



The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences

MINUTES OF THE 83RD MEETING OF THE

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON 25TH JUNE 2022

IN VIRTUAL MODE

The Eighty Third meeting of the Executive Council was held on 25th June, 2022 at 11:30 a.m. 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) Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ashim Kumar Roy, Judge, High Court of Calcutta.
- 3) Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jyotirmay Bhattacharya, Chair Professor for Sir Ashutosh Mukherjee Chair, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.

The following members attended the meeting through video conferencing:

- 1) Hon'ble Mr. Justice Aniruddha Bose, Judge, Supreme Court of India.
- 2) Hon'ble Mr. Justice Soumen Sen, Judge, High Court at Calcutta.
- 3) Dr. Shouvik Kumar Guha, Assistant Professor of Law, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.
- 4) Mr. Sandipan Ganguly, Sr. Advocate, Calcutta High Court.
- 5) Ms. Sampa Karmakar Singh, Assistant Professor of Law, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.
- 6) Mr. Partha Sarathi Sen, The Secretary, Law Department, Govt. of West Bengal.
- 7) Prof. Dr. Sreenivasalu N.S, Professor of Law, The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences.

The following members were absent from the meeting due to prior engagement:

- 1) Sri Moloy Ghatak, Minister-in-Charge, Law and Judicial Department, Govt. of West Bengal.
- 2) Mr. Soumendra Nath Mookherjee, Advocate General, Govt. of West Bengal.

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- 3) Mr. Manish Jain, Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of West Bengal.
- 4) Prof. Uttam Kumar Sarkar, Director, Indian Institute of Management, Calcutta.
- 5) Prof. Anupa Guha Majumdar.
- 6) Prof. (Dr.) Poonam Saxena, Vice Chancellor, NLU, Jodhpur.
- 7) Prof. (Dr.) S. Surya Prakash, Vice Chancellor, DSNLU, Vishakhapatnam
- 8) Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, Finance Department.

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

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**Minutes of the 83rd Meeting of the Executive Council held on
25th June 2022 in Virtual Mode**

Sl. No	Agenda Item	Resolution	Remarks
1.	Minutes of the 82 nd Meeting of the Executive Council held on	<p>The Minutes of the 82nd Meeting of the Executive Council and the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Executive Council held on 7th May 2022 are placed before the Executive Council for kind perusal and confirmation respectively.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>The minutes of the 82nd Meeting of the Executive</p>	

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7 th May 2022.	<p>Council held on 7th May 2022 is approved.</p> <p>The minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Executive Council held on 7th May 2022, is approved subject to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Names of absentee members to be omitted. 2) Instead of the word decision the word order is to be replaced. 	
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ACTION TAKEN REPORT / DEFERRED ITEMS

2.	Filling up of the vacant posts of the University (Teaching & Non-Teaching)	<p>I. This has reference to the Agenda Item No. 2 of the 82nd Meeting of the Executive Council Meeting held on 07/05/2022 where the advertisement of the various Posts have been made in the leading news dailies namely, Times of India (Ascent) on 20/04/2022, The Telegraphs (Jobs) on 19/04/2022, Anandabazar Patrika on 19/04/2022 and Bartaman on 19/04/2022 (Annexure 2A) and the last date for submission of the filled up application for the said posts is 07/05/2022. It is also to be noted the post of Research Fellow have been advertised on 10/09/2021 for vacancy of 2 posts.</p> <p>Accordingly interview for the following posts were held as per the following Schedule:</p> <table><tr><th>Sr. No.</th><th>Name of the</th><th>Date of Adverti</th><th>Date of Intervie</th><th>Annexu re</th></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>	Sr. No.	Name of the	Date of Adverti	Date of Intervie	Annexu re					
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	1	Researc h Fellow (Law & Technol ogy)	10/09/20 21	16/02/20 22	Annexur e 2B
	2	Teachin g Assistan t	08/04/20 22	11/05/20 22	Annexur e 2C
	3	Teachin g Assistan t (Psychol ogy)	08/04/20 22	17/06/20 22	Annexur e 2D
	4	Account ant	19/04/20 22	30/05/20 22	Annexur e 2E
	5	Teachin g Assistan t (Law)	19/04/20 22	10/06/20 22	Annexur e 2F
	6	Assistan t Professo r (Forensi c	19/04/20 22	15/06/20 22	Annexur e 2G

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The list of the selected candidates will be placed on the table on a sealed envelope for the above mentioned posts.

