

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING OF KVASU CONVENED ON 14TH  
NOVEMBER 2012 AT LIAISON OFFICE, PATTOM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

*Venue: KVASU Liaison Office, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram (11.00 AM)*

**Members present:**

1. Dr. B. Ashok, IAS, Vice Chancellor
2. Dr. K.P. Sreekumar, Registrar
3. Dr. A. Jalaludeen, Director of Academics and Research
4. Dr. Ramkumar S., Director of Entrepreneurship
5. Dr. H. Subramanian, Dean, CVAS, Mannuthy
6. Dr. P. Rajendra Kumar, Dean, CDST, Mannuthy
7. Dr. K. G. Suma, Director, Department of Animal Husbandry
8. Mrs. Sarojini, K. T., Director, Department of Dairy Development
9. Dr. P.I. Geevarhese, Professor, CDST
10. Dr. K.C. Raghavan, Director, CAS in Animal Genetics and Breeding
11. Dr. K.A. Mercey, Professor and Head, Department of Statistics
12. Dr. K. Narayanakutty, Director, CAS in Poultry Science
13. Dr. P. Kuttynarayan, Professor & Head, Livestock Products Technology

The meeting was chaired by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr.B.Ashok, IAS. He welcomed the members and requested the Director, Academics and Research (DAR) to present the agenda items.

The minutes of the Special Academic Council Meeting of KVASU held on 8<sup>th</sup> June 2012 at Liaison Office of KVASU, Pattom, Thiruvananthapuram, along with the action taken report was approved.

**REPORTING**

- I. *Whether the Academic Council would ratify the action of the Hon. Vice Chancellor in having increased the number of Ph.D seats in the disciplines of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology and Livestock Production and Management from one to two for the Academic year 2012-13 in anticipation of approval by the Academic Council.*

Decision: Ratified.

- II. *Whether the Academic Council would ratify the action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor in having granted permission for the conduct of repeat courses of the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester in Diploma in Dairy Science simultaneously with the ongoing 3<sup>rd</sup> semester and also for the conduct of first year comprehensive examination of the failed students immediately after the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> semester on successful completion of all failed courses, in anticipation of approval by the Academic Council.*

Decision: Ratified.

**A. AGENDA ITEMS**



- I. *Whether the Academic Council would sanction extension of one more semester to the three B.V. Sc. & A.H. students of 2003 Batch.*

Decision: Approved.

- II. *Whether the Academic Council would grant extension of one more semester to Dr. Asha N Vincent (2009-13-131) to join her MVSc Programme.*

Decision: Approved.

- III. *Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal to start P G Diploma in Office Management for Graduates.*

Decision: Approved in principle.

The syllabus, budget and the relevant information may be placed in the next Board of Studies and be placed in the Academic Council meeting scheduled to be held in the month of January 2013. Dr. John Abraham, CVAS, Pookode is identified as the Course Director.

A sub-committee is constituted with Director (Academics and Research) as Chairman, Director (Entrepreneurship), Deans of Colleges and Finance Officer as members and Professor (Research Coordination), CVAS, Mannuthy as member convener to look into all aspects of new courses, to explore the possibility of starting new courses, fee structure of all courses and suggest suitable modifications in the above aspects. The Committee will meet every quarter and report its recommendations to the next Academic Council meeting.

- IV. *Whether the Academic Council would approve starting of Livestock-Agri-Entrepreneurship and food security Management (PGD in LEFM)*

Decision 1: Approved in principle.

Referred to the Board of Studies for examining the syllabus in detail.

- V. *Whether the Academic Council would approve starting of Post graduate Diploma Programme in Farm Journalism (PGDFJ)*

Decision: Approved in principle.

Referred to the Board of Studies for examining the syllabus in detail.

- VI. *Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal for the formation of Advisory Board for the KVASU-CWS.*

Approved with the following observations.

