

Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla

Minutes of 6th Meeting of Executive Council October 23, 2019

The 6th Meeting of the Executive Council, HPNLU Shimla was held on October 23, 2019 at 3:30 P.M. at the Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla campus. Meeting was presided by Professor (Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, HPNLU, Shimla. The following members were present:

1.	Professor (Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, HPNLU	Chairperson
2.	Secretary (Higher Education), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh	Member
3.	Secretary (Home), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh	Member
4.	Secretary (Finance), Govt. of Himachal Pradesh	Member
5.	Prof. Ranbir Singh, Vice Chancellor NLU Delhi	Member
6.	Prof. R.D. Sharma, Vice Chancellor, NOIDA International University	Member
7.	Prof. Usha Razdan	Member
	Dr. Girjesh Shukla, Associate Professor, HPNLU, Shimla	Member
8.	Sri Ramakant Sharma, Chairman, Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh	Member
9.	Prof. S.S. Jaswal, Registrar, HPNLU, Shimla	Secretary
		(Ex officio)



PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETINGS

	TROCES	EDINGS O	r THE MEETING			
Item No. 1	To confirm the Minu March 20, 2019.	tes of the 5	5th Meeting of the	Execu	ntive Council held on	
	Agenda Note	D	iscussion	L	Decision/Resolved	
of the 5 th Me along with the before the recouncil. Item No. 2	encellor placed the minutes eting of Executive Council, he 'Action Taken Report' nembers of the Executive To confirm the minutes of t 23, 2019.	explained minutes of presented Report'.	f last meeting, and the 'Action Taken	the m Action	brief deliberation over tinutes along with the n Taken Report, the were confirmed.	
	Agenda Note		Discussion	I	Decision/Resolved	
The 4th meeting of the Academic Council was held on October 23, 2019. As such the proceedings of the Academic Council were placed before the Executive Council for approval.			Vice Chancellor ned the details of minutes of the ng of the emic Council.	minute Counc unanii	es of the Academic cil were approved mously.	
Item No. 3	To confirm the minutes October 23, 2019.	s of the 3rd	Meeting of the F	inancia	al Committee, held on	
	Agenda Note		Discussion		Decision	
The meeting of the Finance Committee was h October 23, 2019. As such the proceedings of the Finance Comwere placed before the Executive Council approval.			The Vice Char explained the deta the minutes of meeting of Academic Counci	ails of the the		
	Item No. 4 To consider fixing of tenure of Samadhan Committee for Three Years.					
Agenda Note			Discussion		Decision	
Executive Co Pradesh Natio 2016) does no Committee. It is propose	hancellor apprised the measured that section 27 of onal Law University Act 20 t provides any tenure for the d to consider and fix the mmittee for three years.	Himachal 016 (16 of Samadhan	The Vice Chan informed the Country that there is no to fixed for the Sam Committee. The same be fixed to fairness and continuits functioning.	ouncil tenure adhan ame is bring	The members of the Executive Council agreed with the proposal and approved the same unanimously.	



Item No. 5	To consider the creation of follows better administration of the University		Ministerial posts for	
3	Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision	
creation of folloadministration Deputy Comput Comput Caretak Attenda Driver Conduct It is submitted University, the Administrative This item was	ttor-02 I that for the smooth running of the	The Vice Chancellor explained the need of creating proposed administrative and ministerial posts and appointments thereto. The members of the Council deliberated upon the agenda and agreed that post of the Deputy Librarian shall be appointed as per UGC Regulations, whereas other post may be filled as per the Himachal Pradesh Government Rules.	Council	
Item No. 6	To consider the approval of the C	ommon Seal of the Unive	ersity.	
	Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision	
Executive Cour Pradesh Nation University shall "Himachal Property and may so shall be comperty, both contract and topurposes of this And as per Section 19 and 20 a	ncellor apprised the members of the ncil that as per Section 3 of Himachal hal Law University Act, 2016, "the l be a body corporate by the name of radesh National Law University, a perpetual succession and a common sue or be sued by the said name and etent to acquire, hold and dispose of movable and immovable and to to do all things necessary for the Act".	The Vice Chancellor explained the need of creating common seal for the University. The same is required under the Himachal Pradesh National Law University Act, 2016 also. The members of the Council were shown the specimen of the common seal.	The Executive Council unanimously approved the common seal of the University.	



