation. Further, Gujarat Technological University (GTU) had earlier engaged M/s. Drashti Communication for its convocation. In view of the exigencies of the situation, and noting the performance of M/s. Drashti Communication the House ratified the engagement of Event Management agency M/s. Drashti Communication for 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation Ceremony of CUG.

**Item No. 09/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To ratify the panel of experts of the Selection Committees for appointment of teaching and non-teaching staff through direct recruitment**

**Resolution 9:** The House ratified the panel of experts of the Selection Committees, for the selections held recently for appointment of teaching and non-teaching staff through direct recruitment. The House further authorized the Vice Chancellor to go for the names other than those approved earlier,

whenever required for future appointments/promotions of teaching and non-teaching staff.

**Agenda No.10/34/EC/22.02.2021**

**To consider and approve the list of students eligible for award of degree and CUG medals in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation of Central University of Gujarat to be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021.**

**Resolution 10:** As the brief of the agenda was placed before the House, the members of the House placed on record their appreciation for the Vice Chancellor who not only took a lead to organize a seminal event like Convocation of the university but also managed to elicit acceptance of the Hon'ble President of India to the university's invitation to be the Chief Guest and Hon'ble Education Minister of India to be the Guest of Honour of the event. The House then went through the list of students eligible for award of degree and CUG Medals in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Convocation of Central University of Gujarat and approved it.

**Agenda No.11/34/EC/22.02.2021**

**To consider and approve Guidelines for Accepting Endowments for Instituting Chair, Memorial Lecture/Lecture Series, Scholarships, Gold Medals and Seminar / Symposium / Conference / Research Oriented Study in University**

**Resolution 11:** The House perused the "*Guidelines for Accepting Endowments for Instituting Chair, Memorial Lecture / Lecture Series, Scholarships, Gold Medals and Seminar / Symposium / Conference / Research Oriented Study in University*" and approved them.

**Item No. 12/34/EC/22.02.2021**

**To consider and approve to accept Endowment fund of rupees 03 lakhs for inducting Vidhya Devi Agrawal Gold Medal for the M.A. (Economics)**

**Resolution 12:** Hon'ble Vice Chancellor pointed out that it was a matter of great delight that Prof. Sarita Agrawal, Dean, School of Sciences had given endowment fund of Rs. 3,00,000/- (Three Lacs) to the university to institute Gold Medal in the name of her mother Smt. Vidhya Devi Agrawal, to be given to the student scoring the highest marks in the last semester of M.A. (Economics) every year from the interest of the endowment. Further, since the endowment interest for the current academic year was not generated, she had donated the gold medal for the eligible student who would get it during the Third Convocation of the university.

Further, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor underscored the fact for the kind consideration of the House that Smt. Vidhya Devi Agrawal Gold Medal will be awarded to the student scoring the highest marks in the last semester of M.A. (Economics) even if the same student becomes eligible for the university gold medal which is based on performance in the entire program. The House considered all these aspects and approved the acceptance by the university of the Endowment Fund of Rs. 03 lakhs for instituting Vidhya Devi Agrawal Gold Medal for the student scoring the highest marks in the last semester of M.A. (Economics).



**Agenda No.13/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To consider and approve the Guidelines for the Scheme of Travel Grant to the University Employees for Participation in Conferences/Seminars/Symposia etc. within the country and abroad.**

**Resolution 13:** The House considered and approved the Guidelines for the Scheme of Travel Grant to the University Employees for Participation in Conferences / Seminars / Symposia etc. within the country and abroad.

**Agenda No.14/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To consider proposed changes in draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) made by University Building Committee for construction of Permanent Campus of CUG.**

**Resolution 14:** While discussing the agenda Hon'ble Vice Chancellor pointed out that in line with the suggestions of the UBC and FC, the draft MoU needs to be amended. During the discussion unanimous opinion emerged that during the tendering process a clause should be incorporated that tender would be awarded only to those firms with a minimum turnover of, let us say Rs. 1,000/- crore per year during the last 3 years, so that only well reputed firms would participate in the tendering process. The House perused the draft MoU and accorded approval to it while underscoring the need to clearly specify issues in the MoU like penalty consequent upon delays and mandatory approval of university before contracting and sub-contracting by CPWD. In order to put in further checks and balances, the House authorized the Vice Chancellor for any omission and/or addition to the clauses in the MoU.

**Agenda No.15/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To consider and approve the recommendations of the Selection Committees for appointment of teaching staff through direct recruitment.**

**Resolution 15:** In view of the code of conduct in force in Gujarat due to the elections in local councils, the House deemed it fit not to open the sealed covers carrying recommendations of the Selection Committees for appointment of teaching staff through direct recruitment and authorized the Vice Chancellor to go ahead with opening the envelopes and doing the needful in this regard after the code of conduct is formally lifted by the EC of Gujarat.

**Agenda No.16/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To consider and approve the recommendations of the Selection Committees for appointment of Registrar through direct recruitment / deputation.**

**Resolution 16:** In view of the code of conduct in force in Gujarat due to the elections in local councils, the House deemed it fit not to open the sealed covers carrying recommendations of the Selection Committees for appointment of Registrar through direct recruitment / deputation and authorized the Vice Chancellor to open the envelopes

and do the further needful in this regard after the code of conduct is formally lifted by the EC of Gujarat.

**Agenda No.17/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To consider and approve Proposal for starting MA programme in Hindu Studies from AY 2021-22**

**Resolution 17:** Hon'ble Vice Chancellor brought to the notice of the House that the agenda item was proposed by Prof. Sanjay Satyarthi, esteemed member of the Academic Council of university and was duly approved by the Academic Council in its meeting dated 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2021. The House perused the proposal of Prof. Satyarthi and recorded its appreciation for the painstaking effort made in chalking out contours of such extensive and promising program and accorded in-principle approval to it. The House further authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute an adhoc Board of Studies (BoS) for the program and undertake all requisite measures in this regard so that the program can be offered from AY 2021-22 under the collective aegis of Centre for Diaspora Studies and School of Language, Literature and Cultural Studies.

**Agenda No.18/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To consider the receipt of Separate Audit Report (SAR) from the office of C&AG Ahmedabad on the Accounts of CUG for the F.Y. 2019-20.**

**Resolution 18:** The House considered the receipt of Separate Audit Report (SAR) from the office of C&AG Ahmedabad on the Accounts of CUG for the F.Y. 2019-20 and approved it. The House further authorized the university to do the needful in this regard.

**Agenda No.19/34/EC/22/02/2021**

**To consider replacement of University vehicle Maruti Suzuki SX4.**

**Resolution 19:** Hon'ble Vice Chancellor pointed out that University vehicle Maruti Suzuki SX4 has been due for condemnation. The matter of purchasing as a replacement for the vehicle was taken to Finance Committee which has approved the purchase. The House considered the agenda item and approved it subject to the condition that the university follows the GoI rules regarding the ceiling of the cost of vehicle to be purchased.

**Additional Agenda No.01/34/EC/22.02.2021**

**To consider the revised Rules for Ceremonial Procedures for the Third Convocation of the University**

**Resolution AA01:** The House considered the revised Ceremonial Procedures for the Third Convocation of the University and unanimously approved it. The House further authorized the university to make required amendments to the rules whenever required.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks by the Registrar.

*Alok Gupta*  
**Registrar (Offg.)**