

Kerala State Higher Education Council

Minutes of the 33rd Executive Body meeting held on 23.03.2023

The 33rd Executive Body Meeting of the third KSHEC was held on 23.03.2023 at 10.30 am. through video conferencing. Prof. Rajan Gurukkal P.M. Vice Chairman presided.

The following members attended the meeting.

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| 1. | Prof.RajanGurukkal P.M. | : | Vice Chairman, KSHEC. |
| 2. | Prof. Gopinath Raveendran | : | Vice Chancellor, Kannur University |
| 3. | Dr.FathimathuZuhara | : | Member, Executive Body, KSHEC |
| 4. | Dr. J. Rajan | : | Member, Executive Body, KSHEC |
| 5. | Dr. K. K. Damodaran | : | Member, Executive Body, KSHEC |
| 6. | Dr. R. K. Suresh Kumar | : | Member, Executive Body, KSHEC |
| 7. | Dr.RajanVarughese | : | Member Secretary, KSHEC |

The following agenda was transacted and decisions taken.

- 1. Item No. 1 - Report on Higher Education Empowerment Implementation Plan.**
After detailed discussion, it was resolved to request the Government to extend the Higher Education Empowerment Implementation Plan 2022-23 to a further period of one year for achieving the major objectives envisaged in the plan. It also urged the Government to release the amount sanctioned for the Implementation Plan as only less than 20% of the AS amount was given to the Council as on March 2023.
- 2. Item No. 2 - Proposal for KIRF Website.**
Resolved to approve an amount of Rs. 2.75 Lakhs + GST for the development of Website for KIRF, based on the recommendations of the Internal Management Committee and the Technical committee of the Council for the startup company M/s Raintel Technologies, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 3. Item No. 3 – Kerala State Higher Education Curriculum Framework -Government letter.**
As directed by the Government it was decided to organise Curriculum Workshop in connection with the formation of the Kerala State Higher Education Curriculum Framework on April 3,4 and 5 at IMG, Thiruvananthapuram, with the participation of Universities and teachers/ student organizations.
- 4. Item No. 4 - Report on E- Journal Consortium.**
The meeting evaluated the reports from various Universities on the functioning of E- Journal Consortium. It was resolved to release/pay the second instalment of Rs. 10500000/- (Rupees One Crore Five Lakhs) to Ms. Elsevier (GIST) and Rs. 1000000/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs to Ms. KNIMBUS as per the agreement executed in this regard.

Additional Agenda

A1. Appointment of one Research Associate in the Kerala State Higher Education Reforms Implementation Cell on deputation.

It was resolved to request the government to appoint one Research Associate on Deputation basis in the in the Higher Education Reforms Implementation Cell of the Kerala State Higher Education Council.

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OA.1 – Reporting - Workshop on Translational Research in Medical Devices

Vice Chairman reported the details of the **Hands on Workshop on Translational Research in Medical Devices** held on **21st March 2023** in the Achuta Menon Centre for Health Science Studies, **Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technology, Trivandrum**. The workshop was organized jointly by the Kerala State Higher Education Council (KSHEC), Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology (SCTIMST) and Kerala Medical Technology Consortium (KMTC).

Dr. R. Bindu, Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education inaugurated the workshop. Prof. Saji Gopinath (Vice Chancellor, Digital University of Kerala), Dr. Harald Peter, (Research Scientist, Fraunhofer Institute for Cell Therapy and Immunology, Potsdam, Germany), Prof. Samir Kumar Brahmachari (Former DG of CSIR), Dr Sanjay Bihari, (Director, SCTIMST) and Prof Rajan Gurukkal, Vice Chairman, KSHEC led the workshop. Nearly 150 participants including Medical students attended the workshop.

The Minutes were read and confirmed

The Meeting which started at 10.30 am concluded by 11.40 am



Vice Chairman



Member Secretary