II. The appointment of Guest Faculty in the post of
1) Psychology & Linguistic notice was put on 30/04/2022 in the University website (Annexure 2H) where remuneration of the both were mentioned as Rs. 35000/- per month. As per resolution of the 81st Meeting of the Executive Council held on 02/04/2022 the remuneration of the Guest Faculty has been changed to Rs. 1500/- per hour class. Therefore direction is sought whether we shall call the interview and mention the change in the interview letter itself or we shall publish a new advertisement in this regard.

The matter was submitted for kind perusal and directions.

Resolution

The recommendation of the Selection Committee in respect of Assistant Professor Cyber Forensics, namely Mr. Tanurup Das is approved by the Executive Council. Registrar is directed to issue

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appointment letter following University Rules and Regulations and as per advertisement.

The recommendation of the Selection Committee in respect of Accountant, namely Mr. Debabrata Barik is approved by the Executive Council. Registrar is directed to issue appointment letter following University Rules and Regulations and as per advertisement.

The posts for Teaching Assistant for Psychology Linguistics will be readvertised, wherein the Guest Faculty be redesignated as teaching assistant with a remuneration of 50,000/- Those who have already applied with requisite fee will be informed through email to resubmit their application with their up-to-date biodata. Those who are not willing to apply for the post may ask for refund. Previous advertisement for post of Teaching Assistant be treated as cancelled and combined advertisement be circulated on the website.

Interview will be conducted afresh for internal candidates (Guest Faculty) along with external candidates and selection committee to be same for all post of Teaching Assistants.

The Guest Faculties who have applied for Teaching Assistant, their terms of service is renewed for three months.

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3	Communication of the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Executive Council to former Registrar Dr. Surajit Chandra Mukhopadhyay	<p>The matter arises out of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Executive Council held on 07/05/2022 where the Minutes of the said Meeting has been delivered to Dr. Mukhopadhyay through email dated 10/06/2022 and thereafter the reply of Dr. Mukhopadhyay dated 12/06/2022 is annexed.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind perusal, information and directions.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>A communication will be made to Dr. Mukhopadhyay with the statement of dues by 02/07/2022. Dues to be calculated keeping in mind the service period of Dr. Mukhopadhyay.</p>	
4	Progress of developing E-Legal History Archives	<p>The matter arises out of the 40th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 22/06/2021 where the Academic Council approved the proposal for developing a Historical Archive on ancient Law.</p> <p>Accordingly the matter is put up with the concept note approved in the Academic Council for approval in the Executive Council.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind perusal and</p>	

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		<p><u>Resolution:</u></p> <p>The matter is approved.</p>	
5	<p>Completion of Study Leave and Joining Back the University – Mr. Agnidipto Tarafder, Assistant Professor, WBNUJS</p>	<p>The matter arises out of the 75th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 26/06/2022 where Extraordinary Leave without pay have been granted to Mr. Agnidipto Tarafder, Assistant Professor, WBNUJS from 15.08.2022 to 26.05.2022 OR Harvard Law School 2021-22 LLM Programme, whichever is later for pursuing a second LL.M. in his field of work, i.e. Law & Technology from Havard University.</p> <p>As the said course has been completed by the concerned faculty and he has forwarded a letter of joining from 13/06/2022. The copy of the same was also enclosed as annexure along with the approval of the leave.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for consideration and directions if any.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>Noted.</p>	

