



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
NEW DELHI

Minutes of the 53rd meeting of the Empowered Committee on Basic Scientific Research held on 11th September, 2012 at 2:00 pm in “Faculty Recharge Programme” at JNU, New Delhi.

The 53rd meeting of the Empowered Committee on Basic Scientific Research was held on **11th September, 2012 at 2:00 pm** in “Faculty Recharge Programme” at JNU, New Delhi. List of participants is at **ANNEXURE - I.**

At the outset Prof. M.M. Sharma, Chairman of the Committee welcomed all the members to the 53rd Meeting of the Empowered Committee. Dr. Renu Batra shared the appreciation made by the Commission Members for the excellent work done by the Empowered Committee as recorded in Commission meeting held on 2nd June, 2012 with the members of the Empowered Committee. The Chairman and Members of the Empowered Committee expressed their satisfaction for the work done by the BSR Bureau.

There after the Agenda was taken up for discussion.

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the 52nd meeting held on 9th July, 2012 at JNU, New Delhi.

The minutes of the 52nd meeting of the Empowered Committee held on **9th July, 2012** at JNU, New Delhi were confirmed.

Item No. 2: Action taken on the Minutes.

The Committee noted with satisfaction the action taken by the UGC

on the minutes of the 52nd meeting of Empowered Committee.

Item No. 3: Discussion with Prof. D.S. Joag, Associate Coordinator for Dr. D.S. Kothari Post-Doctoral Fellowship Scheme.

Prof. D.S. Joag, Associate Coordinator, DSKPDF submitted the 37th list of selected candidates (**Annexure-II**), 23rd list of unsuccessful candidates (**Annexure-III**) and 7th list of Referees for “Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowship”, which were approved by the Empowered Committee. Prof. Goverdhan Mehta, one of the members of the Empowered Committee as in earlier times recused himself in approving the list 37th list of successful candidates being mentor of two of the candidates.

Prof. D.S.Joag as per the recommendation of the Empowered Committee in the 52nd Meeting gave a detailed break-up of male, female, SC, ST and OBC candidates for Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellows. In this regard, he has given state-wise distribution of fellows (up to 36th selection list) at **Annexure-IV**.

Item No. 4: Minutes of the meeting of the Sub-Committee for ‘Service Rules’ for faculty under FRP held on 8th August, 2012 at the UGC.

The Empowered Committee approved the minutes of the Sub-Committee for ‘Service Rules’ for faculty under FRP. The Empowered Committee asked the FRP Coordinators to include the “Remarks in the amended Service Rules stating that Government of India’s Reservation Policy shall be adhered to and need to be notified in the website for Faculty Recharge Programme while the next cycle of advertisement is made and also in the overall selections that are currently being made”.

Item No.5: Review of various programmes under BSR.

The Empowered Committee recommended that sample survey of some

of the beneficiary University/Autonomous Colleges/CPE Colleges to be done by the individual members of the Empowered Committee in their respective states/cities and provide feed-back to UGC and the committee as has been done in 2008.

The Committee recommended that all the 9 Networking Centres/Summer-Winter Schools may be invited for presentation for their progress of work carried out since they were sanctioned Networking Centres during the forthcoming meeting(s) of the Empowered Committee.

Item No. 6: Lists of Candidates for “One-Time Grant”, “UGC-BSR Faculty Fellowships” and “Start-up-Grant for newly recruited faculty” recommended by Prof.S.P. Thyagarajan for approval by Empowered Committee.

The Committee approved the lists of following candidates for “One-Time Grant” (**Annexure-V**), “ UGC-BSR Faculty Fellowships (**Annexure-VI**)” and “Start-up-Grant for Newly Recruited Faculty (**Annexure-VII**).

“One Time Grant”:-

Sr. No.	Name of Faculty Member	Name of the Department	Name of the University
1	Dr. R.R. Venkata Raju	Botany	Sri Krishnadevaraya University
2.	Dr. K.K. Suresh	Statistics	Bharathiar University
3.	Prof. K.P. Sharma	Botany	University of Rajasthan
4.	Prof. S.B. Chincholkar	Microbiology	North Maharashtra University
5.	Dr. D. Mohan	Chemistry	Anna University
6.	Prof. Ch. Sanjeeva Reddy	Chemistry	Kakatiya University
7.	Dr. K. Swaminathan	Microbial Bio-technology	Bharathiar University

8.	Dr. P.T. Kalaichelvan	Botany	University of Madras
9.	Prof. P. Manisankar	Industrial Chemistry	Alagappa University
10.	Dr. K. Thyaga Raju	Biochemistry	S.V. University
11.	Prof. S.D.S. Murthy	Biochemistry	S.V. University

“UGC-BSR Faculty Fellowship”

<i>Sr. No.</i>	<i>Name of Faculty</i>	<i>Name of the Department</i>	<i>Name of the University</i>
1.	Prof. S. Srivastava	Genetics	University of Delhi-South Campus
2.	Dr. K. Basavaiah	Chemistry	University of Mysore
3.	Prof. Tribhuvan Singh	Botany	Rajasthan University, Jaipur

“Start-Up-Grant”

<i>Sr. No.</i>	<i>Name of the Candidate</i>	<i>Name of the Department</i>	<i>Name of the University</i>
1.	Dr. Bhaskar Sharma	Chemistry	Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidalaya, Bilaspur
2	Dr. Rajesh Kumar	Chemistry	University Institute of Engineering and Technology, Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak
3.	Dr. Kuntal Manna	Pharmacy	Tripura University

