



VISVA-BHARATI
SANTINIKETAN

Proceedings of the meeting of the Committee chaired by the Hon'ble Upacharya to consider the applications / proposals for (i) Travel Grant (ii) Conference / Seminar / Workshop etc. (iii) Publication (iv) Appointment of Visiting Professors & Fellows (v) Day Care Centre (vi) Basic Facilities of Women (vii) Faculty Development Programme (FDP) and (viii) Establishment of Career and Counseling Cell, held on 13th January, 2019 at 10.30 a.m. in the Conference Room of Central Office, Visva-Bharati.

Members Present:

1. Upacharya	-Chairman
2. Finance Officer	-Member
3. Adhyaksha, Bhasha-Bhavana	-Member
4. Adhyaksha, Siksha-Bhavana	-Member
5. Adhyaksha, Palli Samgathana Vibhaga	-Member
6. Adhyaksha, Sangit-Bhavana	-Member
7. Joint Registrar, Development	-Member
8. Joint Registrar, Establishment	-Member
9. Section Officer, Development	-Member
10. Joint Registrar, Administration	-Member Secretary

Officials present:

1. Sri Utpal Hazra, Assistant Registrar, Meeting Section & General Section
2. Smt. Alpana Kundu, Senior Assistant, General Section

Joint Registrar (Accounts) who was an invitee could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, Hon'ble Upacharya, being the Chairman of the Committee, welcomed all the members to the meeting.

1. Before taking up the proposals for consideration, Joint Registrar (Administration) apprised the Committee, with due permission of the Chairman, that in terms of the communication made by U.G.C. vide its letter with F.No. 57-2/2018 (CU) dated 31st August, 2018, the University has been provided with an amount of Rs. 53.40 lakh for 8 schemes namely (i) Travel Grant (ii) Conference / Seminar / Workshop etc. (iii) Publication (iv) Appointment of Visiting Professors & Fellows (v) Day Care Centre (vi) Basic Facilities of Women (vii) Faculty Development Programme (FDP) and (viii) Establishment of Career and Counseling Cell, under recurring head for the financial year 2018-2019.

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2. In its 1st meeting of the current financial year 2018-2019, dated 23.07.2018, the committee had made allocations on the basis of the Budget Estimates for 2018-2019 prepared by the Finance Office wherein a total amount of Rs. 65 lakh was provided for only 3 items viz no. (i), (ii) and (iv) at para 1. above. It was readjusted by the committee in that meeting to include the item no. (iii) also at the instance of the then Finance Officer and the revised availability was stated to be as follows :

(i) Travel Grant	Rs. 27.00 lakh
(ii) Conference/Seminars/Symposia/Workshops etc.	Rs. 27.00 lakh
(iii) Publication Grant	Rs. 6.00 lakh
(iv) Visiting Professor	Rs. 5.00 lakh

3. On being reported by the then Finance Officer about the communication of UGC's aforementioned letter dated 31.08.2018 in its 2nd meeting held on 08.12.2018, the Committee had requested the then Finance Officer to ascertain the actual availability of fund out of the total amount Rs. 53.40 lakh sanctioned by U.G.C. for 8 schemes. In his note dated 17.12.2018, the then Finance Officer had communicated the following revised allocations keeping in view the XII plan guidelines:

(i) Travel Grant	Rs. 12.00 lakh
(ii) Conference/Seminar/Symposia etc.	Rs. 07.00 lakh
(iii) Publication Grant	Rs. 07.00 lakh
(iv) Visiting Professor	Rs. 06.00 lakh
(v) Day Care Centre	Rs. 00.00 lakh
(vi) Basic Facilities of Women	Rs. 06.00 lakh
(vii) Faculty Development Programme (FDP)	Rs. 14.50 lakh
(viii) Establishment of Career and Counselling Cell	Rs. 01.00 lakh

The Joint Registrar (Administration) further reported that considering the allocations that have already been made in the 1st meeting dated 23.07.2018 of the committee vis-a-vis the revised allocations as per Finance Officer's note dated 17.12.2018, the actual availability of funds becomes as follows:

(i) Travel Grant	Rs. 07.00 lakh
(ii) Conference/Seminar/Symposia etc.	(-) Rs. 06.20 lakh
(iii) Publication Grant	Rs. 06.06 lakh
(iv) Visiting Professor	Rs. 06.00 lakh
(v) Day Care Centre	Rs. 00.00 lakh
(vi) Basic Facilities of Women	Rs. 06.00 lakh
(vii) Faculty Development Programme(FDP)	Rs. 14.50 lakh
(viii) Establishment of Career and Counselling Cell	Rs. 01.00 lakh

4. The Committee, after detailed discussions on the availability of funds, scope reallocation of fund etc., recommended, that the University shall approach U.G.C. seeking concurrence for internal reallocation of fund keeping in view the relative demands of various schemes and resolved that the Committee shall not take up any proposal for granting assistance towards the scheme of "Conference/ Seminar/ Symposia etc." till the response from U.G.C. regarding reallocation of fund is not received. The Finance Officer of the University was requested to write to U.G.C. in this regard.