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It is proposed to approve the specimen of the Common					
Seal, as attached, for approval o			f the Council.		
Item No. 7	To cons	nsider the proposed "The Himachal Pradesh National Law University,			
	Discipli	line Regulations, 2019"			
Agenda N	ote	I	Discussion		Decision
	intaining		Vice Chancellor explained the		detailed deliberation on
discipline with			ils about the "The Himachal		Himachal Pradesh National
Campus/hostels			desh National Law University,	ŀ	niversity, Discipline
University,	these		ipline Regulations, 2019" and		ations, 2019", the Executive
Regulations has			rmed the Council that the	Counci	il unanimously approved the
framed and place		-	ulation were urgently required	same.	
the Council			maintaining better discipline in		
consideration	and		University Campus as well as		
approval.		the l	University Hostels.		
Item No. 8	To consi	ider t	he proposed "The Himachal I	Pradesh	National Law University,
			tions, 2019"		
Agenda	Note		Discussion		Decision
For maintainir	ig disci	pline	The Vice Chancellor appraised the		After a detailed
within the Cam	pus/hostel	s of	of members of the Executive Council that		deliberation on "The
the Univers		hese	se The Himachal Pradesh National		Himachal Pradesh
Regulations have	e been fra	med	d Law University, Hostel Regulations,		National Law University,
and placed before	re the Cor	uncil	2019 are required for main		Hostel Regulations,
for consideration	and appro	val.	l. discipline within the Campus/hostels of		2019", the Executive
			the University.		Council unanimously
					approved the same.
Item No. 9	To consid	ler th	e report of One-Member Com	mitted	of Prof. S.M. Afzal Oadri
			the Executive Council in its me		
Agenda No	te		Discussion		Decision
The report of One- Wi		With the permission of the members of the		The members of the	
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		Executive Council the Vice Chancellor open the report and read it for the members present.			executive Council decided-
			Vice Chancellor also informe		ucciucu-
Executive Counci			ers that four other representation		1. That Dr. Deepika
meeting held or				- 1	Gautam is eligible for the
			en received from the faculty members which mentioned in the items no. 10 & 11, so the		post of Assistant Professor
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			no to be in the light	or tile	



before the Executive Council.

representations mentioned under the agenda item 10 & 11.

The members of the Executive Council deliberated upon the terms of reference to the Committee one by one.

- 1. Regarding the eligibility of Dr. Deepika Gautam, who is holding the Degree of M.Com. and not MBA, it was discussed that Commerce is an allied subject of management, so the question of rigid eligibility should be ignored.
- 2. There was thorough deliberation on the issue of eligibility of Dr. Amit Chaturvedi. As the records speak, he is having Master of Science (Criminology) Degree and also UGC-NET in Criminology. The Post advertised was of Sociology for which the eligibility qualification is Post Graduation as well as UGC-NET in Sociology. The members discussed the humanitarian aspects as well as technicalities of the matter, and it was considered to allow him to teach the subject of Criminology in UG and PG Courses and to enable him to have the complete workload, administrative additional responsibility/ies be given to him. It was also discussed to allow him to continue teaching sociology till the post of Assistant professor in sociology is filled up by following the proper procedure for appointment.
- 3. The issue relating to seniority amongst the faculty members was discussed in the light of the fresh representation of Mr. Chanchal Kumar Singh and Mr. Santosh Kumar Shamra, as referred under item No. 10. There were thorough deliberations on the issue. The nuances of the issue were discussed referring to the advertisement dated September 2016, earlier Executive Council decisions dated December 29, 2017 and Executive Council

teaching the Course of B.B.A. LL.B. (Hons.)

