

**The West Bengal National University of  
Juridical Sciences**

**MINUTES OF THE 76<sup>TH</sup> MEETING  
OF THE  
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL  
HELD ON 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2021  
IN VIRTUAL MODE**

**The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.**  
**Dr. Ambedkar Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata.**

**Minutes of the 76<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council of W.B.  
National University of Juridical Sciences held on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2021.**

The Seventy Sixth meeting of the Executive Council was held on 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2021 at Dr. Ambedkar Bhavan, 12LB Block, Sector-III, Salt Lake City, Kolkata-700106.

The Following members were physically present in the meeting:

- 1) Prof.(Dr.). N.K. Chakrabarti, Vice Chancellor, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.
- 2) Justice Ashim Kumar Roy, Lokayukta, Former Judge, High Court at Calcutta.
- 3) Mr. Sugato Majumdar, The Secretary, Law Department, Govt. of West Bengal.

The following members attended the meeting through video conferencing:

- 1) Hon'ble Mr. Justice Aniruddha Bose, Judge, Supreme Court of India.
- 2) Sri Moloy Ghatak, Minister-in-Charge, Law & Judicial Dept., Govt. of West Bengal.
- 3) Hon'ble Mr. Justice Soumen Sen, Judge, High Court at Calcutta.
- 4) Prof. Dr. Sreenivasalu, Professor of Law, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.
- 5) Mr. Justice Jyotirmay Bhattacharya, Chair Professor for Sir Ashutosh Mukherjee Chair, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.
- 6) Prof. R. Venkata Rao, Vice Chancellor, National Law School of India University.

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- 7) Ms. Sampa Karmakar Singh, Assistant Professor of Law, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.
- 8) Mr. Shouvik Kumar Guha, Assistant Professor of Law, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.
- 9) Mr. Sandipan Ganguli, Sr. Advocate.

Smt. Sikha Sen, Registrar & Secretary was also present in the meeting.

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**The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences**

**Minutes of the 76<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021  
In Virtual Mode**

Sl. No.	Agenda Item	Resolution	Remarks
1.	Minutes of the 75th Meeting of the Executive Council meeting held on 26th June 2021 in virtual mode are placed for confirmation.	<p>The Minutes of the 75th Meeting of the Executive Council meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021 on virtual mode are placed before the Executive Council for kind perusal and confirmation. However, Resolution No. 2 in place of “Minutes of the 48<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting” it shall be read as “Minutes of the 40<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting” and the Resolution of Agenda Item No. 14 shall read as “Services of the Guest Faculties are extended as proposed upto <u>30<sup>th</sup> June 2022</u>. Dr. Jawaharlal Bhattacharjee will also be appointed upto <u>30<sup>th</sup> June 2022</u>”, instead of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021 as printed.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution</u></b></p> <p>Minutes of the 75th Meeting of the Executive Council meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021 are approved with the corrections as placed before the Executive Council.</p>	

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Moreover it is resolved that a clarification may be taken from the office of the Backward Class Department , Govt. of West Bengal whether for Guest Faculty and Adjunct Faculty there is any Reservation Rules or Notifications being issued by the Government . It is further resolved that a circular letter may be sent to the State Universities/National Universities enquiring whether reservation being followed by them in recruiting Guest or Adjunct faculties.

### ACTION TAKEN REPORT

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| <p>2. Ratification of the Minutes of the 40<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council Meeting</p> | <p>It was resolved on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2021, Executive Council Meeting that “the Minutes of the 40<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021 be placed before the Executive Council after its confirmation by the Academic Council in its subsequent meeting.</p> <p>In this connection attention of the learned Members is drawn on <b>Powers &amp; Functions of the Executive Council</b>, Rule 9(1) and (10) of WBNUJS Act 1995 Schedule where recommendation and consultation with the Academic Council have been mentioned. Rule 9(1) provides that “action shall be taken by the Executive Council in regard to the number, qualifications and emoluments of teachers, after</p> |
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consideration of recommendations of the Academic Council". On the other hand, in Rule 14 Regarding Powers and duties of the Academic Council in the aforesaid Schedule is required to report / recommended for the Executive Council in two matters. Rule 9 (10) provides "appointment of examiners and moderations and, if necessary, to remove them and to fix their fees emoluments and travelling and other allowances after consulting the Academic Council".

Now it is placed before the Hon'ble Members of the Executive Council to direct whether all Minutes of the Academic Council be placed before the Executive Council for ratification as on practice or only matters falls under the aforesaid Rules be placed before the Executive Council for necessary approval as separate items.

The matter was submitted for necessary directions

**Resolution**

Resolved that henceforth only the matters or decisions of the Academic Council which require report or recommendations as per Rule 9 of the Schedule of the West Bengal National university of Juridical Sciences Act 1999, will be placed before the Executive Council for consideration and necessary directions.