4.	Dr. Neeraj Sharma	Environmental Sciences	University of Jammu
5.	Dr. K. Nomita Devi	Physics	Manipur University
6.	Dr. Arjun Patra	Pharmaceutical Sciences	Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya
7.	Dr. Tarun Kumar Bera	Mechanical Engineering	Thapar University, Patiala
8.	Dr. Vinod Kumar	Chemical Pharmaceutical Sciences	Central University of Punjab
9.	Dr. Dinesh Kumar	Inorganic Chemistry	Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram, University of Science and Technology, Murthal, Sonapat (Hr.)
10	Dr. (Smt.) Aishwarya Baghel	Agriculture	Dept. of Rural Technology and Social Development, Guru Ghasidas University, Bilaspur (C.G.)
11.	Dr. Rajnish Kumar	Applied Mathematics	B.I.T.S. Ranchi
12.	Dr. Suresh Thareja	Pharmaceutical Sciences	Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur
13.	Dr. Surojit Pande	Chemical Science	B.I.T.S. Pilani
14.	Dr. Sutanu Maji	Applied Plant Science	Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University
15.	Dr. G. Seghal Kiran	Microbiology	Pondicherry University, Puducherry

16.	Dr. Aditya Narayan	Zoology	Bundelkhand University, Jhansi
17.	Dr. Devendra Kumar Patel	Botany	Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh)
18.	Dr. Manish Kumar Gupta	Mathematical Sciences (Mathematics)	Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur (C.G.)
19.	Dr. Rakesh Kumar	Applied Chemistry	Birla Institute of Technology, Mesra, Patna Campus, Patna
20.	Dr. Santosh Kumar Prajapati	Life Sciences (Botany)	Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur
21.	Dr. R.Raja	Mathematics	Alagappa University, Karaikudi (TN)
22.	Dr. Rajeev Sakhuja	Chemical Sciences	B.I.T.S., Pilani
23.	Dr. Jagdish Singh	Pharmacy	SLT Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
24.	Dr. Rajesh Ugale	Pharmacy	SLT Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
25.	Dr. Rajesh Kumar Ranjan	Environmental Science	Central University of Bihar, Patna
26.	Dr. Vivek Kumar Jain	Algebra (Group Theory)	Central University of Bihar, Patna.

27.	Dr. Partha Pratim Roy	Pharmacy	SLT Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
28.	Dr. Amar Nath Sil	Physical Sciences	Institute of Technology, Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh
29.	Dr. Khushwinder Kaur	Chemical Sciences	Dept. of Chemistry, Panjab University, Chandigarh
30.	Dr. Nishant S. Jain	Pharmacy	Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya Koni, Bilaspur
31.	Dr. Sachin D. Waigaonkar	Engineering Sciences	B.I.T.S., Pilani
32.	Dr. Abhay Sankar Sahu	Geography	University of Kalyani P.O. Kalyani, Dist. Nadia, West Bengal
33.	Dr. Amit Kumar Misra	Statistics	Central University of Bihar, Camp Office: BIT Campus, Patna
34.	Dr. T. Siva Ram	Biotechnology	Mahatma Gandhi University Yellareddygudem P.O., Nalgonda, Andhra Pradesh
35.	Dr. G. Upender Reddy	Mathematics	Mahatma Gandhi University Nalgonda
36.	Dr. Sumana Sarkhel	Life Sciences	Vidyasagar University, Mednipur

37.	Dr. Diganta Sarma	Chemical Sciences	Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh
38.	Dr. Ravinder Kumar	Physics	Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram University of Science&Technology, Sonapat

The Empowered Committee approved the following two CPE Colleges for an additional grant of Rs. 40.00 lakhs on the recommendation of Prof. S.P. Thyagarajan.

- S. Kula Women's College, Kongkhampat, Nambol, Manipur.
- PSG College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore.

Item No 7: Budget of BSR

The Committee noted with satisfaction the Expenditure status under the Basic Scientific Research Programme.

Item No. 8: Any Other Item

- It was suggested that it will be worthwhile to open Dr. D.S. Kothari Post-Doctoral Fellowships to persons from SAARC countries and a total number of 25 fellowships may be earmarked. The UGC may process this through M/HRD and MEA.
- The Committee recommended that under the scheme of BSR Fellowship, if a slot is availed for one month it will be treated as availed. No further appointment be made on the slot.

It was brought to the notice of the Empowered Committee that due to

acute shortage of space it is very difficult for the BSR Cell to work smoothly. The Chairman, Empowered Committee spoke to the Chairman, UGC to allot additional space preferably in Room No. 410 so that coordination will be facilitating.

- The Committee recommended that the University Departments/Institutions of Engineering and Technology which are more than 50 years old and they have not received any support from the BSR programmes, may be invited for a discussion for buttressing research activities leading to Ph.D.

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It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Empowered Committee on **October 25, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. in UGC, New Delhi.**

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

Annexure I

List of Participants who attended the 53rd Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 11th September ,2012 in “Faculty Recharge Programme”, JNU, New Delhi

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- Prof. (Mrs) Sudesh Nangia,
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- (Mrs.) Ritu Oberoi
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- Ms. Parbati Bose
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Prof. P. Rama Rao could not attend the meeting.