- **2.** that Dr. Amit Chaturvedi-
- (a) May continue as
 Assistant Professor
 teaching Criminology
 Courses, and to adjust his
 workload, he may be
 assigned other
 administrative works.
- (b) The Post of Assistant Professor in Sociology be advertised and the faculty be appointed as per the UGC Regulations.
- (c) Until the post of Assistant Professor, Sociology is filled, Dr. Amit Chaturvedi may be permitted to continue teaching Sociology.
- **3.** After detailed deliberations, the Executive Council unanimously resolved:
- (a) The seniority of the teachers must be considered from the date of confirmation.
- (b) Those employed on contractual basis cannot be confirmed retrospectively thereby adversely affecting the seniority of teachers appointed on regular basis.



decision dated March 20, 2019, report of Prof. S.M. Afzal Oadri and the representations stated above. After going into the depth of the service jurisprudence, it was discussed that the contractual appointees cannot be made senior As far as the to the regular appointees. question of confirmation of contractual teachers with retrospective effect, members considered the principle retropsectivity in the light of Supreme Court judgments that retrospective effect can be given but, by giving retrospective effect, the right which has already been accrued, cannot be taken away. The members put the record straight by considering the facts chronological order. The appointments on contract basis were made in October 2016. The regular appointments were made in July 2017. In the meeting of Executive Council on 29th December 2017, the teachers, who were appointed on contractual basis in October 2016, were confirmed. They were not placed on probation. The members agreed that this retrospective confirmation of the teachers appointed on contractual basis had divested the teachers appointed on regular basis, of their vested rights of seniority being the regular appointees.

4. The members considered the representation made by Ms. Navditya Tanwar and Mr. Hari Chand relating to the financial benefits in the light of the Executive Council resolution dated December 29, 2017, the report of Prof. S.M. Afzal Qadri, and the fresh representations made by Ms. Navditya Tanwar and Mr. Hari Chand.

The members after deliberations agreed with the resolution of Executive Council dated December 29, 2017 and the report of Prof. S.M. Afzal Qadri, they unanimously decided (c) Accordingly, the confirmation of contractual employees have to be prospective and not retrospective in nature.

It was also resolved to issue letters of confirmations to the faculty members accordingly.

4. The Executive Council unanimously resolved not to give financial benefits from the back date.



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Item No. 10

To consider the representations of Mr. Chanchal Kumar Singh and Mr. Santosh Kumar Sharma regarding determining the seniority among the faculty members. [Annexure-VII]

Discussion

The issue relating to seniority amongst the

Agenda Note

It is submitted that the issue of determination of seniority amongst—the—faculty members was placed before the—Executive—Council meeting held on 20th March, 2019. This issue, along with some—other—issues, was referred to a one member committee of Prof. S.M. Afzal Oadri.

As the report of committee was to be placed before Executive the Council for its consideration. so no response could be given earlier the representations made above mentioned faculty members. They have submitted representations again which are placed for consideration of Executive Council.

faculty members was discussed in the light of the fresh representation of Mr. Chanchal Kumar Singh and Mr. Santosh Kumar Shamra, as referred under item No. 10. There were thorough deliberations on the issue. The nuances of the were discussed referring advertisement dated, earlier Executive Council decisions dated December 29, 2017 and Executive Council decision dated March 20. 2019, report of Prof. S.M. Afzal Oadri and the representations stated above. After going into the depth of the service jurisprudence, it was discussed that the contractual appointees cannot be made senior to the regular appointees. As far as the question of confirmation of contractual teachers with retrospective effect, the members considered the principle of retropsectivity in the light of Supreme Court judgments that retrospective effect can be given but, by giving retrospective effect, the right which has already been accrued, cannot be taken away. The members put the record straight by considering facts in chronological order. appointments on contract basis were made in October 2016. The regular appointments were made in July 2017. In the meeting of Executive Council on 29th December 2017, the teachers, who were appointed on contractual basis in October 2016, were confirmed. They were not placed on probation. The members agreed that this retrospective confirmation of the teachers

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Decision

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- (c) Accordingly, the confirmation of contractual employees have to be prospective and not retrospective in nature.

