

GROUP I – ITEMS WHICH NEEDED APPROVAL

EC:05:01	The Chairperson calls the House to order
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Minutes:

5.01.1 The Chairperson called the House to order.

EC.05:02	Obituary Reference
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Agenda Note:

The death of the following eminent personalities was brought before the house with deep sense of grief.

- I . Shri Pemba Thondup, Retired Director, IPR and Special Officer to the Chief Minister.
- II . Shri Tamding Dorjee Tenzing, Inspector General of Police, Government of Sikkim.
- III . Shri P.B. Chakraborty, Retired Teacher of Tashi Namgyal Academy, Gangtok.
- IV . Shri S.K. Rai, First Lok Sabha Member from the State of Sikkim.
- V . Shri Jyoti Basu, Former Chief Minister of West Bengal,
- VI . Dr. Dorjee, Noted Physician, STNM Hospital, Gangtok

Minutes:

5.02.1 The House noted with deep sense of grief of the passing away of the eminent personalities mentioned above and observed two minutes silence as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

EC:05:03	Performance Highlights by Vice-Chancellor
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Minutes:

5.03.1 The House noted a comprehensive presentation made by the Vice-Chancellor on the progress made by University in various fronts and placed its appreciation on records for the achievements made by the University.

5.03.2 The Hon'ble Members of the House made the following observations:

5.03.3 The University shall duly ensure the admission of students both from Sikkim and other places as this is a national University.

5.03.4 The University shall keep close interaction with the affiliated colleges. It should not be a mechanical linkage between the University and Colleges. It should also ensure greater exposures to the colleges.

5.03.6 The University shall also consider planning for cross-migration of students to other Universities and also to Sikkim University through means like credit transfer etc.

5.03.7 It would be necessary for the university to ensure that it gets adequate number of students for all its courses

5.03.8 The University shall give utmost preference for recruitment of teaching and non-teaching staff on regular basis at the earliest.

5.03.9 To the above, the Chairperson replied that all the suggestions and viewpoints of the Hon'ble Members will be duly considered. He has also mentioned that in the course of next two or three years the University will have a good mix of local and non-local students in its rolls.

EC:05:04	Confirmation of the Minutes of the last meeting of the Executive Council held on 12.11.2009
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Minutes:

5.04.1 The Minutes of the last meeting of the Executive Council held on 12.11.2009 circulated among was confirmed by the House.

EC:05:05	Action Taken Report on the minutes of the last meeting of the Executive Council held on 12.11.2009
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Minutes:

5.05.1 The Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the last meeting held on 12.11.2009 has been accepted by the House.

EC:05:06	Amendment to Ordinance on Examination
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Minutes:

5.06.1 While approving the amendment to the Ordinance on Examination, the House made the following corrections in Clause 05.13 (5) and Clause 05.13. (5) (b) which are “highlighted” below.

5.06.2 Amendment to Clause 05.13

Following sub-clauses will be inserted¹

Clause 05.13 (5) “Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing sub-clauses, the University shall give relaxation in class attendance to deserving students **as outlined in Clause 5 (a) (c)** so that they shall not fall short of mandatory 75% attendance in each course required in order to become eligible to appear in the End Semester Examination;

¹ The sub-clauses have been drafted duly considering the recommendations of the Academic Council in the meeting held on 13.02.2010

Clause 05.13 (5) (b) For participation in sports meet, youth festivals, seminar, symposia, drama & music competitions or any other co- curricular and extra - curricular activities, approved by the Vice- Chancellor from time to time and on case to case basis at the state, district and inter-college levels the students shall be given ½ of the attendance for the period of absence from the College/Institute/University **duly authorised**. The period of absence shall not exceed 7 days at a stretch for any single event and 15 days in the entire semester.

EC:05:07	Report of Inspection Committee - Pakim Palatine College
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Minutes:

5.07.1 The House considered the agenda item in detail. Considering the position depicted in the Inspection Report, the House suggested that the University may consider that there shall be no further intake in Microbiology and Chemistry in 2010-2011. The House suggested that the issue shall be viewed as to whether the college would be capable of handling the new courses applied for. It was also mentioned that the colleges cannot function as mere coaching centers and conveyor belts.