5. The Committee then proceeded to consider the proposals/applications as received in respect of the other schemes under which sufficient funds are available, and recommended the following:

A. Travel Grant (within India) for the year 2018-2019:

Sl.No	Name, Designation, Department	Title of the Conference/ Seminar/ Workshop	Venue & Date	Recommendation of the Committee
1.	Dr. Rup Kumar Kar Dept. of Botany Siksha-Bhavana	4 th International Plant Physiology Congress 2018	National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow, U.P. 2 nd to 5 th December, 2018	Not exceeding Rs. 10,000/- subject to submission of participation certificate
2.	Dr. Narottam Dey Dept. of Biotechnology Siksha-Bhavana	International Plant Physiology Congress	CSIR National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow, U.P. 2 nd to 5 th December, 2018	- Do -
3.	Dr. Chowdhury Habibur Rahaman Dept. of Botany Siksha-Bhavana	XXVIII Annual Conference of Indian Association for Angiosperm Taxonomy and International Symposium	Dept. of Botany, M.S. University of Baroda, Vadodara, Gujarat 29 th to 31 st October, 2018	Not exceeding Rs. 10,000/- subject to submission of participation certificate
4.	Dr. Wasif Ahmad Dept. of Arabic, Persian, Urdu & Islamic Studies Bhasha-Bhavana	79 th session of the Indian History Congress	One University, Pune, Maharashtra From 28 th to 30 th December, 2018	-Do-
5.	Dr. Tanuka Das Dept. of English Bhasha-Bhavana	National Seminar on 'Literature of the Marginalized'	Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh From 4 th & 5 th September, 2018	-Do-
6.	Prof. Subrata Mondal Dept. of Botany Siksha-Bhavana	National Symposium on Current Trends and Prospects in Plant Science Research	Centre of Advanced Study in Botany Institute of Science, BHU, Varanasi From 1 st February to 3 rd February, 2019	-Do-
7.	Dr. Premangshu Chakrabarty Dept. of Geography Vidya-Bhavana	Golden Annual Conference of Regional Science Association of India (RSAI)	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh From 20 th to 22 nd February, 2019	-Do-

B. Travel Grant (Abroad) for the year 2018-2019:

Sl.No	Name, Designation, Department	Title of the Conference/ Seminar / Workshop	Venue & Date	Recommendation of the Committee
1.	Dr. Rakesh Kundu Dept. of Zoology Siksha-Bhavana	18 th International Congress of Endocrinology/53 rd SEMDA Congress 2018	Cape Town, South Africa From 1 st to 4 th December, 2018	One way economy class air fare & US\$ 150 as incidental expenses, subject to submission of details in prescribed format.
2.	Prof. Sisir Kumar Sahana Dept. of Design Kala-Bhavana	Biros International Art Painting Workshop	Cairo, Egypt From 11 th to 21 st October, 2018	One way economy class air fare & US\$ 150 as incidental expenses
3.	Prof. Swapan Mandal Dept. of Physics Siksha-Bhavana	8 th International Conference on Mathematics and Information Sciences	Zewail City of Science and Technology, Cairo, Egypt From 8 th to 10 th February, 2019	-Do-

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C. Publication Grant for the year 2018-2019:

It was decided by the Committee that the proposals for publication of books/thesis etc., as received so far from faculty members till the date of the meeting, including two pending proposals, shall be referred to the existing Screening Committee for scrutinizing the same in line with the guidelines of the XII Plan General Development Assistance. The Screening Committee shall submit its recommendations on the proposals for publication purpose for consideration of the Committee in its next meeting which is likely to be held soon. The Screening Committee shall suggest a list of reputed and recognized publishers for publication purpose. The faculty members willing to publish books/thesis etc. under this scheme shall have to publish the same either from those publishers or from Granthana Vibhaga, Visva-Bharati as may be recommended by the Screening Committee.

D. Visiting Professor/Fellows for the year 2018-2019:

Sl. No.	Name of the proposed Dept.	Name and Address of the proposed Visiting Professor/ Fellows	Age as on date	Recommendation of the Committee
1.	Head, Dept. of Rabindra Sangit, Dance & Drama Sangit-Bhavana	Chempakathinal Scaria Biju, Associate Professor, Research Centre of English, St. Thomas' College, Trissur, Kerala, India-680001	48 yrs.	Approved as visiting Fellow subject to submission of details in format.
2.	Head, Dept. of Rabindra Sangit, Dance & Drama Sangit-Bhavana	Guru Sadanm Balakrishnan, Kathakali Artist & Guru 'Videham', P.O. Kuttikkol, Via Taliparamba, Dist: Kannur, Kerala-670141	74 yrs.	Not recommended due to over age as per U.G.C. norms.
3.	Prof. Nilanjan Chakraborty, Coordinator CMELLCS, Bhasha-Bhavana	Smt. Basabi Pal, Associate Professor of French, Chandernagore College, Hoogly	59+ yrs.	Approved as Visiting Fellow
4.	Prof. R.N. Mishra, Dept. of Hindi Bhasha-Bhavana	Prof. T. Oranskaya		Approved as visiting Fellow subject to submission of details in format.
5.	In-charge Centre for Journalism & Mass Communication Vidya-Bhavana	Dr. Kalinga Senaviratne, 441 Balestier Road #03-02, Singapore 329820	64+ yrs	Approved as Visiting Fellow
6.	Head, Dept. of Odia Bhasha-Bhavana	Prof. D.P. Pattanayak, B 1580/1989, Bhakta Madhu Nagar Gandamunda, Bhubaneswar-751030	87 yrs	Not recommended due to over age as per U.G.C. norms
7.	Head, Dept. of Odia Bhasha-Bhavana	Sri Manoj Das, Sri Aurobindo Ashram, Pondicherry	85 yrs	Not recommended due to over age as per U.G.C. norms

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E. Ratification of Action Taken Report:

All Action Taken Reports (4 nos.) have been ratified by the Committee.

F. Miscellaneous:

The Committee recommended for induction/inclusion of all other Principals of Bhavanas (including Patha-Bhavana and Siksha-Satra), Registrar and Joint Registrar (Accounts) as members of this Committee with immediate effect. The Chairman suggested holding meetings of the Committee at least once in every 3/4 months henceforth.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

8/11/25.01.2019
Joint Registrar (Administration)
Visva-Bharati

A.K. Singh
25/01/2019