It was also resolved to issue letters of confirmations to the faculty members accordingly.



		vested rights appointees.	of senio	ority being the regula	r
Item No. 11	To consider the representations made by Ms. Navditya Tanwar and Mr. F Chand regarding the financial benefits and increments from the date of join				
Agen	da Note		D	iscussion	Decision
placed before the Executive Council in its 5th meeting. This issue, along with some other issues, was referred to a one member committee of Prof. S.M. Afzal Qadri. As the report of the committee was to be placed before the Executive Council for its consideration, so no response could be given to the earlier representations made by above mentioned faculty members. They have submitted representations		ther one resolution report of the fresh rep Tanwar a tits onse clier ove they tons for the back	made by Ms. Navditya Tanwar and Mr. Council Hari Chand relating to the financial benefits in the light of the Executive Council resolution dated December 29, 2017, the financial		fr. Council unanimously resolved not to give financial benefits from the back date. ed cil of ly
Item No. 12	To consider University.	and authorize	Vice-Ch	ancellor to modify the	list of Holidays for the
	Agenda No	ote		Discussion	Decision
The Vice Chancellor informed the mem Executive Council that, keeping in mind academic and other urgencies, Vice Chancel be authorized to amend/modify the approved holiday.			certain lor may	The members agree with the proposal.	The Executive Council unanimously approved the proposal.
Item No. 13 To consider the case of confirmation of Mr. Arun Kumar, Assistant Librarian, HPNLU, Shimla.					, Assistant Librarian,
A	Agenda Note			Discussion	Decision
Mr. Arun Kumar was appointed as Assistant Librarian <i>via</i> letter No. HPNLU/Admn./2017-782 dated 11 th July,				ce Chancellor apprised uncil members about	The Executive Council unanimously



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July, 2017 (a for the above	ed as Assistant Librarian on 14 th orenoon). His probation period post is already completed. His orted for consideration and	Assistant Librarian.	approved the proposal.
Item No. 14	To consider the demand o	f the students for appointment of	independent wardens
	instead of giving additions	al duty of warden to the teachers	S.
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	Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision
The Vice Ch	Agenda Note ancellor submitted before the		
		Discussion	Decision
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liability University. It also needs mention that at present, the university hostels are being run in the 10 private accommodations. Only one Girls hostel is expected to be completed by February 2020.

These facts show the extent of financial liability on the University.

The members were also apprised that in almost all the Universities in the country including NLUs, the teachers have been performing the duties of wardens as additional duty. Such system has better administrative and disciplinary control over the students.

shall continue to function as wardens.

Item No. 15 To authorize the Vice Chancellor for appointing Professor/s by Invitation on contractual basis with prior approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor.

Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision
It is proposed to authorize the Vice	The Vice Chancellor	After a brief deliberation, the
Chancellor for appointing Professor/s	explained to the members	members of the Council
by Invitation on contractual basis for	of the Executive Council	unanimously resolved to
a period of six months or more subject	that the presence and	authorise the Vice Chancellor to



to the condition that	it may be
extended up to the age	of 70 years,
with prior approval of	the Hon'ble
Chancellor.	

The person so appointed shall be entitled for the same remuneration as reflected in his/her last drawn salary.

contribution of senior faculty makes a difference in the academic environment of the University.

appoint Professor/s
(serving/retired professor) by
invitation on contractual basis
for a period of six months or
more and which may be
extended up to the age of 70
years. Such appointment shall
subject to post facto approval of
Executive Council.

Item No. 16

To consider the requirement of receiving financial aid or required infrastructural facility/construction of any block through corporate social responsibility by public/private sector corporation/agency.

Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision
The Vice Chancellor informed the Council that for the University is not receiving any state grant for the further development of the University Infrastructure. For this purposes, University is approaching various corporations/companies to provide financial assistance in terms of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR).	The members of the Council were further informed that the University sent a proposal under the mandate of CSR to SJVN Ltd for either financial assistance for construction of Hostel or getting the hostel constructed by their own agency for HPNLU.	The Executive Council appreciated the efforts of the Chancellor as well the Vice Chancellor with respect to CSR, and recommended that the University must write a letter of appreciation to SJVN Ltd.
In this regard, the University may be authorized to approach the Corporations/Companies for the requirement of receiving financial aid or through corporate social responsibility.	Mr. Ramakant, Chairperson Bar Council of Himachal Pradesh and member of Executive Council informed that he was pursuing the case of University under the CSR with NTPC.	It was also recommended to send proposal NTPC under CSR mandate. The agenda item is approved accordingly.

Item No. 17

To consider the demand of student to constitute Student Body.

Agenda Note	Discussion	Decision
The Vice Chancellor	The Members of the Executive Council	In view of the discussion
informed the Executive	deliberated on the agenda item while	it was resolved to defer
Council that Students have	perusing the demand of the student, as	the matter for the next
demanded creation of	attached in the agenda. They suggested that	meeting where the
'student body'.	University may ask the students to submit	proposal, as discussed,
	proper proposal for constituting 'Student	
	Body', and the same may be examined as	





		per the exist National Law		t bodies in other es.	may be place and considered.
Item No. 18			Report of the Universelved before the G	versity for the Academic eneral Council.	
A	genda Note			Discussion	Decision
			the membabout t	Chancellor apprise bers of the Counc he progress an ents of the University	il approved and d recommended to be
Item No. 19		Reporting	Item/s		
	Agenda	Note		Discussion	Decision
1. With the permission of Hon'ble Couniversity changed its address. Previous Address Present Address Himachal Pradesh National Law University Shimla, P.O. Shakrah, Sub-Tehsil, Dhami District Shimla, Himachal Pradesh-171011 Ph. 0177-2779802, 0177-2779803, Fax:0177-2779802 Website:http://hpnlu.ac.in		TIONAL ERSITY, LA-DNAL IANDAL MLA, 014. Ph. 0177-	change in the address of the University at the reporting ite was according approved. The members all appreciated giving additional charge the faculty members as it was necessary as to facilitate it smooth functioning of the University.	were approved unanimously. so and to be a second t	
 The following faculty members have been given additional charge(s) provided as under: Dr. Girjesh Shukla - Dean Academic Affairs Dr. Alok Kumar - Dean Students Welfare Mr. Chanchal Kumar Singh - Controller of Examinations Mr. Digvijay Singh Katoch - Finance Officer 			reporting item w approved. The members agree that the change in the cha	ed he nd as	



3. The size (height and width) of the logo of University has been changed to increase the clarity	
Spl. Secretary (Higher Education, HP Government)	SPI Secretary (Home, HP Government)
Secretary (Finance, HP Government)	Prof. Ranbir Singh (Vice Chancellor XLU Delhi)
Prof. Usha Razdan Vi	Prof. R.D. Sharma ice Chancellor, NOIDA International University
Dr. Girjesh Shukla HPNLU, Shimla	Srr Ramakant Sharma Chairman, Bar Council, HP
Prof. S.S. Jaswal Registrar, HPNLU, Shimla	
Professo	or (Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal,
	Chancellor, HPNLU
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Secretary (Finance, HP Government)	Prof. Ranbir Si (Vice Chancellor M	ngh LU Delhi)	
Prof. Usha Razdan Vio	Prof. R.D. Share Chancellor, NOIDA Inte		
Dr. Girjesh Shukla HPNLU, Shimla	Sri Ramakant S Chairman, Bar Cou		
Prof. S.S. Jaswal Registrar, HPNLU, Shimla			
	(Dr.) Nishtha Jaswal,	,	
Vice-C	hancellor, HPNLU	*****	