

### KALAHANDI UNIVERSITY

Manikya Vihar, Bhawanipatna(Kalahandi)-766001 Odisha

# $\begin{array}{c} \text{MINUTES} \\ \text{OF THE 1}^{\text{ST}} \text{ SYNDICATE MEETING} \end{array}$

20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 (Monday) 11.30AM, Kalahandi University

### Minutes of the 1<sup>st</sup> Syndicate Meeting

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021 (Monday, Time: 11.30hrs) Venue: New Conference Hall (Science Block) Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna

#### Members present:

- 01. Prof. Sanjay Kumar Satapathy Vice-Chancellor, Kalahandi University
- 02. Sri Birendra Karkara, OAS(SAG) Additional Secretary to Govt., Higher Education Department
- 03. Prof. Prabhabati Guru Regional Director of Education, Sambalpur
- 04. Prof. Manmath Padhi Former Vice-Chancellor, Khallikote University, Berhampur
- 05. Prof. Prof. Sharat Kumar Palita *[In Virtual Mode]* Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Odisha, Koraput.
- 06. Dr. Minati Mishra Associate Professor of Economics (Retd.), Bhawanipatna
- 07. Sri Premanidhi Seth, IAS (Retd)
- 08. Shri Sarbeswar Bhoi renowned Folk Artist, Bhawanipatna.
- 09. Prof. Pramila Mishra Professor in Chemistry (Retired), Sambalpur University,
- 10. Dr. Fanidam Deo Associate Professor of History (Retd.), Khariar.
- 11. Maj. Dr. Rama Chandra Mishra Retd. Principal, National College, Nuapada, At/Po-Khariar, Dist-Nuapada.
- 12. Sri Kalia Ganjan Sahoo Principal, Panchayat College, Dharmagarh.
- 13. Sri Sudhansu Shekhar Panda Principal, M.Rampur College, M.Rampur
- 14. Capt. Dr. Jayadeb Sahoo Chairman, PG Council, Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna
- 15. Dr. Dhananjay Kumar Director, College Development Council, Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna
- 16. Dr. Madhulika Sahoo Student Welfare Officer, Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna
- 17. Sri Suresh Pidisika, OFS-I(SB) –Special Invitee Comptroller of Finance, Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna
- 18. Sri Bijoy Kumar Malik –Special Invitee Controller of Examinations, Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna

- 19. Dr. Ghanashyam Behera –Special Invitee Chief Warden of Hostels, Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna
- 20. Sri Pitambar Bhoi, OAS(S) Registrar, Kalahandi University –Member Secretary
- 21. Sri Rabindranath Chhatria Office I/C, Accounts, Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna.

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Kalahandi University extended warm welcome to all the members of the Syndicate. He congratulated all and was happy to announce that most of the members were present in the first Syndicate. He requested all members to extend their cooperation to this newly established University. All esteemed members introduced themselves before the august house. The followings items were considered and discussed.

#### **Items for Ratification**

#### Item No. 01: Naming of Campus as Manikya Vihar

The Syndicate was appraised about resolution of the PG Council in its meeting on 16-04-2021 to name the main campus of Kalahandi University as Manikya Vihar. It was also informed to the honourable members that the same has been reflected in UGC website as well. The Syndicate *ratified* the naming of main campus as Manikya Vihar.

#### Item No. 02: Observance of First Foundation Day of the University

The Syndicate was informed that the First Foundation Day of the University was celebrated on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021. Sj. Saswat Mishra, IAS, Principal Secretary to Govt. Department of Higher Education and Sj. Satya Brata Bhoi, IPS, DIG of Police, SR, Berhampur and other esteemed dignitaries graced the occasion. Some of the important events of the said occasion are Hoisting of National Flag at the top of University Building, inauguration of NSS Bureau Office and Vice-Chancellor's Cup Debate in English & Odia.

It was also appraised to the members that a clean, green and illuminated campus was a constant endeavour. Special illumination on the said occasion, shed construction for smooth movement in the university, release of first day Postal Cover were the other arrangements. The preparation works were started from 1<sup>st</sup> August 2021. For preparatory works and celebration of the occasion, an expenditure of Rs.690460/- has been incurred. The Syndicate *ratified* the expenditure.

