

Association of Indian Universities
Minutes: 371st Governing Council Meeting

Mode: Blended Mode

Date: October 17, 2022
Time: 11:00 am

Present

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| 1. Prof. Suranjan Das, President, AIU (attended physically) | In Chair |
| 2. Prof. G D Sharma, Vice President, AIU (attended physically) | Member |
| 3. Col. Dr. G Thiruvassagam, Imm Past President (attended online) | Member |
| 4. Prof. Balvinder Shukla (attended online) | Member |
| 5. Prof. Paramjit Singh Jaswal (attended physically) | Member |
| 6. Dr. Jagannath Patnaik (attended online) | Member |
| 7. Prof. Surendra Pratap Singh (attended online) | Member |
| 8. Dr. Dineshkumar R Shah (attended online) | Member |
| 9. Dr. K S James (attended online) | Member |
| 10. Dr. Kuleep Kumar Raina (attended online) | Member |
| 11. Dr. P Mannar Jawahar (attended online) | Member |
| 12. Prof. (Dr.) Upinder Dhar (attended physically) | Member |
| 13. Prof. Najma Akhtar (attended physically) | Member |
| 14. Prof. Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit (attended physically) | Member |
| 15. Prof. (Dr.) Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay (attended physically) | Member |
| 16. Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU (attended physically) | Member Secretary |

The following members could not attend the meeting:

17. Prof. B R Kamboj
18. Prof. Sunaina Singh
19. Prof. S Mahendra Dev
20. Dr. Sanjay Behari
21. Prof. A D N Bajpai
22. Dr. Dileep N Malkhede
23. Prof. (Dr.) Sunil Kumar Joshi

The President and Secretary General, AIU welcomed all the members of Governing Council of the Association.

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

371/01 To confirm the Minutes of the 370th Governing Council Meeting held on August 02, 2022.

Confirmed



ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES

371/02 To report action taken on the Minutes of the 370th Governing Council Meeting held on August 02, 2022.

Noted. It was resolved that the necessary amendments in the minutes of the 370th GC Meetings (Item No 370/07 and 370/08); as mentioned in the ATR may be carried out.

ITEMS FOR REPORTING

371/03 To report the grant of membership of the Association of Indian Universities to the following Universities:

For Public and Self-financed Private Universities (INI-01, Public-03, Private-09, Total- 13):

- (1) Vidyashilp University, Bengaluru, Karnataka w.e.f. 24.06.2022 (Date of UGC letter).
- (2) Anurag University, Venkatapur, Hyderabad, Telangana w.e.f. 01.04.2022
- (3) Drs. Kiran & Pallavi Patel Global University (KPGU), Vadodara, Gujarat w.e.f. 01.04.2022
- (4) MBM University, Jodhpur w.e.f. 11.05.2022 (Date of UGC Letter).
- (5) Sri Aniruddhadeva Sports University, Chabua, Assam w.e.f. 01.04.2022.
- (6) National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Hajipur, Dist: Vaishali, Bihar w.e.f. 01.04.2022
- (7) Manipur University of Culture, Imphal East, Manipur w.e.f. 05.08.2022 (Date of UGC letter).
- (8) Anant National University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat w.e.f. 05.09.2022 (Date of UGC Letter).
- (9) Swami Vivekananda University, Barrackpore, Kolkata w.e.f. 01.04.2022
- (10) NICMAR University, Pune, Maharashtra w.e.f. 12.08.2022 (Date of UGC Letter).
- (11) Asian International University, Ghari Imphal Manipur w.e.f. 01.04.2022.
- (12) ITM(SLS) Baroda University, Vadodara, Gujarat w.e.f. 01.04.2022.
- (13) Surendranagar University, Wadhwan, Surendranagar, Gujarat w.e.f. 01.04.2022.

Noted.