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3	Inquiry Committee report constituted for Prof. Ishwara Bhat, Former Vice Chancellor, WBNUJS – Matter regarding -	<p>The matter arises out from Agenda No. 8 of the 75<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Executive Council where the Executive Council noted the draft charges, on the basis of documents connected with the enquiry and the Minutes of the meeting of the enquiry committee against Prof. Ishwara Bhat, Former Vice Chancellor, WBNUJS.</p> <p>As per direction of the Inquiry Committee a letter has been sent to Mr. Soumya Majumder, Advocate, Calcutta High Court for his opinion. The reply of the same is awaited.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind information and direction, if any.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution</u></b></p> <p>The Agenda is deferred and to be placed in the next meeting of the Executive Council with all the relevant documents.</p>	
4	Proposal for appointment of an Ombudsman as per the direction of the Executive Council in its 69 <sup>th</sup> Meeting –	<p>As per the direction of the Executive Council in its Minutes in the 69<sup>th</sup> Meeting and in pursuance of the resolution of the 75<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council, the Vice Chancellor wrote a letter to the Hon'ble CJI to nominate a member as a Chairman of the Search Committee for Selection of the Ombudsman. Hon'ble CJI has nominated Justice A. K. Sikri as Chairman of the Search Committee. Similarly, the Secretary, Law Department, Government of West Bengal was requested to nominate a member in response of which Professor</p>	

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	Matter regarding -	<p>Sadhan Chakraborty, Vice Chancellor, Kazi Nazrul University has been nominated as a Member of the said Search Committee.</p> <p>Accordingly, Justice Sikri has been requested by e-mail dated 23/07/2021 to provide a suitable date for the virtual meeting.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind information and perusal and further directions, if any.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution</u></b></p> <p>The progress of the matter is noted.</p>	
5	Appointment of Additional Guest Faculty in Psychology	<p>The matter arises out of the Agenda Item No. 12 of the 75<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on 26/06/2021 where it was informed to the Executive Council that the names of the Selected candidates will be intimated to the Executive Council after selection.</p> <p>Accordingly, Dr. Ruma Mukherjee, Ph.D. has been selected by the Selection Committee and the letter of appointment was issued as a Guest Faculty in Psychology on a consolidated sum of Rs. 35000/-. She has also accepted the said post and have already started her classes.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind information and perusal.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution</u></b></p> <p>The appointment already done and the teacher</p>	

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		concerned is taking classes, and hence is approved.	
6	Appointment of Ford Foundation Chair Professor (Honorary) at the Centre for Human Rights & Citizenship Studies	<p>The matter was submitted for kind information that necessary Advertisement will be issued shortly as advised by the Executive Council.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution</u></b></p> <p>Noted.</p>	
7	Prayer for Consideration of leave applications of Dr. Saurabh Bhattacharjee and Mr. Agnidipto Tarafder, Assistant Professor, WBNUJS	<p>The matter arises out of the 75<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on 26/06/2021 where the Executive Council have declined the prayer of Dr. Saurabh Bhattacharjee. Accordingly, same was informed to Dr. Bhattacharjee via letter dated 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and in turn the University received an email of resignation from him on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021 to relieve him from 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021.</p> <p>Further an email has been received from him dated 13<sup>th</sup> July 2021 regarding <u>transfer of his Provident Fund Balance</u> from WBNUJS to NLSIU, Bengaluru.</p> <p>Moreover, the Study Leave of Mr. Agnidipto Tarafder has been granted by the Executive Council and accordingly the same had been communicated to him by a letter subsequently. Now he has informed that from 13<sup>th</sup> August 2021 to May 2022 (till the course is</p>	

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over) he will study at Harvard University.

The matter was submitted for kind information and directions, if any.

**Resolution**

Resolved that the prayer of Mr. Agnidipto Tarafder is approved and the resignation of Dr. Saurabh Bhattacharjee is accepted.

Further resolved that the Provident fund of Dr. Saurabh Bhattacharjee may be transferred observing University norms.

**NEW AGENDA ITEMS**

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Approval of MOU on Academic Collaborations

The University has entered into MOU on Academic Collaborations with the following institutions in the year 2021 as detailed below :

Sl.No	Name of the Institute with whom MOU has been signed	Date of MOU Signed
1	Moulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, Kolkata & Haringhata (MAKAUT)	05/07/2021
2	Central Forensic Science Laboratory, (CFSL), Kolkata	13/07/2021

The copies of the MOUs were placed as Annexure.

