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Sub: Minutes of the 53 <sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Coun	ıcil.
Sir/Madam,	
May please find herewith a copy of the minutes of Council of this University held on 03 October' 2023 for youngestions if any, may be communicated to the undersign	your kind perusal. The comments or
This is for your kind information and consideration.	
Encl: As stated above.	
	Yours Sincerely,

(Dr. Nami Tamang Jose) त्रसचिव(शैक्षणिक/सम्मे संयुक्त कुलसचिव(शैक्षणिक/सम्मेलन Joint Registrar (Acad. & Conf.)

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE 53<sup>RD</sup> EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON 03.10.2023



#### **RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY**

(Central University)
RONO HILLS, DOIMUKH – 791 112
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## RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY RONO HILLS, DOIMUKH

#### MINUTES OF THE 53<sup>RD</sup> MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The  $53^{rd}$  Meeting of the Executive Council was held on  $3^{rd}$  October, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. in the Office Chamber of the Vice-Chancellor in blended mode.

The following members attended the meeting on physical as well as on virtual mode:

1.	Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor, RGU	Chairman (Ex-officio)
2.	Prof. Kesang Degi, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
3.	Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Faculty of Life Sciences & Agricultural Sciences, RGU	Member
4.	Prof. Kh. Kabi, Dean, Faculty of Communication Studies and Visual and	Member
5.	Prof. Jayadeba Sahoo, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
6.	Prof. D.N. Das, Dept. of Zoology, RGU	Member
8.	Dr. Miazi Hazam, Associate Professor, Dept. of English, RGU	Member
9.	Dr. Agin Taboh, Dept. of Commerce, JNC, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh	Visitor's Nominee
10.	Prof. Anurag Sharma, Director, Centre for Entrepreneurship Development, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur	Visitor's Nominee
11.	Kum. Sujatha Nayak, Jeevanvrati Karyakarta, Vivekananda Rock Memorial & Vivekananda Kendra, Kanyakumari	Visitor's Nominee
12.	Prof. Buno Zetsuvi, Dept. of Education, Nagaland University, Kohima	Visitor's Nominee
13.	Prof. (Retd.) Ram Naresh Singh, PG Department of Maithili, BNMU University, Madhepura, PG Centre, Saharsa, Bihar	Visitor's Nominee
14.	Prof. Otem Padung, Finance Officer, RGU	Special Invitee
16.	Dr. N.T. Rikam, Registrar, RGU	Secretary (Ex-officio)

Dr. Tabang Mibang, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, EC Member could not attend the meeting due to his pre-occupation.

The meeting formally started with the word of greetings to all the esteemed members of the Executive Council by the Vice-Chancellor of the University & Chairman (Ex-Officio) of the Executive Council. He especially welcomed Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences and Agricultural Sciences for attending the meeting first time being a member of the 5<sup>th</sup> Executive Council for the residuary period in place of Prof. R.C. Parida, former Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management, who completed his tenure as member of the EC recently. The Executive Council placed on record the valuable suggestions/contribution of Prof. R.C. Parida as member of the Executive Council.

The Chairman expressed his pleasure in informing the house that the Government of India, Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, New Delhi vide letter F. No. 35-3/2018-CU-I dated 15.09.2023 and subsequent university Notification No. ADM-01/SB/2000-11, dated 19.09.2023, Dr. J. Suresh Babu, IAS (Retd), former Chief Secretary, Manipur has assumed the charge of the Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University on 19.09.2023 and he is physically joined the 53<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council. The Hon'ble Chancellor has come to the university and attended a one day National Workshop on "Gandhi and World Order: Reflecting Messages from His Life" on the occasion of 154<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi organized by the International Centre for Gandhian and Peace Studies (ICGPS), Department of History of the university on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2023. He had also an interaction with all the Deans of Faculties, Statutory Officers, Directors and other officers of the university on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2023 in the university campus. The Chairman introduced the Hon'ble Chancellor to all the esteemed members and requested him to share his wisdom on this august meeting.

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The Hon'ble Chancellor, Dr. J. Suresh Babu, IAS (Retd.) expressed his gratitude to the university for inviting him to visit the university and he had an opportunity to have first hand information about the university. The Hon'ble Chancellor informed the house that in his capacity as the Chancellor of this university he will try his best to contribute meaningfully for future growth and expansion in all aspects and he sought the cooperation of all learned members of the EC.

Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor & Ex-officio Chairman then felicitated the Hon'ble Chancellor and Prof. Sumpam Tangjang in the meeting.

In his opening remarks, Dr. N.T. Rikam, Registrar (Ex-Officio Secretary) extended warm welcome to the Hon'ble Chancellor as well as all the esteemed members present both on physical and virtual mode. With the permission of Chairman (Ex-Officio), he presented the Agenda of the 53<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of EC in chronological order before the members for their perusal and consideration.

	THE AGENDA ITEM			,
Sl. No.	The minutes of the 52 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of Executive Council held on 28/08/2023.  The minutes of the 52 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council held on 28/08/2023 in blended mode was circulated amongst the members and no comments were received from any of the members so far. The minutes was placed as Annexure-A for perusal and confirmation.  The council noted and confirmed the minutes of the 52 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Executive Council held on 28/09/2023 with the addition of the following items:  EC:52: Confirmation of probation period of faculty members.  The matter was discussed under AOB during the 52 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the EC held on 28.08.2023, but inadvertently, it was not reflected in the minutes on the recommendations.			
	of the S	Name Prof. Uttam Kumar Pegu	Date of joining	Date of completion of probation period  08.12.2022
	2. 3. 4. 5.	Mr. Sangey Tsering Dr. Gunjan Kumar Saurav Dr. Jagdish Prasad Maurya Dr. Sankar Thappa	27.09.2021 11.10.2021 04.10.2021 22.01.2021	26.09.2022 10.10.2022 03.10.2022 21.04.2022

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#### Career Progression of Dr. Anil Mili, Assistant Director Physical Education

Dr. Anil Mili, Assistant Prof. Dept. of Physical Education requested to consider his past service served as Assistant Director Physical Education, RGU w.e.f. 17.02.2006 for promotion to under CAS. In this regard and as per office record, the following information need to be noted:

- Before joined as Assistant Prof. Dept. of Phy. Education on 16.07.2015, Dr. Anil Mili had served as Assistant Director, Phy. Education on deputation w.e.f. 17.02.2006 (Annexure-B).
- II. He was permanently absorbed as Assistant Director of Phy. Education w.e.f. 18.08.2010 (Annexure-C).
- III. He joined as Assistant Prof. Dept. of Phy. Education on 16.07.2015 (Annexure-D & E).
- IV. However, Dr. Anil Mili was called for an interview for promotion under CAS from Assistant Prof. (Level-12) to Assoc. Prof. (Level-13A) on September, 2021 (Annexure-F). But the selection committee unanimously decided not to score and count his past service as Assistant Director, Physical Education, as this was not a teaching position. In this context, University had approached UGC for proper advice and direction.
- V. Meanwhile, Dr. Mili is not eligible for CAS under UGC regulations, 2016.
- VI. Hence, case is being placed in the Executive Council meeting for deliberation and early disposal of the same.

The Executive Council thoroughly deliberated on the matter and decided that Dr. Anil Mili may apply to the post however; his past service will be counted from the date of joining as Assistant Professor in the Department of Physical Education i.e. 16.07.2015. This will come into force with immediate effect and necessary administrative measures may be initiated accordingly. It was also decided that in the Screening Committee to screen the application of various teaching positions in the recent advertisement besides university members one external/outside expert in the rank of Professor will be inducted as member as per UGC regulations/rules. It will be applicable to all cases under CAS as well as direct recruitment. The EC also resolved that in the event of getting clarification from the UGC, regarding counting of service of ADPE in respect of Dr. Anil Mili, the same will be considered accordingly.

#### Sabbatical Leave in respect of Prof. Sarah Hilaly, Dept. of History

As per the request of Prof.(Mrs.) Sarah Hilaly, Dept. of History (Annexure-F), she was granted 01 (one) year Sabbatical leave w.e.f. 01.04.2021 to 31.03.2022 for collecting archival material from the National Archives at Kolkata and Delhi and writing the book project on "Mapping, Botany and Empire in the Extended Eastern Himalayas (Annexure-G).

# However, after completion of sabbatical leave and joining the duty she has not submitted any report of her research work. The letter was issued to her two times for submission of the report (Annexure- H & I). But till date no any reply/response has received from her.

The Executive Council minutely perused the matter and resolved that university shall issue a letter to her to submit the required documents/reports within 15 (fifteen) days, if she fails to submit the same, the university administration shall take appropriate action as per CCS rules.

