

Minutes of the meeting of the first Court of Central University of Jammu held on 15-04-2013 at 10.30 AM in the PWD Guest House, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu.

**Present:**

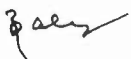
1. Shri N.N. Vohra,  
Hon'ble Governor, J&K,  
Chancellor, Central University of Jammu.
2. Dr. S.S. Bloeria,  
Vice Chancellor,  
Central University of Jammu.
3. Gen. N.C. Vij,  
Former Chief of the Army Staff,  
H.No.4500, Sector-23-A,  
Palam Vihar, Gurgaon (Haryana)
4. Prof. Abdul Wahid,  
Vice Chancellor,  
Central University of Kashmir,  
Near G.B. Pant Hospital, Sonawar,  
Srinagar-190004.
5. Prof. Mohan Paul Singh Ishar,  
Vice Chancellor,  
University of Jammu,  
Jammu.
6. Shri B.S. Baswan, IAS (Retd.)  
Former Secretary,  
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7. Shri Naseem Ahmed, IAS (Retd.)  
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Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine,  
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9. Prof. V.K. Jain,  
Vice Chancellor,  
Doon University,  
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P.O. Ajabpur, Dehradun.
10. Dr. Baldev Raj,  
Director, Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research,  
Kalpakkam, 3-H, May Flower, Metropolis,  
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Main Road, Sowripalayam,  
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11. Prof. M.K. Surappa,  
Director,  
Indian Institute of Technology Ropar,  
Nangal Road, Rupnagar, Punjab.
12. Sh. Sidharath Kak,  
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Founder Trustee,  
Surabhi Foundation,  
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13. Prof. K.L. Chopra,  
Former Director, IIT Kharagpur,  
& Padma Bhushan awardee,  
M-70, Kirti Nagar,  
New Delhi-110015.
14. Shri Masood Samoon, IAS (Retd.)  
Member,  
J&K Public Service Commission,  
Resham Ghar Colony, Jammu.
15. Prof. Champa Sharma,  
Founder, Head of the P.G. Department of Dogri  
& Sahitya Akademi Awardee in Dogri-2006  
H.No.65, Sector-2, Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.-110012.
16. Shri Kashmiri Lal Zakir,  
Deputy Chairman,  
Haryana Urdu Akademi,  
H.No.367, Sector 44-A,  
Chandigarh-160047.
17. Dr. Madhu Purnima Kishwar,  
Senior Fellow,  
Centre for Study of Developing Societies,  
29, Rajpur Road,  
Civil Lines, Delhi-110054.
18. Prof. Bharati Baveja,  
Dean, Faculty of Education,  
Delhi University,  
C-11, Maurice Nagar,  
Delhi-110007.
19. Prof. R. Vaidyanathan,  
Professor of Finance,  
Indian Institute of Management,  
Bangalore-560076.



20. Prof. Rajinder Jeet Hans Gill,  
Professor in Mathematics,  
Punjab University, Chandigarh,  
House No.1611, Sector-44 B,  
Chandigarh-160047.
21. Prof. Mohammad Fida Hassnain,  
Former Director,  
Archives and Libraries, J&K Govt.,  
(a noted scholar and historian)  
32, Dastgir Villa, Umar Enclave,  
Parry Pora Bhagat P.O. Sanat Nagar,  
Srinagar-190005. Kashmir.
22. Prof. Jigar Mohammad,  
Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences,  
University of Jammu,  
Jammu.
23. Prof. Harjeet Sehgal,  
Chairman,  
Department of Zoology,  
Punjab Agriculture University,  
Ludhiana-141004.
24. Dr. P.S. Pathania,  
OSD (Administration)  
Central University of Jammu.
25. Sh. H.K. Prashar  
OSD (Finance)  
Central University of Jammu,  
(attended the meeting as Special Invitee)



The following members could not attend the meeting and were granted leave of absence.