Decision 1: Include Dean, CVAS, Pookode as a member

Decision 2: University/ Station level members may be shown as ex-officio members.

- VII. *Whether the Academic Council would approve the 11 (eleven) proposals*

*Item (1: Amendments suggested in the Academic regulation for MS programme 2011.*



Decision: Approved.

*Item (2): Modification in the eligibility for admission to MS in Quality system in Dairy Processing.*

Decision: Approved.

*Item (3): Amendment in the title, prospectus, Curriculum and Budget of MS Applied Biochemistry for the academic year 2013-14.*

Decision: Approved.

*Item (4): Amendments in the title, Prospectus, Curriculum and Budget of MS Applied Microbiology for the academic year 2013-14.*

Decision: Approved.

*Item (5): Approval of the amendments is the prospectus of MS Biostatistics.*

Decision: Approved.

*Item (6): Approval for starting certificate course on Animal Husbandry at CVAS,  
Mannuthy*

Decision: Approved.

*Item (7): Starting new MS Programme in Animal Sciences.*

Decision: Approved.

The honorarium for Faculty members shall be as per the norms followed in other MS/ Diploma courses as approved by the Board of Studies.

*Item (8): Retain the original Certificate of the qualifying examination of a candidate who secures admission to any academic programme of the University until the student clear all the dues and liabilities to the KVASU.*

Decision: Approved.

Bond to be executed has to be modified to that extent.

*Item (9): Proposal to include Dr.C.K.K.Nair, Dean of Research, Pushpagiri Medical College and Research Institute, Thiruvalla as an additional member in the advisory committee of Dr. Susannah Biji Philip (11MVM 29).*

Decision: Approved.

*Item (10): Reverted back the decision of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Academic Council in bifurcating the Diploma Programme in Dairy Science and allowed to operate as a single programme with 50% of student for open candidates and 50% for in service candidates from Dairy Development Department, Government of Kerala.*



*Decision: Approved in principle.*

For administrative reasons admission for deputed candidates and regular students may be done separately. The Course Director may be given freedom for the conduct of the course economically and efficiently in consultation with Dean of the Faculty.

*Item (11): Conduct of Livestock Production Management paper II, Board Examination of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year BVSc & AH by the Department of Poultry Science.*

*Decision: Approved.*

VIII. *Whether the Academic Council would approve the 20 Ph.D Synopsis of College of Veterinary and Animal Science, Mannuthy.*

*Item (1): Single nucleotide polymorphism of production associated loci in crossbred cattle of Kerala*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (2): Management of anoestrus in crossbred heifers and cows by hormonal induction of oestrus.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (3): Prevalence of gastro-intestinal strongylosis in cattle and identification of immunogenic proteins.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (4): Climatic adaptation and stress evaluation of crossbred cattle of Kerala.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (5): Molecular studies on myeloid antimicrobial peptides in buffalo (*Bubalus bubalis*).*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (6): Standardization of multiplex PCR and ELISA as a diagnostic protocol for the bacterial abortions in ruminants.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (7): Clinico-therapeutic studies and experimental evaluation of a bacterin against common bacterial isolate of bovine mastitis.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (8): Development of improved diagnostics for detection of bovine intestinal schistosomiasis.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (9): Molecular and immunohistochemical studies on tumours of the nasal sinuses in domestic animals.*

*Decision: Approved.*



*Item (10): Efficacy of antimicrobial peptides from Lactic acid bacteria against selected mastitic bacterial pathogens*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (11): Development of a meat line of Kuttanad ducks (Anas platyrhynchos domesticus).*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (12): Developmental pattern of the pancreas in Kuttanad ducks (Anas platyrhynchos domesticus).*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (13): Developmental pattern of the respiratory system in Kuttanad ducks (Anas platyrhynchos domesticus).*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (14): Diagnosis and management of mitral valve insufficiency in dogs.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (15): Cellular and molecular response to bioscaffold grafts in a rat abdominal regeneration model.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (16): Antitumor properties of Annona muricata and Curculigo orchoides on induced mammary tumours in mice.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (17): Economics of dairy farming systems in Kerala.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (18): Development of an Information Technology based advisory system on scientific management of pet dogs*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (19): Development and evaluation of functional chicken nugget.*