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NEW AGENDA ITEMS

6	Proposal to Release of Advertisement for Regular appointment for the post of Registrar	<p>The matter arises out of the 70th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 21/12/2019 regarding appointment of Registrar (Agenda Item No. 4). However no one was found suitable for the post and hence direction was there for advertisement for the said post once again with all details. The Advertisement published on the last occasion in the leading news daily was placed in Annexure as ready reference and thereafter the Hon'ble High Court in its case FMA 4654 of 2016 – Dr. Surajit Chandra Mukhopadhyay Vs. The West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences & Ors. Dated 06/02/2020 where it was directed the present Executive Council to consider the enquiry report de novo, to hear Dr. Surajit Chandra Mukhopadhyay in person or through his learned advocate, the University authorities and to make a decision according to the earliest convenience of the Council. Since then the appointment for Registrar could not be processed further.</p> <p>The advertisement for the Registrar may therefore be published in the leading news daily for such purpose.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind perusal and directions.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>Resolved to publish the advertisement for the post of Registrar, at the earliest. The contents of</p>
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		advertisement be at par with last advertisement excluding the note regarding pending appeal before the High Court of Calcutta. As per the WBNUJS Act, a Selection Committee is to be constituted in the next meeting. Those who applied in response to earlier advertisement will be allowed to submit an up-to-date biodata and need not apply with fees.	
7	To consider and approve the Budget and initial expenditure for vertical extension of Academic Building approved in the General Council and recommended by the Finance Committee in its meeting dated	<p>A proposal for vertical extension of Academic Building and a New Hostel Building was approved in the 22nd Meeting of the General Council held on 27/02/2021 and the Vice Chancellor was asked to take necessary steps for implementation of the proposal. Accordingly, the PWD, West Bengal was asked to prepare the plan and expected expenditure for vertical extension of the present Academic Building. The PWD have submitted the Plan and the estimated expenditure for the proposed Academic Building for 17,85,74,258/- (Rupees seventeen crores eighty five lakh seventy four thousand two hundred fifty eight) only.</p> <p>The plan along with the estimate expenditure was placed before the Building Committee held on 05/05/2022. The matter was placed before the 120th Meeting of the Finance committee held on 17/06/2022 where it was decided to write to the Government of</p>	

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	17/06/2022	<p>West Bengal through Law Department to provide necessary fund as had been done in the present building.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for information, perusal and further directions if any</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>Matter is deferred till next offline meeting. Vice Chancellor is requested to submit a detailed note on the Expenditure to be borne from the Core Fund or Development Fund of the University. The Department of Law, Government of West Bengal be communicated regarding utilizing the recurring grant of the state government for this purpose.</p>	
8	<p>To consider applications of contractual staff and Library for engagement under Government of West Bengal Memo No. 1033-F(P2) dated</p>	<p>The University issued a letter to the Assistant Librarian, WBNUJS regarding Mr. Miraj Ali, Mr. Avijit Naskar, Mr. Shyam Sundar Roy and Security Guard namely Mr. Pradip Kumar Ghosh about consideration of their services as Attendants in the Library where they have prayed before the Registrar for such. A report about their performance, tenure, working capacity etc. was also asked from the Assistant Librarian.</p> <p>The said report has been provided by the Assistant Librarian where it is mentioned that the employees are outsourced Library Attendants and Library Security to accommodate extended working hours of the Library.</p>	

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	08/02/2019	<p>The Government Memo No. <u>1033-F(P2) dated 08/02/2019</u> has been attached as ready reference for remuneration in respect of no. of years worked continuously.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind perusal and directions.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>The Registrar is requested to collect the documents, supporting papers and declarations from the candidates. The Vice Chancellor is directed to place the recommended names after screening by a committee to be constituted as per regulations.</p>	
9	To Consider the Minutes of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)	<p>As per the new UGC and NAAC Guidelines the IQAC meeting was held on 18/04/2022 and accordingly the Minutes of the same was put up as Annexure for consideration and directions if any.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>Noted.</p>	
10	To consider Recommendation of the Vice	<p>The University likes to consider recommendation of the Vice Chancellor for appointment of distinguished Visiting Professors of the following persons as per the resolution of the 81st Meeting of the Executive</p>	

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Council held on 02/04/2022 :

Sr. No.	Name of the proposed visiting professor	Bio-Data
1	Prof. Khushal Vibhute	Annexure 10A
2	Prof. Ajar Rab	Annexure 10B
3	Prof. Amita Singh	Annexure 10C
4	Prof. G. S. Bajpai	Annexure 10D
5	Prof. Pulak Mishra	Annexure 10E
6	Prof. Umakant Varottil	Annexure 10F

The matter was submitted for kind perusal and directions

Resolution:

Resolved that the recommendation of the Vice Chancellor as appointment as Distinguished Professor for the following persons is approved.