1. Prof. Siddiq Wahid,  
Former Vice Chancellor,  
Islamic University of Science & Technology, Srinagar,  
R/o Ladakh House, Mughal Lane,  
Zukra, P.O. Naseem Bagh, Srinagar-190006.
2. Dr. Shrikant Paranjpe,  
Professor,  
Department of Defence & Strategic Studies,  
University of Pune, PUNE-411007.
3. Prof. S.C. Saxena,  
Vice Chancellor (A),  
Jaypee Institute of Information Technology,  
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Noida-201307. (U.P)
4. Dr. Girish Sahni,  
Director,  
Indian Institute of Microbial Technology,  
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5. Pandit Shiv Kumar Sharma,  
Padma Vibushan,  
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Mumbai-400050 (Maharashtra)
6. Shri Haseeb Drabu,  
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HICON Residency, 26<sup>th</sup> Road,  
Bandra West, Mumbai-50



7. Prof. Surendra Parsad,  
Department of Electrical Engineering,  
Indian Institute of Technology (IIT),  
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8. Prof. Sikander Farooq,  
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Quyum Colony,  
Rawalpura, Srinagar-190005.

(i) At the outset Dr. S.S. Bloeria, Vice Chancellor, extended a hearty welcome to the members on the first meeting of the first Court (constituted by Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) on 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2012) and especially expressed his gratitude to the outstation members who graced this meeting. He made a brief presentation to the Court about the genesis of the Central University of Jammu and informed that, along with other twelve Central Universities, the Central University of Jammu and Kashmir was established by an Act of Parliament on 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2009. Subsequently, the Central University of Jammu came into being by the Central Universities (Amendment) Act 2009 on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2009. The University became functional only on 8<sup>th</sup> August, 2011 with the joining of the first Vice Chancellor, two and half years later than the establishment of other new Central Universities. Consequently this led to the delay in the constitution of various bodies of the University and that is the reason for the first meeting of the Court having been delayed. The Vice Chancellor elaborated the functions and powers of the Court and informed that these are encompassed in the scope and mandate of section 20 (2) of the Act which, inter alia, includes:

1. "to review, from time to time, the broad policies and programmes of the University, and to suggest measures for the improvement and development of the University".



2. "to consider and pass resolutions on the Annual Report and the Annual Accounts of the University and the audit report on such accounts".

(ii) The Vice Chancellor dwelled upon the broad policies of the University and noting that this august gathering was our "Friend, Guide and Philosopher", he welcomed suggestions from the distinguished members for developing the Central University of Jammu as an institution of excellence, from the very inception. He also thanked Court members, some of whom had visited the Temporary Academic Block-II and the proposed site of the Campus. He requested all the members who had not visited the aforesaid sites to kindly do so the next day, or at any other time convenient to them.

(iii) This was followed by members of the court introducing themselves. The Vice Chancellor then requested the Hon'ble Chancellor for his opening remarks and guidance. Welcoming the distinguished members of the first Court, the Hon'ble Chancellor said that though he could not visit the site of the University Campus, he has seen the architectural design of the Campus and the Vice Chancellor Dr. S.S. Bloeria, had briefed him about the envisaged plans to put in place various components of the University on ground and the overall requirements in terms of infrastructure, recruitment, academic programmes, general areas of focus, and the matters of concern regarding the development of the University.

(iv) The Hon'ble Chancellor emphasized the importance of developing the CUJ as a Centre of Excellence in Teaching and Research with focus on ethical and moral values, in consonance with our glorious pluralistic ethos, to produce mature and balanced personalities who would successfully meet the current and emerging challenges and also contribute to Nation building.

(v) The Hon'ble Chancellor mentioned that the Court comprised a very distinguished group of professionals and experts drawn from varied arenas



of expertise, who would provide invaluable advice and guidance regarding the approaches to be followed in establishing the University on a sound footing and developing it as a Centre of Excellence in teaching and research. He further suggested that in the initial years the Court could, perhaps, meet at least twice a year, till the University gets fully established so that we could benefit from the wisdom, knowledge and expertise of the members of the Court in shaping its infrastructure, logistics, courses to be introduced and other essential features.

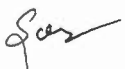
(vi) The Hon'ble Chancellor observed that, while establishing various buildings and structures in the campus, all requisite measures should be taken for harnessing solar energy and systematic conservation of water resources.

Thereafter, the items of the Agenda were taken up for the discussion.