#### EC:53:03

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Further, the EC ratified the administrative order regarding held up of salary i/r Prof. Sarah Hilaly w.e.f. the month of September, 2023. The same matter may be brought before the FC for deliberations and recommendations.

#### Suspension of Dr. Philip Modi, Associate Professor, Dept. of Commerce

Intimation letter received from Investigating Officer, Women Police Station, Itanagar (A.P) inform that a written FIR has been filed by Kekyum Lombi, aged-23 years w/o Shri Rinching Tsering, RGU Campus, Rono Hills, Doimukh, Papum Pare Dist. Arunachal Pradesh that on 24.09.2023 her minor daughter aged about 6(six) years alleged of a cruel sexual harassment by Dr. Philip Modi, Assoc. Prof. RGU, Doimukh and accordingly a case has been registered vide ITA WPS C/Mo. 93/2023 U/S: 376 IPC R/W 4 under the POCSO Act. (Annexure-J).

Whereas, as per CCS (Conduct) Rules, A Govt. servant shall be deemed to have been placed under suspension by an order of appointing authority-with effect from the date of his/her detention, if he/she is detained in custody, whether on a criminal charge or otherwise, for a period of exceeding 48 (forty-eight) hours.

#### EC:53:05

Whereas, further as per rules, a Govt. servant who is detained in custody under any law providing for preventive detention or as a result of proceeding either on a criminal charge of for his/her arrest for debt shall, if the period of detention exceeds 48 (forty-eight) hours and unless he/she is already under suspension, be deemed to be under suspension from the date of detention until further order orders as contemplated in the Central Civil Service (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules.

Hence, under the above circumstances and as per CCS (Conduct) Rules, the Competent Authority has placed Dr. Philip Modi, Associate Professor Dept. of Commerce, RGU under suspension with effect from the date of his detention (under custody) i.e. 25.09.2023 (Annexure-K).

The members expressed serious concerned over the incidence and felt that the matter should be dealt with as per the provision of law.

The Executive Council perused and ratified the action taken by the university as per CCS rules. The EC resolved that a one-man inquiry committee may be constituted to look into the issue. However, the salary of Dr. Philip Modi shall be released up to 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2023 (A.N.) on pro-rata basis thereafter; the subsistence allowance be released as per CCS rules.

### Long absence from duty i/r Mr. Moji Riba, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mass Communication

#### EC:53:06

Mr. Moji Riba, Assistant Professor, Department of Mass Communication had applied/requested to grant earned leave for 5 days w.e.f. 20.09.2021 to go Delhi for admission of his son at New Delhi. He was supposed to resume his duty on 27.09.2021 but did not join. After expiry of his leave, received a mail letter dated 28 Sept.' 2021 from Mr. Riba requested to extend his leave period up to 01.10.2021 and he was supposed to join on 04.10.2021 but did not Join.

Further, on 25 July'2022 received a letter dated 25.07.2022 from Mr. Riba requested for extension of leave up to 31.10.2022 on medical ground for ongoing medical treatment of his son at BLK Max Super Specialty Hospital, New Delhi. He was supposed to join on 01.11.2022 but he has not joined till date.