371/04 To report the following changes in the composition of AIU Governing Council:

- (1) Prof Balvinder Shukla, VC, Amity University, NOIDA was nominated on the Governing Council on the basis of her individual seniority from North Zone for the period of two years i.e., w.e.f. 24.08.2022 to 23.08.2024 in

place of Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak, VC, Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University, Kanpur, U.P, who has completed his term on 23.08.2022.

(2) Prof. Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit, VC, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi was nominated on the Governing Council on the basis of the Co-option by President, AIU for the period of one year i.e., w.e.f. 01.07.2022 to 30.06.2023 in place of Prof. (Dr.) C Raj Kumar, VC, O P Jindal Global University, Sonapat, who has completed his term on 30.06.2022.

(3) Prof. (Dr.) Dhrubajyoti Chattopadhyay, VC, Sister Nivedita University, Kolkata was nominated on the Governing Council on the basis of the Co-option by President, AIU for the period of one year i.e., w.e.f. 01.07.2022 to 30.06.2023 in place of Prof. M Selvam, VC, Bharathidasan, Tiruchirappalli, who has completed his term on 30.06.2022.

Noted. The President and Secretary General welcomed all the newly inducted Vice Chancellors on the Governing Council of the AIU.

371/05 To report the following changes in the composition of AIU Sub-Committees for the period 01.07.2022 to 30.06.2023:

S N	Details of Members of Sub-Committee	Basis of Nomination
Equivalence Committee		
1.	Prof. Suranjan Das, President, AIU	Chairman
2.	Prof. GD Sharma, Vice President, AIU	Member
3.	Prof. B. R. Kamboj, VC, Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University	Four different disciplines, faculties, nominated by the Governing Council amongst its members
4.	Dr. Jagannath Patnaik, VC, The ICFAI University, Sikkim	
5.	Prof. (Dr.) Upinder Dhar, VC, Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth, Indore	
6.	Prof. (Dr) Sunil Kumar Joshi, VC, Uttarakhand Ayurved University, Dehradun	
7.	Prof. (Dr.) Paramjit Singh Jaswal, VC, S R M University Haryana	
8.	Dr. Ami Umakant Upadhyay, VC, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad	Two members to be Co-opted by the President, AIU (AIU 86 th AGBM held on 17.12.2011)

9.	Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU	Member Secretary
Research Committee		
1.	Prof. Suranjan Das, President, AIU	Chairman
2.	Prof. GD Sharma, Vice President, AIU	Three members of the Governing Council, including the Vice President
3.	Prof. Najma Akhtar, VC, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi	
4.	Prof. B. R. Kamboj, VC, Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University, Hisar	
5.	Prof. K K Agarwal, Chairman, NBA	Two members from outside
6.	Prof. Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit, VC, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	
7.	Prof. Bhushan Patwardhan, Chairman, NAAC	Two members to be Co-opted by the President, AIU (AIU 86 th AGBM held on 17.12.2011)
8.	Dr. Kuldeep Kumar Raina, VC, M S Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences, Bengaluru	
9.	Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU	Member Secretary
Finance Committee		
1.	Prof. Suranjan Das, President, AIU	Chairman
2.	Prof. GD Sharma, Vice President, AIU	Member
3.	Col. (Dr.) G Thiruvassagam	Imm Past President
4.	Prof. Najma Akhtar, VC, Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi	Two members to be Co-opted by the President, AIU (AIU 86 th AGBM held on 17.12.2011)
5.	Dr. Dileep N. Malkhede, VC, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati	
6.	Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU	Member Secretary
Establishment Committee		
1.	Prof. Suranjan Das, President, AIU	Chairman
2.	Prof. GD Sharma, Vice President, AIU	Member
3.	Col. (Dr.) G Thiruvassagam, Imm Past President, AIU	Member
4.	Dr. Sanjay Behari, Director, Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology, Thiruvananthapuram	Three other members, nominated by the President on the basis that each of five zones is