#### **ITEM No. 1**

**To consider report of the Vice Chancellor about the development activities since inception of the University.**

1.1 The Vice Chancellor made a power point presentation to bring out the action taken in regard to the establishment of Campus and commencement of teaching and other activities. He highlighted and explained the Logo, Vision and Mission of the University, followed by comments on the profile and sequence of important dates and events of the University. He apprised that, presently, the University is operating from hired accommodations located at Mahamaya Crossing, Narwal Bye Pass Road, which is called Temporary Academic Block-I (TAB-I); the Sainik Colony Extension termed as Temporary Academic Block-II (TAB-II); and the Administrative Office housed at 8/8 Trikuta Nagar, Jammu.





1.2 In respect of Academic activities, the Vice Chancellor stated that presently, during Session 2012-13, eight Post-Graduate programmes and four Research programmes are being run in the University and it is proposed to start four more Integrated M.Phil-Ph.D. programmes during the academic session 2013-14.

1.3 As regards infrastructural development the Vice Chancellor highlighted the issues pertaining to the State Government's required support to the University: supply of water, electricity and road connectivity. He also expressed the hope that the earmarked land measuring 4880 kanals at Village Bagla, Tehsil & District Samba would be handed over to the CUJ within the next two months. The Vice Chancellor further informed the Court that Engineering Projects India Limited, a GOI Undertaking (EPIL) has been finalised as PMC (Project Management Consultancy) and M/s Sikka Associates have been engaged as Architects for funding the Master Plan and designing the phase wise growth of Campus Development.

1.4 After presentation of report by the Vice Chancellor, the Hon'ble Chancellor invited the members of the Court to share their vision and suggestions regarding the future development of CUJ. Salient observations made by the members are summarised below:

- **Dr. Madhu Purnima Kishwar** suggested that such education should be imparted as encourages self created learning and highlighted the importance of Folk, Art, Music and documentary scripts in Indian languages to prepare the human resource. She also emphasized the need to establish a centre in CUJ for translation of native and local languages as also a centre for the study of Religions, Cultures and Languages. Attending to the mindset of the general public of identifying a "job" as implying only government employment, she emphasised the need to introduce an outreach programme of traditional activities with an in-built element of entrepreneurship development.



- **Sh. Sidharath Kak** was of the opinion that establishment of the CUJ was an opportunity for the people to contribute to the cross fertilization of thoughts for development of the University as a wholesome institution. Courses should be tailored to meet the aspirations of the people and should be "experiential". He also recommended engagement of a Consultant for preparing a 15 year perspective plan of the University.
- **Prof. Champa Sharma** stated that the translation of valuable books will also help in retrieving books from the archives, which have not been put to any use for many years. Hence there is need to set up a Centre for Transliteration.
- **Shri B.S. Baswan** emphasized the need to introduce those courses which are in demand and are society-driven.
- **Gen. N.C. Vij** highlighted the need for teaching of courses in Disaster Management in the University, which would create awareness among the students and prepare them to respond to disasters as a part of community responsibility.
- **Prof. V.K. Jain** emphasized the importance of pursuing a sustainable development approach and providing for inter-disciplinary courses. Course contents should include core area studies and provide for learning in disciplines which are relevant to the society.
- **Prof. M.P.S. Ishar** said that integrated M.Phil-Ph.D programme may not be relevant in view of the introduction of compulsory course work before admission to the Ph.D programme. Similarly, National Security Studies is an area which does not make the students employable whereas it allows admission for students whose essential interest is to remain on the Campus.