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On 26.07.2022 mail was received by Prof. Uttam Kr. Pegu, Head, Dept. of Mass Communication from Mr. Riba, along with supporting documents (Medical papers of son) Thereafter, with reference to office letter No. ET/PF-156/MR/2005, dated 8 Sept. 2023 he has replied and requested to allow him to report for duty on 3 October'2023, in view of final medical review of his son Mr. Jili Kabang Riba on 30 Sept. 2023 (Annexure-L). The matter is being brought before the EC for deliberation and guidance on the matter. The Executive Council thoroughly perused the files and documents in this regard. After a threadbare discussion, it was resolved that, if Mr. Moji Riba fails to join on 03.10.2023 before closing the office hours, then immediate suspension order may be issued by the university to this effect. The Council further resolved that the university may seek legal opinion on the matter. Court order on Prof. M.C. Behera (under suspension), AITS Judgment dated 04.08.2023 report of Prof. M.C. Behera (under Suspension) received from Hon'ble Court of the Chief Judicial Magistrate, Lakhimpur, Assam (Annexure-U). EC:53:07 The Executive Council thoroughly examined the documents and all court orders, reports of the three-man inquiry committee, one-man inquiry committee and resolved that university shall constitute a one-man Departmental Inquiry Committee headed by a retired judge to look in the issue in consonant with court observations. Enhancement of remuneration of contractual employees To ratify the action taken by the University Authority on the enhancement of remunerations in respects of various categories of contractual staff working in Rajiv Gandhi University w.e.f. 01.09.2023. EC:53:08 Order No. EG-433/2013/ACS/Vol-II, dated 16.09.2023, subject to ratification by the Executive Council. The order was placed before the Council as Annexure-K. The Executive Council perused and ratified the decision taken by the university. Further, the EC resolved that salary/wages of contractual employees should be reviewed after every three years. Proposal to conduct recruitment of non-teaching staff (Group C and B) through NTA Rajiv Gandhi University has advertised various Non-Teaching posts vide Advertisement No.Estt-188/2011/Pt. dtd. 26.07.2023 (Annexure - L). This University is intending to conduct the tests of Group 'B' and 'C' position in collaboration with the National Testing Agency, New Delhi. In this regard correspondence has been done with the Director, National Testing Agency, New Delhi vide letter No.Estt-188/2011/Pt dtd. 16.09.2023 and subsequently the EC:53:09 NTA agreed proposal in principle and sought some clarification/explanation vide mail dated 20.09.2023. The Executive Council perused and resolved that since the process has already been started the university may go ahead the recruitment of the non-teaching posts so advertised on its own mechanism by maintaining sanctity of the recruitment system.

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#### Seeking the service of Justice M.C. Nagaraj (retired district Judge).

The University has numbers of legal matters/issues which needs proper legal guidance to resolve those pending legal matters.

Hence, it was proposed that the services of Justice M.C. Nagaraj (retired district Judge) may be taken as legal counselor/advisor for certain period (short durations) on per day lump sum honorarium as per provision.

The Executive Council perused and approved the same. It was also resolved that the following matters/cases be placed before the Justice M.C. Nagaraj to look in to the details and submit a report on the matter.

#### EC:53:10

1.	The matter between Dr. Jamuna Bini and Prof. Sarah Hilaly				
2.	The matter between Dr. Tade Sangdo and Prof. Sarah Hilaly				
3.	Prof. M.C. Behera Court cases				
4.	Dr. Anga Padu, Dept. of Education related to publication of papers				
5.	Dr. C. Sivasankar, Dept. of Education related to publication of papers				
6.	Dr. Kurmendra, Dept. of ECE				
7.	Sabbatical leave issue of Prof. Sarah Hilaly (if non-compliance)				
8.	Reservation policy of the employees (teaching and non-teaching)				
9.	Reservation roster of the employees (teaching and non-teaching)				
10.	The court matter of Mr. Taw Teri, JE (Civil)				
11.	Mr. Moji Riba, Dept. of Mass Comm related to long absence from duty				
12.	Matter related to CAS promotion i/r Prof. Satish Kumar				
13.	On any other legal matters of the university				

Any other items, with the permission of the Chair.

#### (a) Clearance of probation period of Dr. Topi Basar, Dept. of Law

The Council noted that in the offer letter of Dr. Topi Basar, there was nothing mentioned to fulfill the criteria for clearance of probation i.e. publication of papers/research project. However, it was revealed that she has published one research paper and submitted two projects in the university.

After a long discussion, the Council resolved that the probation period of Dr. Topi Basar, Associate Professor, Dept. of Law, be cleared with the due date i.e. 03.05.2022.

#### EC:53:11

#### (b) To authorize the Vice-Chancellor

- (i) The EC authorized the Vice-Chancellor that as per Rajiv Gandhi University Act, 2006 (No. 8 of 2007) under 13 (3) if he is of the opinion that immediate action is necessary on any matter, exercise any power conferred on any authority of the university by or under this Act and shall report to such authority at its next meeting the action taken by him on such matter and Statutes under (4) the Vice-Chancellor shall have all the powers necessary for the proper maintenance of discipline in the university.
- (ii) The EC authorized the Vice-Chancellor to take the decision in suo moto as per CCS rules, if any heinous/criminal offence on sexual harassment committed by any employee of the university in future subject to ratification in the EC.

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As there was no other item to discuss, the meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks from the Registrar.

(Dr. N.T. Rikam)

Registrar-cum-Secretary Ex-officio