*Decision: Approved.*

*Item (20): Development and characterization of bioscaffolds from abattoir byproducts.*

*Decision: Approved.*

#### IX. Outside Agenda

- a. Outside Agenda-1: *Whether the Academic Council would approve the creation of two seats under supernumerary quota in B.V.Sc & A.H. and D.Sc. & Tech. courses from the academic year 2013-14 for admitting students from the State of Jammu & Kashmir as requested by UGC.*



*Decision: Approved.*

- b. Outside Agenda-2: *Whether the Academic Council would approve the amendments made in Clause 31.5 and Clause 31.10.*

Clause 31.5 is amended as "The proposal for conduct of comprehensive viva-voce examination in Acad. form No.23a should be submitted after evaluation of the theory component. For Doctorate degree programme, the viva-voce examination shall be conducted by the Advisory Committee with external examiner appointed by the University. For Masters Degree programme, the viva-voce examination shall be conducted by the Advisory Committee."

Clause 31.10 is amended as "Comprehensive examination shall be conducted preferable six months before the expected date of submission of thesis."

*Decision: Approved.*

- c. Outside Agenda-3: *Whether the Academic Council would approve the resolution to streamline the procedure for answer paper evaluation of the B. Tech. (Dairy Science and Technology) courses to avoid delay in publishing results.*

*Decision:* In case of emergency, if the Dean and the Director (A&R) are convinced, the answer sheets may be send to the examiners through secured special messenger.

- d. Outside Agenda-4: *Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal to offer one-year diploma and Post-Graduate Diploma (PGD)/ Certificate programmes in print and web journalism, broadcast/ Television journalism or multimedia journalism with special emphasis to farm media.*

*Decision:* Approved in principle. The Board of Studies to determine the syllabus etc. The proposals for the above programmes shall be moved through the Course Directors nominated by the Vice Chancellor.

- e. Outside Agenda-5: *Whether the Academic Council would approve the proposal to establish a Centre for Livestock Development and Policy Research as an autonomous institution under Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University and approve the proposed Board of Governance and Board of Studies.*

*Decision:* Approved in principle. The Board of Studies to determine the programme syllabus and details of programmes.

- f. Outside Agenda-6: *Matters concerning students from second batch onwards of the MS wildlife studies programme*

*Decision:* Matters may be placed in a Special meeting of Board of Studies of Wildlife Studies and executed with its concurrence.

#### Other Decisions

1. Professor (RC) may be entrusted the task of developing international web page and a meaningful international Post Graduate brochure with course outline. Sufficient copies of the document may be send to the Secretary, Foreign Affairs, Government of India for onward transmission to all Indian embassies and concerned officials abroad.



- ✓ 2. Decided to constitute a committee with Director of Animal Husbandry as Chairman, Director (A&R) and a faculty from LPM as members to study the feasibility of starting a course for Plus Two students in Veterinary Science Diploma using existing Livestock Management Training Centres (LMTCs) and University Centres with reference to the Venkateswara Veterinary University, Thirupati pattern.
- ✓ 3. All computer aided courses may be designated as Technology Enabled Learning formally.
4. All MS/ Diploma courses now offered from KVASU may be renamed as University Post Graduate/ Diploma Courses.
5. Decided to institute a student online feedback system for all lectures and practicals in the University and weekly feed back with comments of the Head of Department and Dean to teachers in a month. The feedback system of Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration, Mussoorie, may be studied if necessary. A software may be developed for the purpose and the reports may be controlled for access at a Managerial level.

The meeting came to an end at 01.30 pm.

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Vice Chancellor