#### Item No. 03: Adoption of syllabi for the academic session 2020-21 and 2021-22.

The Adoption of syllabi for the academic session 2020-21 and 2021-22 and the new PG syllabi for 2021-22 were *ratified*.

#### Item No. 04: Fee structure and pledge money for grant of affiliation to colleges.

The Syndicate discussed about the Fees structure including the pledge money keeping in view the same in the neighbouring university and *ratified* the same.

# Item No. 05: Constitution of Local Enquiry Committee to visit colleges for grant of affiliation.

The Local Enquiry Committees were constituted to visit different colleges under Kalahandi University for grant of affiliation in July 2021. The Syndicate *ratified* the constitution of Local Enquiry Committees.

#### Item No. 06: Fee structure for admissions for the session 2021-22.

By making a comparative study of neighbouring universities, the fees structure for admission in different classes of Kalahandi University has been implemented for the session 2021-22. The Fees Structure implemented by this University was *ratified*.

#### Item No. 07: Provision of temporary Guest House and its functioning.

The matter was discussed and *ratified* by the Syndicate.

## Item No. 08: Engagement of contractual employees/ daily wage workers/outsourced workers.

The matter was discussed in the meeting. The position of such employees/ workers in the college and upgraded university was discussed. Ratification of the same was *deferred* till rationalization of non-teaching staff position by the Govt.

### Item No. 09: Earn While You Learn Scheme for economically backward meritorious students

The initiative to help the poor students was unique to the university and was appreciated by the members of the Syndicate. However, ratification of the same was *deferred* to the next Syndicate meeting to study the feasibility and sustainability of the scheme.

#### Item No. 10: Creation of Salary Pool Account

The house opined for more discussion on the salary pool account and decided to discuss in the next Syndicate meeting.

#### Item No. 11: Creation of University Campus Development Fund

Some esteemed members requested to consider the matter in the next Syndicate meeting. It needs approval from the Government. However, the permission for withdrawal of money of Rs.30.75 Lakh from PL Account for the development and beautification of the campus may be expedited. As new students of Post Graduation and Ph.D. will be arriving, the Vice-Chancellor was appreciated to keep up the works of campus renovation.

### Item No. 12: Ratification of the proceedings of the Purchase Committee related to purchase from OHEPEE funds.

The matter was discussed in detail and every purchase is required to be jointly signed by the Registrar and COF.

#### Item No. 13: Approval of proceeding of Local Purchase Committee

The matter was discussed in detail and ratified the proceedings of the Local Purchase Committee subject to joint signature of COF and Registrar on the purchase made in this regard.

### Item No. 14: Approval of engagement of 04 Nos. of security personnel through Service Providers.

The engagement of Security Guards through the Service Provider was *ratified* by the Syndicate. However, some members advised to obtain approval from the Government for future engagements.

#### Item No. 15: Hiring of vehicles

The expenditure incurred towards the hiring of vehicle for Hon'ble VC till 30-11-2021 was *ratified*.

#### Items for Approval

## Item No. 01: Fixation of sitting allowances, TA/DA for Syndicate members and invited guests –consideration and approval.

The house discussed the matter and advised to *wait* for the Government direction regarding Sitting Allowance and DA. However, the house agreed on the disbursement of the TA as admissible or to make conveyance arrangement for the other members.

#### Item No. 02: Infrastructure Plan on University land

Deferred to the next syndicate meeting since the plan is in process. The payment required by the Odisha State Police Housing Corporation need to be placed before the Govt.

#### Item No. 03: Formation of Boards of Studies – Consideration and approval.

The Syndicate had *no objection* in the formation of Boards of Studies. However, it was of the opinion that it should be ratified in the Academic Council.

#### Item No. 04: Construction of building by PWD.

The Syndicate *approved* the construction of building by the PWD as the earlier first floor's construction work has been done by same agency. This is a vertical expansion.

#### Item No. 05: Continuance of courses under PPP mode.

The House discussed the matter carefully and since it needs further examination, the house decided to *defer* the matter to the next Syndicate meeting.