- **Prof. Bharati Baveja** asked for introduction of courses in Education, Social Development, Education Planning and Technical Education as also to establish a dialogue between Sciences, Social Sciences and Society. She laid particular emphasis on a good mix of conventional and new subjects, with a focus on interdisciplinary studies.
- **Dr. K.L. Chopra** suggested the development of Campus on a basis which provides for balanced growth and sustainability in all its aspects. Teachers should provide for learning sets (in which the teacher acts as mentor) and remain interactive with the students. Core courses and the interdisciplinary courses which are provided should prepare the students for entrepreneurship development, utilizing expertise of the faculty in teaching and learning. The methodology in delivery should focus on Education, Science and Technology. Development of ICT is important for knowledge exploration. He also suggested the creation of a Corpus Fund for attracting donations from prospective benefactors of the University.
- **Shri Naseem Ahmed** observed that the development of a University/ Institution was like nurturing a sapling. In view of the challenging and critical role to be played in bringing it up, the developmental planning needs to be given serious thought. The University should also prepare students for Civil Services examinations, including students from socially deprived sections of the society.
- **Shri Kashmiri Lal Zakir** welcomed the development of CUJ in the region and hoped that it would develop into an excellent institution of higher learning. He stressed the need for inculcating moral and ethical values amongst the students of the University and recommended these to be made part of the curriculum.
- **Prof. R. Vaidyanathan** was of the opinion that Management and Social Science subjects be integrated for teaching. Adequate Guest faculty from outside should be involved in the specific fields at regular intervals.



- **Prof. Abdul Wahid**, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Kashmir, appreciated the work done by the VC in establishing the infrastructure and starting eight Post Graduate and four Research Degree Programmes in less than two years and hoped that the CUJ would attend to the recruitment of teaching and non-teaching staff on regular basis, for the permanent set up of the Institution.
- **Prof. Jigar Mohammad** emphasized the need for focused attention to the entire Humanities Studies sector.
- **Prof. Harjeet Sehgal** suggested that the curriculum contents should be framed in a manner which defines the major/minor supportive content of various subjects without lowering the importance of the core/elective subjects. He also recommended starting of Journalism courses.
- **Dr. Baldev Raj** described associating with CUJ as an opportunity for meeting the aspirations of each of the members, in their respective fields, together with the responsibility to foster this growing institution. He suggested the constitution of a small Committee of two to three members which would deliberate on the varied aspects of the University functioning and also identify experts of national and international repute who would agree to visit CUJ for variable periods to enrich the Academic programmes of the University.
- **Prof. Rajinder Jeet Hans Gill** appreciated the progress made by the University in a very short span of time and suggested further modernization of courses with emphasis on inter-disciplinary interactions and an eye on the employability potential.

Hon'ble Chancellor, concluding the discussion, thanked the distinguished members of the Court and urged the Vice Chancellor, Dr. S. S. Bloeria, for setting up a group of experts for integrating the valuable

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suggestions made by the members. While stressing the need for sustainable development, he impressed upon the University to provide for utilising solar energy and, besides, constructing check dams for rain water harvesting. He –re-iterated the importance of developing systems for recycling of resources for securing a self-reliant and environment-friendly functioning of the Campus.

1.5 The Court resolved that a report be placed on record, incorporating the foregoing suggestions and comments offered by the members.

**Item No. 2**

**To consider the Annual Report for the year 2011-12.**

2. Resolved that action taken by the Vice Chancellor in having submitted the Annual Report to the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, for placing the same before the Parliament, as confirmed by the Executive Council, be approved.

**Item No. 3**

**To consider the Annual Accounts along with Audit Report for the year 2011-12.**

3. Resolved that the Annual Accounts and the Audit Report submitted to the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, to be laid before the Parliament, be approved.

**Item No. 4**

**To consider the Budget Estimates for the year 2013-14 and Revised Estimates for the year 2012-13.**

4. Resolved that Budget Estimates (2013-14) and Revised Estimates



(2012-13), as recommended by the Finance Committee and accepted by the Executive Council, be approved.

**Item No. 5**

**To consider the nomination of a person to the Finance Committee by the Court.**


5. Resolved that Sh. B.B. Vyas, IAS, Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, J&K State, be nominated as member of the Finance Committee of Central University of Jammu.

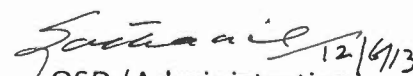
**Item No. 6**

**To consider fixation of date for next meeting of the Court.**

6. Resolved that the Vice Chancellor be authorized to fix the date of next meeting of the Court in consultation with the Hon'ble Chancellor.

Meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

  
Vice Chancellor 12/6/13  
Central University of Jammu

  
OSD (Administration) 12/6/13  
Central University of Jammu