5.	Prof. (Dr.) Upinder Dhar, VC, Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth, Indore	represented on the Establishment Committee
6.	Prof. (Dr.) Paramjit Singh Jaswal, VC, S R M University Haryana	
7.	Dr Dineshkumar R. Shah, VC, UKA Tarsadia University, Surat	Two members to be Co-opted by the President, AIU (AIU 86 th AGBM held on 17.12.2011)
8.	Prof. Surendra Pratap Singh, VC, Lalit Narayan Mithila University, Darbhanga	
9.	Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU	Member Secretary
Cultural Committee		
1.	Prof. Suranjan Das, President, AIU	Chairman
2.	Prof. GD Sharma, Vice President, AIU	Member
3.	Prof Balvinder Shukla, VC, Amity University Uttar Pradesh, NOIDA	Five members of the Governing Council, one drawn from each zone
4.	Dr. Jagannath Patnaik, VC, The ICFAI University, Sikkim	
5.	Dr Dineshkumar R. Shah, VC, UKA Tarsadia University, Surat	
6.	Dr. Kuldeep Kumar Raina, VC, M S Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences, Bengaluru	
7.	Prof. Arun Diwakar Nath Bajpai, VC, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Vishwavidyalaya, Bliaspur, M.P	
8.	Prof. (Dr.) Byomakesh Tripathy, VC, Utkal University of Culture, Bhubaneswar	
9.	Prof. Mandvi Singh, Former VC, Indira Kala Sangit Vishwavidyalaya, Khairagarh, Chhattisgarh	
10.	Prof. (Pt.) Sahitya Kumar Nahar, VC, Raja Mansingh Tomar Music & Art University, Gwalior, M.P	Four persons from outside nominated for their special knowledge and competence
11.	Prof. (Dr.) Vijay Kumar Srivastava, VC, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara, Gujarat	
12.	Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote, VC, Karnataka State Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University, Mysore, Karnataka	
13.	Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh Chandra Gaur, Director, National School of Drama, New Delhi	

14.	Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU	Member Secretary
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Noted. The President and Secretary General welcomed all the newly nominated member on the Sub-Committees of the AIU.

371/06 To report the incorporation/amendment made in the 'Recruitment and Promotion Bye-laws 2017' of the Association of Indian Universities.

[Note: The provision for age relaxation prescribed in the Recruitment and Promotion Bye-laws 2017 for direct recruitment for various posts provides as under:

Age Limit for direct recruitment is relaxable by 5 years for employees of Government Departments/Autonomous Bodies/ Institutions of Higher Education of the Government of India.

Advertisement has been given to fill up various posts in AIU. In order to receive more applications, it has been decided to incorporate and suffix "**Central/State Government**" in place of "**Government of India**" in the above clause which reads as under:

Age Limit for direct recruitment is relaxable by 5 years for employees of Government Departments/Autonomous Bodies/ Institutions of Higher Education of the Central/State Government.]

Noted. The GC resolved that the necessary amendments may be incorporated in 'AIU Recruitment Rules and Promotion Bye-laws 2017' and may be reported to the forthcoming AGBM for its approval and subsequently to the Registrar of Societies, Government of NCT Delhi.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

371/07 To consider and approve the themes and selection of host universities for the AIU 97th National Conference/AGBM and Zonal Vice Chancellors' Meet 2022-23 as per following details:

Sl. No.	Zone	Theme	Date	Host University
1.	North	Theme: Internationalization for transformative Higher Education	10-11 November, 2022	Galgotias University,