5.07.2 As regards the suggestion of the Academic Council that the University shall have separate Ordinance for Self-Financing Colleges the House suggested that the item may be referred back to the Academic Council for detailed suggestions.

5.07.3 It was decided that the issue may be considered in detail after the receipt of the Report of Inspection of the second committee which would visit the college in the month of May 2010.

EC: 05:08	Report of Inspection Committee - Government College, Rhenock
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Minutes:

5.08.1 The House considered the agenda item in detail. As regards the Report of the Inspection Committee the House had taken note of the same and decided to review the position with the Report of Second Inspection Committee to be deputed in the month of May 2010.

EC: 05:09	Report of Inspection Committee - Damber Singh College
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Minutes:

5.09.1 The House considered in detail the Report of Inspection Committee of Damber Singh College and taken note of it. It was decided to review the position with the Report of Second Inspection Committee to be deputed in the month of May 2010.

EC: 05:10	Report of Inspection Committee - Namchi Government College
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Minutes:

5.10.1 The House considered in detail of the Report of Inspection Committee of Namchi Government College and taken note of it. It was decided to review the position with the Report of Second Inspection Committee to be deputed in the month of May 2010.

EC: 05:11	Report of Inspection Committee - Government B.Ed. College, Soreng
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Minutes:

5.11.1 The House considered in detail of the Report of Inspection Committee of Government B.Ed College, Soreng and taken note of it. It was decided to review the

position with the Report of Second Inspection Committee to be deputed in the month of May 2010.

5.11.2 The House inter-alia suggested that it shall be ensured by the University that at least minimum teaching infrastructure facilities shall be in place, faculty recruitment strictly on the basis of the NCTE norms and the college shall also put in place model teacher training programmes.

EC: 05:12	Payment Norms for Conduct of University Examination
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Minutes:

5.12.1 The House considered the agenda item. The House enquired whether proposed norms were at par with those followed by other Universities and the Chairperson replied to this in affirmative. The House suggested that while engaging Superintendents to invigilate the examination the University must ensure that they should not belong to the college which they invigilate.

5.12.2 With the above suggestions the House approved the agenda item.

EC: 05:13	Amendment to First Ordinance on arranging for, conducting and superintending of examinations – Provisions for Ensuring Discipline among Students in Relation to the University Examination
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Minutes:

5.13.1 The House considered the agenda and enquired whether the term “Unfair” means includes mass copying also to which the Controller of Examination answered in affirmative. The House considered that in the Ordinance the “unfair means” has been extensively defined.

5.13.2 The House thereafter approved the amendment proposed.

EC: 05:14	Ordinance on the medium of Instruction and Examination
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Minutes:

5.14.1 The House noted that on this item a revised agenda has been tabled. The revised agenda was considered in detail by the House and same was approved.

EC: 05:15	Sikkim University Health Care Scheme (SUHC)
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Minutes:

5.15.1 The House considered the agenda item. The House also desired that the premium calculation working furnished in the agenda shall be clear and to be confirmed by the Insurance company. Regarding keeping the corpus fund with Sikkim Manipal Hospital the House instructed the University should keep a separate account for this. It was also opined that the SU students also be encouraged for voluntary blood donation to Sikkim Manipal Hospital. The House also enquired whether master health check-up facility is available with Sikkim Manipal Hospital for which the details will be obtained.

5.15.2 The House approved the proposal for implementation from 1.4.2010 and also desired that the same may also be informed to the Finance Committee.

EC: 05:16	Acquisition of Land at Gangtok
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Minutes:

5.16.1 The House considered the agenda item and suggested that the Land Purchase Committee may be expanded with members from Central Public Works Department, National Building Construction Corporation, Geological Survey of India etc to make its functioning more productive. The House also considered the approximate price the land would cost and directed the University to write to Ministry of Human Resource Development for provision of Funds.