#### Item No. 06: Grant of affiliation to the colleges.

The Syndicate authorized the Vice-Chancellor to grant affiliation to the colleges having updated Govt. recognition and university affiliation.

#### Item No. 07: Equivalence of degrees of other universities.

The Syndicate directed that the matter should be ratified by the Academic Council/ PG Council.

#### Item No. 08: Opening of Ph.D. programmes.

The Syndicate directed that the matter should be ratified by the Academic Council.

#### Item No. 09: Other matters

#### • Establishment of University Sports Council

The Syndicate accorded its approval for establishment of University Sports Council in Kalahandi University.

• Establishment of NSS Bureau

Establishment of NSS Bureau was approved.

#### • Reconstruction of Gym

Reconstruction of Gym with funds allowed by Hon'ble MP – Sj. Sujeet Kumar was approved.

#### Items for Reporting

#### Item No. 01: Recognition of UGC under Section 2(f) of UGC Act, 1956.

The UGC Vide letter No. F.19-15/2021(CPP-I/PU), Dt.18-08-2021 has recognized Kalahandi University as a State University under section 2(f) of UGC Act, 1956 and empowered it to award degrees as specified by the UGC under Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 by conducting courses through its own departments, its constituent colleges and /or through its affiliated colleges in regular mode with the approval of statutory bodies and statutory councils, wherever it is required.

The Syndicate praised the efforts of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor in obtaining timely UGC recognition.

#### Item No. 02: Naming of Women's Hostel as PG Women's Hostel

The naming of Women's Hostel as PG Women's Hostel was informed to the Syndicate. The Syndicate also discussed the naming of PG Women's Hostel in name of any River. The naming of the hostel as '**Udanti**', a river of Kalahandi, was appreciated.

## Item No. 03: MoU signed between Kalahandi University and Odisha State Police Housing & Welfare Corporation.

The august house was informed about the MoU with Odisha State Police Housing and Welfare Corporation Limited (OPHWC). The Syndicate acknowledged the same.

#### Item No. 04: MoU with Delhi University under Vidya Vistar Scheme

Kalahandi University has signed MoU with Syam Lal College, Delhi under Vidya Vistar Scheme of Delhi University. The Syndicate praised the initiative of the University.

#### Item No. 05: MoU with Bule Hora University, Ethiopia

Kalahandi University has signed MoU with Bule Hora University, Ethiopia for academic collaborations. The Syndicate appreciated the same as it will facilitate the students of both the countries for extension of the horizon of knowledge.

#### Item No. 06: MoU with Inflibnet

Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatna has signed MOU with INFLIBNET, Gandhinagar, Gujarat for hosting electronic versions of theses and dissertations in open access with interface to search, retrieve and access these content. The matter was discussed and it was suggested to seek instructions from the Odisha State Higher Education Council (OSHEC).

### Item No. 07: MoU with District Education Office under University School Connect Programme.

The University has signed an MoU with District Education Office, Kalahandi on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 to promote the learning of the School students of Bhawanipatna Municipality. As a social and institutional responsibility, the university signed the MoU to the selected students from Science and Arts streams for engaging classes and boost the morale of the school students. The school students are also invited to visit the Science Laboratories along with their teachers for better exposure. The Syndicate highly praised the benevolent activities of the University.

#### Item No. 08: Celebration of 1<sup>st</sup> Foundation Day of the University on 01-09-2021

The First Foundation Day of Kalahandi University was celebrated on 01-09-2021 in the university premises with much enthusiasm and the Principal Secretary of Higher Education Department –Sj. Saswat Mishra, IAS and Sri Satyabrata Bhoi, IPS (DIG-Southern Range, Berhampur) inaugurated the meeting and expressed their satisfaction in the functioning of the newly established university. The house congratulated the University for the said celebration. The expenditures towards the celebration have been ratified in *Item No.2 of Items for Ratification*.

#### Item No. 09: Appointment of teaching members.

The Department of Higher Education, vide its letter No. HE-UE-POLICY-0017-2020 48957/HE, Dt.01-12-2021 has recommended 04 candidates for the posts of Assistant Professors in Anthropology for appointment by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. All the 04 Assistant Professors have joined their posts. The Syndicate welcomed the newly appointed teachers.