The matter was submitted for kind information and

		<p>approval.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution</u></b></p> <p>The MOUs between WBNUJS and MAKAUT and CFSL, Kolkata are approved.</p>	
9	<p>Introduction of Master of Science (M.Sc) in Forensic Science and Master of Law (LL.M) in Law and Technology</p>	<p>The matter arises out of the 41<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council held on 27/07/2021 where the matter was placed in pursuance of Rule 14 Clause (2) of the WBNUJS Act 1999 Schedule regarding introduction of the below mentioned courses along with teaching posts which are required to run the courses from the Academic Year 2021-22 onwards beginning in September 2021 :</p> <p><b>A. M.Sc. in Forensic Science</b></p> <p><b>POSTS :</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1) Professor – 01</b></li> <li><b>2) Associate Professor – 02</b></li> <li><b>3) Assistant Professor – 06</b></li> <li><b>4) Guest Faculty – 03</b></li> <li><b>5) Research Fellow – 02</b></li> </ol> <p><b>Note :</b> Specializations to be asked – Forensic Science with specializations in Physics and Ballistics ; Biological science &amp; DNA Technology; Chemical Sciences, Digital and Computer forensics; Toxicology; Forensic Anthropology, Physics, Chemistry and Bio-technology with aforesaid specializations, etc.</p>	

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**B. LL.M. in Law & Technology**

**POSTS :**

- 1) Associate Professor – 02**
- 2) Assistant Professor – 04**
- 3) Research Fellow – 01**
- 4) Guest Faculty – 02**

**Note :** Specializations – IPR, Cyber Law and Cyber Forensics; Law & Artificial Intelligence; Technology & Law; Technology Transfer, etc.

Duties of all teaching posts shall be as per UGC Guidelines and under WBNUJS Rules and Regulations.

Qualification & Salary : As per the UGC Guidelines issued with 7<sup>th</sup> Pay revision in 2018.

All these posts are to be filled up on contractual basis for 5 years. Posts of Assistant Professor be filled up immediately on contractual basis and the remaining posts would be filled up in the next Academic Year with approval of Roaster from the Department of Backward Classes, Government of West Bengal.

The matter was discussed in the 41<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council and the Academic Council

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		<p>recommended the matter for consideration of the Executive Council for its approval.</p> <p>The proposal for introducing these courses was also placed before the General Council Meeting held on 14/07/2021.</p> <p>From this Academic Year we are admitting additional 40 (forty) LL.M. students from All India CLAT Examinations of which 20 for Criminal and Security Laws and the other 20 on Law and Technology. Similarly we are going to admit 30 students in M.Sc. (Forensic Science) from September 2021. All these Courses are Self-Financing Courses and there will be no extra cost to the University Exchequer. From all these courses approximately Rs. 75,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Five lakhs ) will be collected as fees and expenditure for payment of salaries of contractual teacher will be approximately Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakhs only).</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind consideration and necessary approval.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution</u></b></p> <p>Approved the proposal of creating all the Teaching Posts recommended by the Academic Council subject to backward classes reservations Rules, if any.</p>	
10	Engagement of two Adjunct Faculties to teach	In pursuance of the power vested under Rule 18 (5) of the Schedule of the West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, the Vice Chancellor has engaged two Advocates, namely Sri Shib Sankar Banerjee and Mrs. Sutapa Sanyal of Calcutta High	

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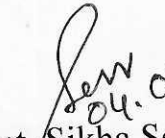
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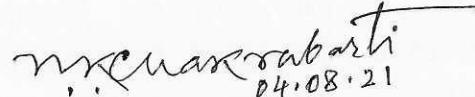


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	Clinical Paper as prescribed by the Bar Council of India	<p>Court to teach Clinical Paper on "Arbitration, Conciliation and Mediation" in the Final Year classes and they have started their classes also.</p> <p>In view of two regular teachers were not available at the beginning of the Academic Year due to reasons already informed to the members and to start the classes of all the subjects in time they were appointed for this Semester only on payment of Rs. 1000/- only per class for the interest of the students as emergency situation to start the Academic Session w.e.f. 19/07/2021.</p> <p>The matter was reported for consideration and confirmation.</p> <p><b><u>Resolution</u></b></p> <p>Approved.</p>	
11	Any other matter with the permission of the Chair	<p>The Vice Chancellor draws attention of the Members about an email sent by Mr. Tapas Bhattacharyya, Assistant Registrar (Academics) in reply to his Show Cause Notice against him.</p> <p>The Members resolved that a detailed Report be placed by the Vice Chancellor before the Members, preferably in the next meeting, for consideration</p>	

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

  
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 Smt. Sikha Sen  
 (Registrar & Secretary)

  
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 Prof. (Dr.) N. K. Chakrabarti  
 (Vice-Chancellor & Chairman)