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Quality Advisory Committee Meeting

Venue: Board Room, VC's Office

Dated 19.03.2009

Members present

Prof. Mihir Kanti Chaudhuri, Chairman & Vice-chancellor
Padmashri Dr. (Mrs) Sheela Barthakur, Member - BOM, TU
Dr. (Mrs) C. Saharia Nath, Principal, Tezpur College
Prof. D. K. Saikia, Dean, School of Enge & Tech
Prof. B. K. Konwar, Secretary & Dean, School of Science
Prof. K. K. Baruah, School of Energy, Env't. & Nat. Resources
Prof. B. K. Danta, Dean, School of Humanities and Soc. Sci.
Dr. A. K. Buragohain, Registrar
Dr. B. Saharia, Controller of Examinations
Dr. M. K. Sharma, Dean, Student Welfare

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The Chairman welcomed members and then requested the Coordinator Prof. B. K. Konwar to present the **Action Taken Report** on the resolutions adopted in the last meeting on 16.09.08:

Resl	Subject	Action
1	Space for the permanent IQAC office	The space (two rooms) will be allotted after completion of the extension part of the administrative building.
2	Establishment of a children park in the campus.	A committee may be suggested by the Coordinator, IQAC.
3	QAC meeting may be organized more frequently.	A time schedule is finalized
4	University auditorium, gymnasium, indoor badminton-table tennis, flood lighted foot ball, valley ball, basket ball, lawn tennis courts for use by the nearby institutes.	The Coordinator will write to all concerned.
5	University Grievance Reddressal Committee and General Counseling Cell.	Proposals may be sent to VC by the Coordinator.
6	Construction of university meditation centre.	A committee may be suggested.
7	NSS credit for B Tech students.	A two member committee may be proposed.
8	To address stress problems of students and employees.	This has been implemented.
9	Lady gynecologist for the university women folk.	A part-time doctor visits weekly thrice
10	More nurses for University Health Centre.	A few posts under 11 th five year plan are

		expected.
11	Student member in BOS, DRC, School Board, LAC etc.	A proposal may be moved to the A council.
12	Enlargement of the indoor stadium/new one.	Planning has already been done.
13	Swimming pool, shopping complex, canteen, road side bus stand and cine-club in the campus.	Steps have already been initiated. DSW may revive the cine-club.
14	University maintenance cell for repairing the building.	A proposal may be moved to the VC.
15	Credit for extra-curricular activities like games-sports, arts-craft, dance music and literary activities.	A proposal may be moved to the Acad Council.
16	Campus and building beautification.	Under progress
17	Children corner in the university library.	Almost ready for children.
18	Formation of University Study Circle.	Opinion/suggestion may be obtained from all concerned.
19	Voluntary Contribution Fund for various relief works.	A committee to be formed to work out the modalities.

Thereafter, the **secretarial report** was presented by Prof. Konwar. The IQAC Annual Report 2008-09 has been prepared as per the format supplied by the NAAC. The report will be made available in the University website. For the next NAAC visit, the Self Study Report (SSR) is under preparation. Formatted information have been obtained from almost all Departments and Sections. The complete report will be submitted in the next QAC meeting for recommendation to AC and BOM for approval.

Constructions: Describing the accommodation status in the university, he stated about the ongoing construction of B (4 blocks, 6 units each), C (4 blocks, 6 units each), D (1 block, 6 units), E (1 block, 6 units)-type quarters, married couple hostel (2 blocks, 8 units each), 400 seater boys hostel, and 200 seater girls hostel. Three road side bus stops have been constructed, in front of the girls hostel, in the main gate and the third one near the university bus stand.

In the case of construction of academic buildings, V (Envt Sci and Earth Sci) and VI (MBBT and Pharma Sci). Women Study Centre, five buildings of the School of Engg & Tech including the workshop, and Sophisticated Instrument Centre (SIC) are likely to be completed and occupied by the end of the current year. The construction of Acad Build VII (MCJ), Acad Build VIII (Busi Manag) and Food Proc Tech building (School of Engg & Tech), University Canteen has been started.