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		Sr. No.	Name of the proposed visiting professor	Bio-Data	
		1	Prof. Khushal Vibhute	Annexure 10A	
		2	Prof. Ajar Rab	Annexure 10B	
		3	Prof. Amita Singh	Annexure 10C	
		4	Prof. G. S. Bajpai	Annexure 10D	
		5	Prof. Pulak Mishra	Annexure 10E	
		6	Prof. Umakant Varottil	Annexure 10F	
11	Prayer for Extension of Service Post Retirement	<p>Mr. Abhijit Nandi, Data Entry Operator, WBNUJS will be retiring on August 31, 2022 as per NUJS Regulation Part III [Chapter II, Section 8(3) & 12]. In this context, he have prayed for extension of his service post retirement from 1st September 2022 as the University do not have any pension scheme adopted and he has a physically abled child whose medical expenses is Rs. 12000/- per month.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind perusal and direction</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>The prayer is declined.</p>			

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12	Renewal of Guest Faculty Members	<p>The following Guest Faculty members will complete their tenure on 30th June 2022. Hence it was proposed to renew their contract for a period of one year from 1st July 2022.</p> <p>The faculty members are :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ms. Ankita Mookerjee2. Mr. Surja Kanta Baladhikari3. Mr. Rites Goel4. Ms. Darshana Mitra5. Dr. Jyotirmay Adhikary6. Dr. Jawaharlal Bhattacharjee <p>It is also to mention from the coming Academic Year the Guest Faculty will be remunerated on Lecture basis @ Rs. 1500/- only per hour as per the direction of the Executive Council Meeting held on 02/04/2022.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind perusal and approval.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>The services of the following Guest Faculties is renewed for another one year, up to 30/06/2023:</p> <p>Names of the Guest Faculties:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ms. Ankita Mookerjee2. Mr. Surja Kanta Baladhikari3. Mr. Rites Goel
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		<p>4. Ms. Darshana Mitra</p> <p>5. Dr. Jyotirmay Adhikary</p> <p>6. Dr. Jawaharlal Bhattacharjee</p>	
13	To discuss on the Order of the Hon'ble High Court regarding Online Courses	<p>The matter arises from the 61st Meeting of the Executive Council held on 12/05/2018 where the 32nd Meeting of the Academic Council has been ratified where the activities pertaining to the Distance Education & Online Courses were put on status quo except those which are purely University initiatives. Accordingly Notice was issued in the University Website for closure of such Courses dated 27/06/2018.</p> <p>In this regard the University received a prayer recently from the University appointed Lawyer, Mr. Pappu Adhikari (email dated 15/06/2022) regarding an Order of the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta namely MAT 479 of 2019 Vs. West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences & Ors. With MAT 492 of 2019 Ruchira Mitra & Ors. Vs. State of West Bengal & Ors. for our perusal and necessary action.</p> <p>The matter was submitted for kind perusal and information and directions for the next course of action.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>To be placed in next offline meeting with papers. Registrar is requested to place detailed note and relevant papers on the issues such as the number of students, number of courses and the relevant course in</p>	

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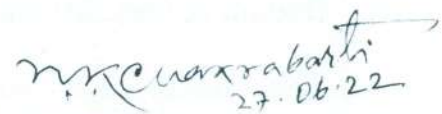
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		which the Appellant was also a student Vice Chancellor is also requested to submit the list of Certificate and Diploma courses which were run exclusively by the University and may be restarted from the next academic year.	
14	Any other matter with the permission of the Chair	NIL	

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.


Smt. Sikha Sen
(Registrar(Acting))

& Secretary


Prof. (Dr.) Nirmal Kanti Chakraborti
Vice Chancellor

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