		Sub-themes: (a) International Student/Faculty Mobility (b) International Collaborations in Research and Teaching (c) Promoting Indian Higher Education abroad		Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh
2.	East	Theme: Pedagogies and use of Technologies for transformative Higher Education Sub-themes: (a) Innovative Pedagogy & Lifelong Learning (b) Blended Learning (c) Personalized Learning through Edu-Technology	13-14 December, 2022	The ICFAI University, Sikkim
3.	Central	Theme: Curriculum for a holistic and Multidisciplinary transformative Higher Education Sub-themes: (a) Outcome Based Learning (b) Academy-Industry-Society Interface (c) Integrating Indian Knowledge System through multidisciplinary Teaching Learning process	10-11 January, 2023	Symbiosis University of Applied Sciences, Indore
4.	South	Theme: Research & Excellence for transformative Higher Education Sub-themes: (a) Research Funding (b) Promoting Quality & Relevant Research (c) Linking Teaching and Research	31 January-01 February, 2023	Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, A. P
5.	West	Theme: Evaluation Reforms for transformative Higher Education Sub-themes: (a) Continuous Assessment & Evaluation (b) Using technology for Assessment & Evaluation	21-22 February, 2023	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad, Maharashtra

	(c) Innovative Assessment Methods & Capacity Building of Faculty		
AIU National Seminar/ 96th Annual General Body Meeting			
1.	Transformative Higher Education for AtmaNirbhar Bharat	23-25 March, 2023	University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya

Noted and approved.

- 371/08 To consider and approve the proposal to invite the top 50 NIRF ranking AIU members research universities/institutes to showcase their research and innovation by setting up the stalls during the AIU Zonal Vice Chancellors' Meets 2022-23.

The GC resolved that top 100 NIRF ranking AIU member Universities and the universities with NAAC rating of 3.5 and above may be invited for setting up their stalls, depicting the research, innovation, startups and other such initiatives taken by them during the AIU Zonal Vice Chancellors' Meets 2022-23 and National Meet with a minimal charge of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) (inclusive of GST) per stall.

- 371/09 To consider and approve the proposal of appointing Dr. Kavita Sharma, Former President, South Asian University as consultant for the Project on "Association of Indian Universities: Genesis, History and contribution" to be taken up during the current session.

The GC unanimously agreed that the genesis, history and contribution of AIU in the development of Higher Education System in India shall be documented. It was resolved to appoint Dr. Kavita Sharma, Former President, South Asian University as consultant for the following project:

Book named "Association of Indian Universities: Genesis, History and contribution"

The GC also resolved that a 'Coffee Table Book' on the Association of Indian Universities may also be prepared.

The GC authorized the President and Secretary General, AIU to finalize the financial and other details of the assignment to Dr. Dr. Kavita Sharma, Former President, South Asian University on behalf of Governing Council.

- 371/10 To reconsider the decision of the Governing Council taken in its 369th meeting with regard to revision of Holiday Compensation and Late Sitting Compensation in respect of AIU employees under Bye-laws 61.1 and 61.2.

Approved. The GC resolved that the expenses against the Holiday Compensation and Late Sitting Compensation in respect of AIU employees under Bye-laws 61.1 and 61.2 for Group 'B' employees of the Association and the financial expenditure in this regard may be restricted to Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh only) per annum.

- 371/11 To reconsider and approve the minutes of the Finance Committee held on September 30, 2022.

Approved.

- 371/12 To reconsider and approve the minutes of the Establishment Committee held on October 07, 2022.

Approved. The GC resolved that the necessary amendments may be incorporated in 'AIU Recruitment Rules and Promotion Bye-laws 2017' and may be reported to the forthcoming AGBM for its approval.

- 371/13 To consider the proposal of Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA)- Commonwealth of Learning (COL) to constitute a committee to draft a national policy on blended learning.

The GC approved the proposal of for the constitution of a committee to draft a 'National Policy on Blended Learning' in association with Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA) and resolved that meetings in this regard may be held at the Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA), New Delhi.

- 371/14 To consider and approve the minutes of the Equivalence Committee Meetings held on 12.10.2022.

Approved. However, the GC suggested that a legal opinion on the 'SOP of Foreign School Board' may also be obtained before its implementation.

- 371/15 To consider and approve request(s) from the Associate Member Universities of the AIU for withdrawal of the Associate Membership of AIU.

