GURU GOBIND SINGH INDRAPRASTHA UNIVERSITY



SECOND MEETING OF THE 'COURT'

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MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE 'COURT' HELD AT 11.30 a.m. ON 26th JULY 2005

- 1. The second meeting of the Court (the first meeting of the newly constituted 'Court') was held at 11.30 am on 26th July 2005 in the Conference Room of the University at Kashmere Gate, Delhi under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Delhi / Chancellor of this University.
- Following members were present: -
- (i) Prof. K.K. Aggarwal, Vice-Chancellor, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University
- (ii) Dr. K. Kasturirangan, Member of Parliament (Rajya Sabha)
- (iii) Shri Jagdish Khattar, Managing Director, Maruti Udyog Ltd.
- (iv) Shri N. Srinivasan, Director General, Confederation of Indian Industries
- (v) Dr. Y.S. Rajan, Principal Advisor, Confederation of Indian Industries
- (vi) Dr. P. K. Dave, Chairman- Advisory Board, Rockland Hospital (Former Director, AIIMS)
- (vii) Shri Puneet Gaur, Assistant System Engineer, TCS
- (viii) Prof. Yogesh Singh, Dean, University School of Information Technology, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University
- (ix) Prof. M.0 Afzal Wani, Dean, University School of Law & Legal Studies, Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University
- (x) Shri Sushil Kumar Ansal, Chairman, Sushant School of Art & Architecture

Other Members could not attend the meeting due to their pre-occupation.

- The Vice Chancellor, Prof. K. K. Aggarwal welcomed the Hon'ble Chancellor and other distinguished members of the Court and expressed his gratitude for having made it convenient to attend the meeting. While introducing the distinguished members, he expressed the hope that their long and varied experience in the profession would provide the guidance and direction to the University in its development and growth. The Vice Chancellor requested the Hon'ble Chancellor, the Lt. Governor of Delhi, to kindly address the Hon'ble members.
- The Chancellor, while welcoming the members stated that technology is the backbone of any developing country like ours, and this University which has been set up as a professional University has to produce high quality professionals to meet the technological requirement of the country. The University should strive for excellence and make its programmes and their contents relevant to the market needs. The graduates / Research scholars of the University should carry with them the flag of excellence.

The Chancellor felt that the guidance and valuable suggestions of the Hon'ble Members would be much needed in this regard.

5. The Agenda item were subsequently put up before the Hon'ble members and following are the summarized discussion.

Agenda Item No. 2.1: To apprise the Hon'ble Members about the broad policies and programmes of the University

The Vice Chancellor, introducing the item made a presentation, in which he briefed, the members about the policies, programmes and achievements of the University, since its establishment, as below:-

- The University, which commenced its first academic session from August 1999, has proved a boon for Delhi Youth.
- The University which started with 35 affiliated institutions, has now 86 affiliated institutions including 11 government institutions.

- The University has laid down strict affiliation norms, with no compromise on quality. The institutions who fail to come up to the desired standards are put in 'No admission' category or disaffiliated.
- The Admissions are made on merit and in a transparent manner, through a single window system, in accordance with the policy laid down by Govt. of Delhi, based on the norms of statutory bodies/ Supreme Court rulings. 85% of the seats are reserved for Delhi students while 15% for Outsiders.
- The fee structure, as per the ruling of the Supreme Court is decided by a Committee, constituted by Govt. of Delhi under a Retired Judge of the High Court.
- The University which started with 15 programmes in 1999, is on date, conducting teaching in 52 programmes in new emerging areas. A new programme of MBA in Disaster Management (weekend) as per suggestion from the Chancellor has been introduced from the current academic session.
- The number of students admitted has increased from 2979 in 1999-2000 to 10004 in 2004-2005 academic session.
- With its emphasis on research, the number of Ph.D. students has progressively increased to 123.
 - The University Teaching Schools has on date 123 teachers, besides about 1500 approved teachers in affiliated colleges.
 - The University, besides receiving grants from Govt. of Delhi has also been emphasizing on internal revenue generation. A corpus fund of Rs. 47.39 crore has been created as on 31.3.2005.
 - The University has adopted modern practices including interactive web for admission and examination, strict rules for attendance, comprehensive and continuing evaluation system, credit based end term examination etc.

- The faculty has been encouraged and motivated for self development and provides academic environment for research and development. The faculty has presented 370 research papers in National/ International journals. The University has organized 30 conferences/ seminars/ workshops.
- The University has collaborated with many research institutions like Institute of Genomics & Integrated biology, Indian Institution of Pathology, DRDO, INMAS & CISCO Regional Academy. It has signed MoU with IBM for software, INTEL for Network Processing and also with Hainan & Jinan University, China.
- The University has plans to introduce courses like Bio-informatics, Nanotechnology, Hospital administration, Remote sensing & GIS applications.

