

**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
NEW DELHI**

**MINUTES OF THE 42nd MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE ON
BASIC SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH HELD ON 20th JUNE, 2011 IN UGC, NEM
DELHI.**

The 42nd meeting of the Empowered Committee on Basic Scientific Research was held on 20^h June, 2011 in UGC, New Delhi. The following attended the meeting:

1. Prof. M.M. Sharma
3, Jaswant Baugh (Runwal Park)
Behind Akbarallys
V.N. Purav Marg, Chembur Naka
Mumbai – 400 071
- 2.. Prof.Goverdhan Mehta
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Hyderabad-500046 (A.P.)
3. Prof. P. Rama Rao
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Tri Nagar Colony
Hyderabad-5000073.
4. Prof. Kota Harinarayan
Raja Ramana Fellow
Structure Division
National Aerospace Laboratories
Bangalore-560 017.
5. Prof. S.P. Thyagarajan
#5,1st Main Road
Nehru Nagar, Adyar
Chennai- 600 020
6. Dr. P. Prakash
Additional Secretary
UGC, New Delhi.
7. Ms. Parbati Bose
Former US(BSR)
UGC, New Delhi.

Prof. S.R. Gadre, National Coordinator, Dr. D.S. Kothari Postdoctoral Fellowship, Prof. R.P.Gandhi ,National Coordinator and Prof.(Mrs.) Sudesh Nangia, Associate Coordinator, Faculty Recharge Programme attended the meeting as special invitees.

Prof. M.M. Sharma welcomed all the Members. Prof. M.M. Sharma, Chairman, Empowered Committee then took up the agenda.

Item No.1:- Confirmation of the minutes of the 41st meeting held on 25th .April, 2011at ICT, Mumbai.

The minutes of the 41st meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 25th April, 2011at ICT, Mumbai were confirmed.

Item No.2:- Action taken on the minutes

The Committee noted with satisfaction the action taken by the UGC. The following modifications were made under Item No.4.

It has been resolved that here after honorarium of Rupees Five Thousand to referees may be paid for evaluating ten proposals of Dr.D.S. Kothari Fellowship Scheme vis.a.vis. on pro data basis as recommended earlier.

Item No.3:- Discussions with Prof. R.P. Gandhi, National Coordinator, and Prof. Sudesh Nangia, Associate Coordinator, regarding Faculty Recharge Programme.

The members of the Empowered Committee thanked the persons working in the Cell of Faculty Recharge Program and UGC Officials for successful launching of Web –

Portal of the Program by Shri Kapil Sibbal , Hon'ble Minister for Human Resource Development.

The Committee solicited that a letter from the Chairman, UGC may be sent to all the Vice-Chancellors of the universities so that the placement of selected Faculty Members is made in various department of university subsequently without any administrative hindrance.

Item No.4:- Discussions with Prof. S.R. Gadre,National Co-ordinator for Dr. D.S. Kothari Post-Doctoral Fellowships Scheme.

Prof. Gadre submitted the 26th list of successful candidate for Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowship for approval of the Empowered Committee. The same was discussed and approved.

The Chairman, Empowered Committee on behalf the members of the committee approved services of Prof. D.S. Joag, Associate, Coordinator, Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowship for a period of one year w.e.f. 1st June, 2011 to 31st May, 2012.

Item No.5:- Discussion about the framing of guidelines for the ~"One Time Grant" of Rs.7.00 lakhs for the Faculty members under BSR Scheme.

Prof. S.P. Thyagrajan was requested to frame the guidelines for "One Time Grant" of Rs.7.00 lakhs for the Faculty members under BSR Scheme.

Item No:6:- Any other item

The following modifications may be made in the guidelines of UGC-BSR Faculty Fellowship Award Guidelines.

UGC-BSR Faculty Fellowship may be considered and extended to talented Science and Technology teachers in universities who are nearing superannuation or have not superannuated earlier than 30th June, 2010 and continue to actively associate with guiding Ph.D. candidates. However, the teacher should not have completed 68 years of age for availing this award.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Empowered Committee on July 14, 2011 at 11.00 A.M. in UGC, New Delhi.

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