The GC resolved to approve the request(s) of following Associate Member Universities of the AIU for withdrawal of the Associate Membership of AIU with immediate effect:

- (i) University of Mauritius, Mauritius;**
- (ii) The Open University, United Kingdom;**
- (iii) The South Asian University, New Delhi**

371/16 To consider and approve the regularization of contractual employees working in AIU.

The GC resolved the following:

- (i) The contractual employees of the Association working as MTS/Cook/Driver may be paid basic salary equivalent to the regular post of MTS in Pay Level-1 with DA, HRA and TA w.e.f. 01.11.2022.**
- (ii) All others contractual employees who are working against the temporary positions as Fellow/Trainee, Trainee (Library Assistant), Trainee (Assistant) /DEO may be paid basic salary equivalent to the regular sanctioned post of LDC in Pay Level-2 with DA, HRA and Transport Allowance w.e.f. 01.11.2022.**

The GC also resolved that the salary of the above-mentioned employees may be increased as and when the DA is revised.

371/17 To consider and approve the minutes of 32nd AGM of Sports Board, AIU held on 17.08.2022.

Approved. The GC resolved to approve the Registration Charges of Rs. 3,000/- (Rupees Three Thousand only) per University per Sports for the Inter University Sports Tournaments. It was also resolved that; a separate account may be opened for this purpose and the amount may be utilized for the purpose of 'Sports' only.

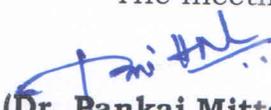
371/18 To consider and approve the minutes of Inter-University Cultural Board (IUNCB) held at Sister Nivedita University, Kolkata (WB) on 03.09.2022.

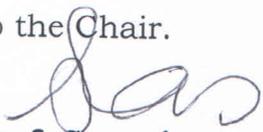
Approved. It was resolved that the list of the Inter-University Youth /Cultural events/ Sports Events along with details of host universities may be circulated to all the GC members. Also, the GC member may be invited as 'Chief Guests' during the events of Inter-University Youth /Cultural events/ Sports Events of the AIU.

Any other Items

- 371/19 The GC members suggested that to supplement the AIU Budget, the Association may consider Sponsorships for its conferences from various sources.
- 371/20 Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal, Secretary General, AIU appraised the members of the Governing Council that an "Education Leadership Summit" is being organized on November 23, 2022 by 'The Economics Times (ETGovernment.com)' in association with the AIU at the hotel 'The Leela Ambience, Delhi' which is likely to be inaugurated by. Shri Dharmendra Pradhan Ji, Hon'ble Minister of Education, Govt. of India. The theme of the summit is 'Enriching the Education Ecosystem for a Future-ready Economy and India@100 years: Infinite Digital Opportunities for Education and Skills". The GC members appreciated the initiative and advised to explore the feasibility of sponsorships during such future summits.
- 371/21 The GC members were informed about the report and workshop on the 'Impact Factor of Social Studies Rankings' in collaboration with NAAC.
- 371/22 The GC members were informed about the preparation of a 'Thought Paper' on the policy on 'National Accreditation Council (NAC)', ~~being prepared by NAAC.~~ In order to present the viewpoint of the universities on the policy of the 'National Accreditation Council (NAC)', a 'Thought Paper' was prepared by AIU through a committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Suranjan Das, President, AIU which also had a national constitution with about 200 Vice Chancellors in an online mode. The 'Thought Paper' was well received by Chairman, NAAC for incorporation in the Policy Paper on NAC being developed by UGC Committee headed by him.
- 371/23 The proposal for setting up stalls during Education Fairs was also discussed. It was recommended that AIU should put up stall in collaboration with NAFSA Conference. It was resolved that AIU with its member universities may set up stalls during such events where large number of students are likely to participate. The possibility of collaboration with EPSI and EdSIL should be explored for a single stall.

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


(Dr. Pankaj Mittal)
Secretary General


(Prof. Suranjan Das)
President