

MINUTES

The Finance Committee (FC) met on Wednesday, the 22nd May, 2019 at 11.30 a.m. in the Vice-Chancellor Committee Room to consider the recommendations of the Arbitration Committee and other agenda items. The meeting was attended by the following:

Professor Yogesh Kumar Tyagi Vice-Chancellor	Chairman
Professor J. P. Khurana Pro-Vice Chancellor	Member
Shri T. S Kripanidhi Treasurer	Convener
Shri Subodh Ghildiyal Director (CU), MHRD	Member (Visitor's Nominee)
Shri Fazal Mahmood Dy. Secretary (Finance), MHRD	Member (Visitor's Nominee)
Shri. Rajpal Singh Pawar	Member (Elected)
Dr. V.K. Agrawal	Member (Elected)
Shri Anupam Srivastava University Engineer	Invitee
Shri T. Vengadesan Finance Officer	Invitee
Professor T. K. Das Registrar	Secretary

Smt. Darshana M. Dabral, Jt. Secretary and Financial Advisor, MHRD could not attend the meeting. Shri Fazal Mahmood, Dy. Secretary (Finance), Deptt. of Higher Education, MHRD attended the meeting on behalf of Smt. Darshana M. Dabral, Jt. Secretary and Financial Advisor, MHRD.

Shri Girish C. Hosur, Jt. Secretary (CU), MHRD could not attend the meeting. Shri Subodh Ghildiyal, Director, Deptt. of Higher Education, MHRD attended the meeting on behalf of Shri Girish C. Hosur, Jt. Secretary (CU), MHRD.

Shri Gaurav Anand, Assistant Registrar (Finance - II), Sh. Rajender Singh, Executive Engineer, Sh. Jagbir Singh, Asstt. Engineer, and Sh. R. S. Brar, Section Officer, Budget Section assisted the Committee in its deliberations.

At the outset, the Vice-Chancellor, Chairman of the Finance Committee, welcomed the members and invitees.

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The agenda items were taken up one by one for consideration.

1. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7th MARCH, 2019**

- 1.1 Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on 7.03.2019 were circulated to all the members. After a brief discussion, it was decided to amend the minutes in respect of Agenda Item No. 7.2 stating that the estimates of the projects may be first got vetted by the CPWD and thereafter be placed before the FC.
- 1.2 In the item No. 2.2 of ATR, it was deliberated that a specific observation/comments on revision of contractual fee/remuneration may be sought from the UGC/
- 1.3 The minutes of the previous Finance Committee meeting held on 7th March, 2019 were confirmed with the above modification.

2. **TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ARBITRATION COMMITTEE**

Case - 1 Arbitration award in connection with providing & laying IAAF approved Synthetic Athletic Track Surface ("FULL PUR") cast-in-situ including base work complete in North Campus, University of Delhi (CWG-2010 Project)

The Committee noted the concurrence given by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports vide letter dated 9.4.2019 for making the payment and also the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi dated 21.5.2019 directing the payment to be made within five days. In view of the concurrence of the M/o Youth Affairs and Sports, the Committee recommended to release the payment of Rs.4.12 crore to M/s. SSPL and the remaining disputed amount of Rs.2.30 crore to be deposited in the Registry of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi.

The Committee also recommended to release arbitration charges of Rs.4,91,718/-. The above amounts should be released from the CWG Grant released by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

Case - 2 Arbitration award in connection with providing & fixing seating system for Common Wealth Games - 2010 at North Campus, Delhi University (CWG-2010 Project)

The Committee noted the concurrence given by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports vide letter dated 9.4.2019. In view of the concurrence, the Committee recommended to release the payment of Rs.50,22,468/- to M/s. SSPL as verified by M/s. EIL (PMC) and arbitration charges of Rs.5,47,500/- as recommended by the Arbitration Committee.

The above amounts should be released from the CWG Grant released by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

Case - 3 Arbitration award in connection with construction of Hostel and Flats at Dhaka Complex

The Committee noted the concurrence for making the payment given by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region vide letter dated 18.3.2019 and 28.3.2019 respectively. The Committee also noted the observations made by the UGC vide letter dated 10.5.2019. In view of the above concurrence, the Finance Committee recommended to pay Rs.1,52,18,073/- as verified by M/s. RITES (PMC) to M/s. Ahluwalia Contractors in order to avoid any further penal interest. The Finance Committee also recommended to pay arbitration charges of Rs.4,00,000/- as recommended by the Arbitration Committee.

The Finance Committee also noted that the award has been challenged by M/s. RITES for the interest part of arbitration award. The matter may therefore be pursued by the University in this regard.

The above amounts should be released from the grant released by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.

Case - 4 Arbitration award in connection with construction of 200 boys' hostel, warden flats and servant quarters in the Campus of International Students Hostel

The FC considered the recommendations of the Arbitration Committee to make the payment of Rs.31,90,129/- to M/s. Sunita Construction.

