



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
NEW DELHI

Minutes of the 47th meeting of the empowered committee on Basic Scientific Research held on 17th January, 2012 at 11:30 am in UGC Office, New Delhi.

The 47th meeting of the Empowered Committee on Basic Scientific Research was held on **17th January, 2012 at 11:30AM** in UGC Office, 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 47th Meeting of the Empowered Committee.

There after the Agenda was taken up for discussion.

Item No.1:- Confirmation of the Minutes of the 46th meeting held on 12th December, 2011 at UGC Office, New Delhi.

The minutes of the 46th meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 12th December, 2011 at UGC, 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 46th meeting of Empowered Committee. However, Committee suggested that a letter may be sent to all the beneficiaries institutions (College/Deptt./University) besides posting the minutes on the website (Ref. Item 6 of the 46th Meeting of the Empower Committee)

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

A Summary Table showing subject-wise, position-wise and category-wise distribution of shortlisted candidates, under Faculty Recharge Programme, was presented to the Empowered-Committee. Of a total of 3005 applicants belonging to both Batches I & II (with respective Cut-off dates of applications as on 30th June, 2011 and 30th September, 2011), 407 candidates have been recommended by the shortlisting Committees for interview. A separate **four-** member Subject Committee was constituted for each of the six disciplines. The Empowered-Committee took note, *interalia*, of application of Cut-off age criterion (55 years or less as on the Cut-off date of applications) for scrutiny of candidates, which the Committee had earlier determined.

ItemNo.4:- Discussions with Prof. S.R. Gadre, National Co-ordinator for “Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowships” Scheme.

Prof. S.R. Gadre, National Co-ordinator for “Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowships” submitted 31st list of successful candidates for award of Post Doctoral Fellowships (**Annexure-I**) & 17th list of unsuccessful candidates (**Annexure-II**) for approval of the Empowered Committee. He also placed before the Empowered Committee a list of the candidates where the guide and mentor are different but the institute is the same as at **Annexure-III**. The Empowered Committee discussed this issue and approved the list of successful candidates as at **Annexure-III**.

It has been decided that in future the selected mentors for PDFs should have produced at least three Ph.ds.

Item No.5:- To consider the request of the Registrar, Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Anantpur for approval for the expenditure incurred other than the approved items viz.for strengthening of infrastructure in items of power supply, water supply, safety equipments, laboratory working table and infrastructure required for including the component of research at PG. level.

The Committee considered the request of Registrar, Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Anantapur and did not approve the expenditure on the items namely overhead charges, purchase of books, office almirahas and Pen derives. The Committee agreed that expenditure incurred on renovation, purchase of laptops, purchase of UPS and purchase of equipment may be treated as admissible expenditure subject to the condition that it is within the ceiling as prescribed in the scheme.

Item No.6- To consider the request of Prof. I.S. Bright Singh, School of Environmental Studies, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi for approval of head-wise expenditure.

The Committee did not accede to the request of Prof. I.S. Bright Singh as there is no such provision in the guidelines for “One-Time Grant”.

Item No.7:- Lists of Candidates for “One-Time Grant” and “UGC-BSR Faculty Fellowships recommended by Prof.S.P. Thyagarajan for approval by Empowered Committee.

The Committee approved the list of following candidates for one time grant and UGC BSR Faculty Fellowship.

One Time Grant:-

Sr. No.	Name of the Faculty	Name of the Department	Name of the University
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1	Prof. H.S. Patel	Chemistry	Sardar Patel University
2	Dr. P. Geraldine	Animal Science	Bharathidasan University
3	Dr. M. Kandaswamy	Organic Chemistry	University of Madras
4	Prof. S.P. Zambare	Zoology	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar University
5.	Dr. Pradeep K. Sharma	Chemistry	Jai Narayan University
6.	Prof. M.S.M. Rawat	Chemistry	H.N.B. Garhwal University
7.	Dr. D.K. Maheshwari	Botony & Microbiology	Gurukul Kangri University
8.	Pro. Mangla Bhide	Zoology	Dr. Hari Singh Gour University
9.	Dr. S. Ravi Kumar	Oceanography	Alagappa University
10.	Prof. P.C. Pandey	Applied Chemistry	Banaras Hindu University
11.	Prof. Tek Chand Bhalla	Biotechnology	Himachal Pradesh University
12.	Dr. Yashwant Kondji Khillare	Zoology	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedhkar Marthawada University
13.	Prof. K. Chowdoji Rao	Polymer Science & Techniology	Sri Krishnadevaraya University
14.	Prof. Anshu Dandia	Chemistry	University of Rajasthan
15	Dr. J. Narayan	Environmental Science	Kuvempu University
16	Prof. S.S. Lele	Food Engineering and	Institute of Chemical Technology

		Technology	
17	Prof. Abbagani Sadanandam	Biotechnology	Kakatiya University
18	Dr. Bidhan Chandra Patra	Zoology	Vidyasagar University
19	Dr. M.N. Roy	Chemistry	University of North Bengal
20	Prof. G.C. Jagetia	Zoology	Mizorm University
21	Dr. M.C. S. Subha	Chemistry	Sri Krishnadevaraya University

UGC- BSR Faculty Fellowship

Sr. No.	Name of the Faculty	Name of the Department	Name of the University
1.	Dr. K.N. Rajasekharan	Chemistry	University of Kerala
2.	Prof. S. Sugunan	Applied Chemistry	Cochin University of Science & Technology

Item No.8- Budget of BSR

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

Item No.9:- Any other Item

The Empowered Committee further recommended and decided as under:-

1. That the institutions/universities may be allowed to utilize the grant under infrastructure development within 18 months from the date of issue of approval/sanction.

2. That Mathematics Department, Madras University which is a SAP Department at the level of CAS may be called for presentation for Net-Working Center in its next meeting.
3. That scheme of the start-up grant should only be for faculty appointed in the university department and not in the colleges.
4. That a scheme on Internship may be started and decided in the next meeting. The proposal may be formulated by Prof. S.P. Thyagarajan was requested to prepare a draft for the same.

The next meeting of the Committee may be held on 23rd February, 2012 at New Delhi.

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

List of Participants who attended the 45th Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 12th December, 2011 in UGC office New Delhi

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