Agenda Item No. 2.2: To apprise the Members regarding construction and development of the new campuses of the University

The Vice Chancellor, while briefing the members on the construction and development of new campuses, informed that two new campuses, one at Dwarka on 60.46 acre land and another in East Delhi, SurajMal Vihar on 19.11 acre were being developed.

In respect of Dwarka campus, the Architect has already been appointed and the conceptual approval of Master Plan, has been obtained from D.U.A.C. The drawings have been submitted to DDA. The Boundary wall has been completed and the Project Management Consultant for Phase-I of the project has already been appointed. The work is likely to start soon.

In respect of SurajMal Vihar, the architectural work is in advanced stage. The work was earlier held up due to Revised plan of allotment by DDA. The Project Management Consultant for the Phase-I of this project is also in the process of being appointed.

The members were informed that in both the projects, special features like Rain water harvesting, Water treatment Plant, Sewage treatment Plant (Recycling for horticulture), Alternative energy resources and Disabled friendly facilities are being envisaged. Besides, the provisions for vehicle free pedestrian walk ways, adequate parking, adequate sports facilities, shopping complex, innovative land-scaping and attractive exteriors, are provided.

During the course of presentation, various queries raised by the members were clarified. When the Vice Chancellor was explaining the details about the campuses, the Hon'ble Chancellor requested Shri Sushil Ansal to extend his experience and help to the University in developing most modern campuses. At this juncture, Dr. K. Kasturirangan, suggested that the designing of the laboratories may be done in a specialized manner to meet specific needs of particular Schools of Studies.

Agenda Item No. 2.3: To consider and approve the C&AG Audit Report for

the years 1998-1999 to 2002-2003.

Agenda Item No. 2.4: To consider the Annual Report and Annual Accounts of the University for the year 2003-2004

The Chancellor requested the Hon'ble Members to send their comments, if any, on the C&AG Audit Report, Annual Report and Annual Accounts of the University to the University within next 15 days. It was further resolved that the comments whatever received may be submitted to the Chancellor, who may take a decision to approve the reports.

Agenda Item No. 2.5: To solicit advice / suggestions of the Hon'ble Members of the measures for further development and growth of the University.

The Hon'ble Chancellor solicited the valuable suggestions of the Hon'ble members in regard to the future growth and development of the University.

The valuable suggestions as given by Hon'ble members are summarized below:-

- 1. The University, which has shown farsightedness, in setting up 9 schools of studies in emerging disciplines should capitalize on their strengths, through close interaction amongst themselves, to conduct teaching and research in multi-disciplinary fields of studies, strengthen cross fertilization of the programmes.
- 2. The University, with its qualified faculty, should provide support and direction to the affiliating institutions, in conduct of their teaching, research and growth.
- The sharing of resources within the University Schools and affiliated institutions may be further strengthened.
- 4. The University should explore possibilities of introducing emerging areas like Cognitive Sciences, Artificial Intelligence, Remote Sensing etc. Core areas like Basic & Applied Science and Humanities should also be encouraged.
- 5. The University, which has given priority to the continuous review and updating of curriculum, should continue their efforts in this direction, so as to reduce the mismatch between the programme contents and the needs of the industry. The need for a dynamic syllabus was emphasized.
- The University, besides academic and co-curricular activities, should provide for Health related activities, counseling services for students, facilities for Sports, Yoga etc.
- 7. The Govt. of Delhi/ University should examine the possibilities of dispensing with the condition of producing N.O.C. from state governments, for considering the grant of affiliation to any institute. This is particularly important for the reason that University has its jurisdiction in the NCR region and the condition of N.O.C. may not be applicable for institutes located in NCR region.
- 8. The fee structure should be suitably revised so that the institution may be able to provide quality education. Possibilities of fixing differential fee structure, depending upon the available infrastructure, quality of labs, faculty, be explored.

It was, however, felt that the fee structure should also take care of the poorer sections of the society, who may not be deprived of the higher education because of their inability to pay the fee so fixed.

The interaction with the alumni, which forms the strength of any educational institution, should be further strengthened and a system of continuous feedback through e-mail or periodical get-togethers be evolved.

Summing up the discussions, the Chancellor thanked the members for their valuable suggestions. He assured that the University will give them due consideration in shaping its future plans and programmes. He, however, felt that the process of continuing dialogue and Brain storming, on the points raised is essential and it should be our endeavor to have more frequent and closer interaction.

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

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Secretary to the Court