

## MINUTES

of the consultative meeting of the Project Implementation Group (PIG) – DST PURSE – II Programme, held on **28.03.2016 (Monday) at 12:00 Noon** in the Dept. of Wildlife Sciences to review the status of utilization of grant released by the DST as 1<sup>st</sup> installment of PURSE Programme.

Following were present:

1. Prof. Asad Ullah Khan, Co-ordinator, Project Impl. Group
2. Prof. M. Altamush Siddiqui, D/o Mechanical Engg
3. Prof. Jamal Ahmed Khan, Dept. of Wildlife Sciences - Convener
4. Prof. M. Yunus Khalil Ansari, Dept. of Botany
5. Prof. (Mrs) Imrana Naseem, Dept. of Bio-Chemistry, F/o Life Science
6. Prof. Iqbal Parvez, Dept. of Zoology
7. Prof. Shabbir Ahmad, Dept. of Physics
8. Mrs. Moina Athar, Dept. of Petroleum Studies
9. Prof. Sarfaraz Ali Ansari, Dept. of Civil Engg
10. Prof. Mohd. Sarosh Umar, D/o. Computer Engg
11. Prof. Ameer Azam, Dept. of Applied Physics
12. Prof. Rifaqat Ali Khan Rao, Dept. of Applied Chemistry
13. Prof. Rizwan Hasan Khan, Interdisciplinary Biotechnology Unit

1. At the outset, the Chairman/representative of each of the participating departments apprised of the position of utilizations of funds which was found quite satisfactory as most of the departments have utilized more than 80% of the allocated grant.

14. The Co-ordinator informed the house that the meeting of the "PURSE Project Implementation Committee" has been fixed on 18.04.2016 (Monday) at 12:00 Noon which will be chaired by the Vice-Chancellor and there would also be a representative of DST. It was decided that all the Chairmen of the participating departments will prepare two or three slides, showing the progress of utilization of funds and submit it to the Co-ordinator on e-mail ([asad.k@rediffmail.com](mailto:asad.k@rediffmail.com)) by 10.04.2016 so that the Co-ordinator may compile it and make power point presentation before the "PURSE Project Implementation Committee" during its meeting on 18.4.2016.

15. The Convener apprised the house that the Dept. of Botany has not yet appointed Research Staff as there is difference of opinion as to what staff be appointed out of the option given by the P.I.G. As per directives of the Vice-Chancellor, the then Chairman convened a meeting of Board of Studies on 22.12.2015 to resolve the issue and the matter was put before the members for voting. Out of 28 members present in Board of Studies, 14 members voted for appointing four Jr. Research Fellow @ Rs.12,000/- per month each whereas 9 members walked out and 4 members did not agree with the decision. The then Chairman was with the majority decision. The Chairman communicated the decision of Board of Studies vide letter

No.1798/Bot dated 5.2.2016. As per decision of the Board of Studies, approval of the Vice-Chancellor was obtained and communicated vide letter No.F.6-5-EP/DS/88 dated 24.2.2016.

However, the present Chairman on a representation dated 02.03.2016 of eleven faculty members of Dept. of Botany that recording of minutes of Board of Studies was totally wrong, has observed that *“the statement given by the faculty members is correct as I was also present in the B.O.S. meeting. Therefore, I strongly recommended that the first advertisement i.e. one R.A. and two JRFs should be honored to resolve this problem”*.

In order to resolve the issue, a meeting was called by the Registrar at 10:30 A.M on 28.03.2016 in which senior most six Professors of Dept. of Botany, including present Chairman and his predecessor, were invited. The matter was deliberated for one and half hour but could not be resolved. It was then unanimously decided that the matter may be placed before the P.I.G. of DST PURSE. Accordingly, the matter was put before the house which unanimously decided that the Dept. of Botany may be allowed to appoint two Research Associate @ Rs.28,000/- per month and final approval of the Vice-Chancellor may also be obtained in this regard.

**Sd/-**

**(Jamal Ahmed Khan)  
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Convener – Project Impl. Group)**

Dated: .03.2016

No.F.6-5-EP/DS/

Copy to:

1. Prof. Asad Ullah Khan, Co-ordinator
16. Chairman, Dept. of Botany/Bio-Chemistry, F/o Life Science/Wildlife Sciences/Zoology/Physics/Chemistry/Petroleum Studies/Applied Chemistry/Civil Engg/Computer Engg/ Applied Physics/Mechanical Engg
17. Co-ordinator, Interdisciplinary Biotechnology Unit
18. Co-ordinator, University Sophisticated Instrument Facility
19. DFO (Grants)

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