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	C/O Dr. Arjun Sahoo	
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	Sarala Nagar, Budheswari, Laxmisagar, Bhubaneswar-	
	751006.	
2.	Dhananjay Kumar	UR
	House No. S-87/88, Street Road 10, Vikas Nagar, Uttam	
	Nagar, DK Mohan Garden, South West Delhi-110059.	
3.	Kumud Chandra Naik	SC
0.	Karli, Bilamala, Doraguda,	00
	Kashipur, Rayagada-765015	
4.	Chiranjibi Sabar	ST

Chiranjibi Sabar Department of Anthropology & Tribal Development, GGV, River View Colony, Koni, Bilaspur-495009

#### Item No. 10: Covid carefulness message in Kui language.

During the April 2021, Kalahandi University prepared banner in Kui language and put behind busses travelling to tribal dominated areas. The innovative initiative was appreciated.

#### Item No. 11: Motivational Lecture Series 'Utisthata'

Kalahandi University has started Motivational Lecture Series 'Utisthata'. It is delivered on every Friday from 4PM to 5PM by inviting eminent speakers. 32 Lectures have been delivered so far. The recorded videos are made available in the Youtube Channel of the university. All the esteemed members encouraged the initiatives of the University.

### Item No. 12: National and International Seminars/Webinars organized since 16-04-2021

The university has organized 30 seminars since the joining of Prof. Sanjay Kumar Satapathy as Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor on 16-04-2021. It was highly appreciated by the august house and it also suggested to organise some offline seminars.

#### Item No. 13: Golden Aim Award for excellence and leadership in Education

Prof. Sanjay Kumar Satapathy, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has been awarded with prestigious Golden Aim Award for excellence and leadership in Education by Dynergic Business, Mumbai. Kalahandi University was a partner and has delivered the keynote address on experimenting with effectiveness. The Syndicate congratulated the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

#### Item No. 14: Rainwater harvesting

Kalahandi University has taken steps for rainwater harvesting in the university premises. The house was pleased to know the efforts of the university to harvest rainwater.

#### Item No. 15 & 16: Opening of NCC Air Wing & NCC SW Army Wing

The house was informed about the opening of NCC Air Wing and NCC SW Army Wing in Kalahandi University. The Syndicate expressed its satisfaction on the matter.

#### Item No. 17: Opening of Special corners in the Library

The university library has received books from two donors. Special corners have been created in the library for them as mentioned below:

- Bibhuti Bhusan Dash Corner
- Dr. Chandra Bhanu Satpathy Corner

The Syndicate appreciated the endeavour and suggested to collect more books for the library.

#### Item No. 18: National Song at 7.10AM every morning.

National Song is played at 7.10AM in the University premises on every morning. This initiative of the university was appreciated.

#### Item No. 19: Installation of CCTV

The house was informed about the installation of CCTV in the University campus and it was appreciated.

### Item No. 20: Observance of Viswa Yoga Divas with Hon'ble MP –Sj. Sujeet Kumar

Kalahandi University observed International Day of Yoga in the university premises by adhering to COVID-19 related guidelines. Hon'ble MP –Sj. Sujeet Kumar was present during the observation. Colleges under Kalahandi University also observed this day very actively.

#### Item No. 21: Publication of Kantaraka Special Issue

On the occasion of celebration of First Foundation Day on 01-09-2021, a Special issue of Kantaraka was published. The members of the house were presented with the Special Issue.

#### Item No. 22: Renovation of Gym

Hon'ble MP –Sj. Sujeet Kumar has accorded a grant of Rs.10 Lakhs for renovation of the University Gym. The Syndicate offered special thanks to Hon'ble MP for his generosity for the development of Kalahandi University.

Item No. 23 & 24:

- National SHRIE Award to Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for excellence in Education and Societal Development
- Fellow from International Benevolent Research Foundation and Life Time Achievement Award

The Syndicate congratulated Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for his personal as well as institutional achievements and highly praised him for his efforts for the continuous development of the newly established University.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Registrar.