EC: 05:17	Amendment to Primary Statute of Sikkim University Act – Vice Chancellor
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Minutes:

5.17.1 The House considered the agenda item approved the amendment proposed with slight modifications. The modified portion is highlighted.

Proposed Section 2 (4).

The Vice-Chancellor shall hold office for a term of five years from the date on which she/he enters upon her/his office, or until she/he attains the age of seventy years, whichever is earlier. She/He shall be eligible for re-appointment for another term until she/he attains the age of seventy years.

EC: 05:18	Revised Ordinance on Financial assistance to students
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Minutes:

5.18.1 The House approved the Revised Ordinance placed on the table.

EC: 05:19	Affiliation of Colleges for the year 2010-11
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Minutes:

5.19.1 The House approved the Agenda Item placed before it for granting of provisional affiliation to the colleges for one more year viz. 2010-11 subject to fulfillment of all the required conditions laid down.

GROUP II – ITEMS WHICH NEEDED RATIFICATION

EC: 05:20	Annual Report for 2008-09
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Minutes:

5.20.1 The House ratified the Action Taken by the Vice-Chancellor in submitting the Annual Report for 2008-09 to the Ministry of Human Resource Development.

EC: 05:21	Appointment of Controller of Examinations
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Minutes:

5.21.1 The House ratified the appointment of Dr. Srikant Mohapatra as Controller of Examinations on deputation basis.

EC: 05:22	Appointment of teaching and non-teaching staff members
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Minutes:

5.22.1 The House ratified the appointments of teaching and non-teaching staff members reported in the Agenda item.

GROUP III – ITEMS WHICH ARE REPORTED FOR INFORMATION

EC: 05:23	Monsoon (December 2009) Results
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Minutes:

5.23.1 The House noted the Monsoon (December 2009) Results reported in the Agenda.

EC:05:24	Proposal for Establishment of Model Degree Colleges by Government of Sikkim
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Minutes:

5.24.1 The House noted the developments reported in the Agenda Item on establishment of Model Degree College by the Government of Sikkim.

EC:05:25	Constitution of Curriculum Development Committees
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Minutes:

5.25.1 The House noted the constitution of Curriculum Development Committees for the new course to be started from the Academic Session 2010-11.

EC:05:26	Academic Calendar for 2010
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Minutes:

5.26.1 The House noted and approved the Academic Calendar for 2010 placed before it.

EC:05:27	Entrance Test for Admission to Academic Session Starting July 2010
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Minutes:

5.27.1 The House considered the Agenda item on holding of Entrance Test for admission to the Academic Session starting July 2010 and noted the same.

EC:05:28	Guidelines for Project/Dissertation Supervision and Evaluation
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Minutes:

5.28.1 The House considered and approved the Guidelines for Project/Dissertation Supervision and Evaluation placed before it, noted and approved it.

EC:05:29	Acquisition of Land at Yangang
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Minutes:

5.29.1 The House considered in detail of the agenda item placed before it. The Chairperson also briefed the House of various developments taken place on the issue including his meeting with the Hon'ble Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh on 8th January 2010 at his residence in New Delhi. The Chairperson also mentioned that he invited the Hon'ble Prime Minister to lay the foundation stone of Sikkim University campus at Yangang and the Hon'ble Prime Minister agreed to this request. The House took note of the same.

EC:05:30	Re-Designation of Posts
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Minutes:

5.30.1 The House considered the agenda for re-designation of posts placed before it. It was suggested by the House that the new designations proposed against the contemporary

designations shall be called Functional Designations. The House with the above, suggestions approved the re-designation proposals.

EC:05:31	Guidelines on charging of Affiliation Fee from Colleges
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Minutes:

5.31.1 The item was deferred.

EC:05:32	Teaching & Non-teaching staff in Position as at 28.2.2010
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Minutes:

5.32.1 The House noted the details of Teaching & Non-teaching staff in position as at 28.2.2010 placed before it in the agenda.

EC:05:33	International Conference on Social Violence & Police
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Minutes:

5.33.1 The House noted the same.

EC:05:34	Any other item with the permission of the Chair
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5.34.1 There being no other item, the meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

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