Possession of Academic Building I and II. After shifting of depts like Comp Sci & Engg, Elect and Com Engg, MBBT, MCJ to the new buildings, Acad Building I is expected to house the depts of EFL, Cult Studies and Sociology and Acad Building II depts of Math Sci, Physics and University Computer Centre.

Increased student intake: In line with the Government decision to increase 54% seats, including 27% for OBC, the university has increased the student intake in all programs. Now, the intake capacity has gone up to about 2,000

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New academic programs: The University is starting integrated M Sc programs in Biosci & Bioinform, Physics, Chem and Math from 2009 with the intake capacity 10 for each program

Academic and research achievements: As recognition to academic and research activities of the dept of MBBT, the DBT, GOI, New Delhi sanctioned a sum of Rs. 2.34 crore for further strengthening its teaching and research activities. The Dept also succeeded in getting Rs 43.39 lakh as the first installment out 2.00 crore DST-FIST Level I support. The DBT further sanctioned an amount of Rs 26.0 lakh for the replacement of some old equipment of the department.

Depts of Physics, Chem Sci, Math Sci, MBBT, EFL etc have presented SAP proposals in UGC, New Delhi and each of them are expected to get financial support of Rs 40 - 50 lakh. Faculty members from Chem Sci, MBBT, Physics (Nanotech), Comp Sci & Engg and Elect & Com Engg succeeded in getting externally funded new research projects amounting to about Rs 6.50 core.

During 2008-09, faculty members from various departments published more than 50 research papers in reputed national/international journals.

Medical facility: The medical facility has been significantly improved with the acquisition of medical experts on selected week days for gynecology and pediatrics. The construction of a new medical building has been started with indoor and outdoor facilities. Medical aid from the new building will be extended to general people in and around the university campus

Campus security: The security within the campus has been reinforced by raising the height of the boundary wall as well as putting barricade fencing on top. An all weather concrete road is constructed internal to the boundary wall for the movement of security personnel. High rise flood lights are provided in vulnerable positions of the campus and in front of the main gate.

Fund for IQAC under the 11th plan: The UGC has sanctioned a sum of Rs 5.00 lakh under the 11th five year plan merger scheme for the IQAC, Tezpur University. The grant has already been received.

The secretary concluded by stating that the university is putting rapid strides towards academic excellence. Efforts have been made for all round improvement. We all aspire to see Tezpur University becoming one of the most sought after institute of higher learning.

Resolutions

A few proposals were presented in the meeting and after threadbare discussion, the following were adopted as resolutions:

Resolution 1. Faculty strength in departments
Faculty strength in certain departments like FPT, Env't Sci, Sociology and Energy needs improvement. For teaching specialized programs like Nanotechnology, Bioelectronics, Computational Seismology and Bioscience and Bioinformatics, the prospect of permanent/contractual appointment may be explored.

Resolution 2. Incentives to teachers


Faculty members having externally funded research/consultancy projects may be allowed to draw one time grant of 25% of the over head charge as the incentive for the endeavor.

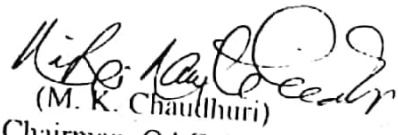
Resolution 3. Repairing and widening of roads
A good number of old campus roads are worn off requiring repair. Some of the roads may be widened. The wooden bridge and the road from there to Parowa Chariali need immediate repairing before the rainy season.

Resolution 4. Appointment of an Estate Officer
Over the last fifteen years, the University acquired huge property. The maintenance and management of the same require the services of an Estate Officer.

Resolution 5. Organization of regional and national sports and cultural events
With the available sports, gymnasium, auditorium and increased accommodation facilities, the University may explore the possibility to organize state, regional and national (Central Universities) level competitions in body building, foot ball, volley ball, basket ball, badminton, table tennis, lawn tennis, song and dance etc.

Resolution 6. Monthly seminar talks
School-wise a seminar talk program may be organized by the University among the faculty members and Ph D scholars. Expenses for the same may be born out of a General Seminar Fund. At the end of the year, the talks may be published by the university in a book form.
The meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the chair.


(B. K. Konwar)
Secretary, QAC, IQAC


(M. K. Chaudhuri)
Chairman, QAC, IQAC