The Committee noted the order of Additional District Judge (Central) - 12, THC dated 10.5.2019. The Committee also noted the D.O. letters dated 9.5.2019 and 15.5.2019 written to the UGC for sanction of grant for payment of arbitration award. The Committee suggested to take up the matter with the UGC to make the payment out of allocation of Rs.3.0 crore provided under 'Campus Development'.

Case - 5 Arbitration award in connection with construction of 64-C and 16-D type flats in Reids Lines, University of Delhi (Contract dated 22.3.1984)

The FC considered the recommendations of the Arbitration Committee to release award amount to M/s. Sunita Construction. The Committee also noted the letters dated 9.5.2019 and 15.5.2019 written to the UGC for sanction of grant for payment of arbitration award. The Committee suggested to take up the matter with the UGC to make the payment out of allocation amounting to Rs.3.0 crore provided under 'Campus Development'.

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3 TO REPORT THE LETTER F.NO. 19-5/2003 (CU) VOL.IV DATED 30.3.2019 RECEIVED FROM MS. KULVINDER KAUR, UNDER SECRETARY, UGC AND LETTER F.NO. 4-41/2014 DESK (U) DATED 29.3.2019 RECEIVED FROM SH. S.K. BISWAS, UNDER SECRETARY, GOVT. OF INDIA, MHRD, DEPTT. OF HIGHER EDUCATION, DESK (CU) - II REGARDING RELEASE OF PENSION BENEFITS IN RESPECT OF EMPLOYEES - WHO HAVE OPTED PENSION SCHEME FROM 1989 TO 1998 AND HAVE RETIRED AFTER THE JUDGEMENT OF HIGH COURT OF DELHI AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE TASK FORCE.

3.1 A letter F.No.19-5/2003 (CU) Vol. IV dated 30.3.2019 received from Ms. Kulvinder Kaur, Under Secretary, UGC and letter F. No. 4-41/2014 Desk (U) dated 29.3.2019 received from Sh. S.K. Biswas, Under Secretary, Govt. of India, MHRD, Deptt. of Higher Education, Desk (CU) - II regarding release of pension benefits in respect of employees - who have opted pension scheme from 1989 to 1998 and have retired after the judgement of High Court of Delhi and recommendations of the Task Force was reported and recorded. The Finance Committee recommended to implement the directives issued by UGC/MHRD.

4 TO REPORT LETTER NO. 1-4/2017-U-II DATED 19.3.2019 FROM MHRD REGARDING REVISION OF ALLOWANCES OF TEACHERS, EQUIVALENT ACADEMIC STAFF, REGISTRAR, DEPUTY REGISTRAR, ASSISTANT REGISTRAR, FINANCE OFFICER, DY. FINANCE OFFICER, ASSISTANT FINANCE OFFICER, CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATION, DY. CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATION AND ASSISTANT CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATION IN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AS PER RECOMMENDATIONS OF 7TH CPC.

4.1 Letter No. 1-4/2017-U-II dated 19.3.2019 from MHRD regarding revision of allowances of teachers, equivalent academic staff, Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Assistant Registrar, Finance Officer, Dy. Finance Officer, Assistant Finance Officer, Controller of Examination, Dy. Controller of Examination and Assistant Controller of Examination in Universities and Colleges as per recommendations of 7th CPC was reported and recorded.

5.0 ANY OTHER ITEM

5.1 Comments of the MHRD, Department of Higher Education, (Integrated Finance Division) received from Ms. Kiran Arora, Under Secretary on the agenda items vide letter dated 21st May, 2019 were placed before the committee and noted.

5.2 Comments of the MHRD, Department of Higher Education, (CU) received from Sh. S.K. Biswas, Under Secretary on the agenda items vide letter dated 21st May, 2019 were placed before the committee and noted.

5.3 A copy of the Court Order (No.259/2018 & IA No. 7444/2019) of the High Court of Delhi and Order of the Addl. District Judge (Central) Ex No.5824/18 was placed before the committee and noted.

- 5.4 A letter D.O. No. 11-1/2017 (CU) dated 13.5.2019 regarding revision of allowances of the non-teaching employees of the Central Universities (CUs) under the administrative control of MHRD as per recommendations of 7th CPC was placed before the committee and was noted.
6. With regard to Arbitration Cases, the representatives of MHRD again advised the University to look into these cases and fix responsibility. It was informed that the University has already constituted a three member Committee to examine the lapses which resulted in arbitration and fix the responsibility against the concerned officials and submit its report within two months. The finding of this Committee and action taken thereon be reported in the Finance Committee meeting. Further, the representatives of MHRD also advised that the University should make all out efforts for waiver of payment of interest in connection with arbitration awards.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.


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CHAIRMAN