Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on July 12, 2014

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on July 12, 2014 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. K.K. Pandey
- 2. Dr. Anand Kar
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. P.K. Gupta, Dr. R.K. Vyas, Dr. Gyan Prakash, Dr. Pratibha Sharma, Dr. Ajay Verma, Dr. R. K. Baghel could not attend the meeting.

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

- Dr. Anil Kumar informed the members that as per decision taken in the meeting of May 16, 2014, he wrote a note sheet to the Hon. VC for constitution of Research Committee. After discussion, Hon. VC ordered that task group itself will act as Research Committee and will work for effective implementation of Research Policy.
- 2. Dr. Anil Kumar informed the members that he sent e mail to all HODs as per decision taken in last meeting of May 16, 2014 to take feedback from their respective faculty members and also the information about research (research publications, research projects completed/ undertaken, papers presented, Key note addresses delivered, sessions chaired by each faculty / researcher). Last date was given as July 10, 2014. However, no HOD sent any information yet. Only he himself prepared information for School of Biotechnology with the help of faculty/ researchers of School of Biotechnology. He put the information before the members.
- Dr. Anil Kumar informed the members that as per decision taken in the meeting of May 16, 2014, Development Section of the University is in the process of preparing revised amended Notification for minor research project proposals having no ambiguity.
- 4. Members emphasized for interdisciplinary researches, team work, inter-departmental collaborations, thrust areas etc.
- 5. Members emphasized that research projects of up to Rs. five lakhs must also be sanctioned by the University to those faculty members who are actively engaged in good quality research. It was resolved that Development section must prepare notification about it and up to maximum 10 such projects may be sanctioned.

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- 6. Members resolved that course work fee for Ph.D. must be utilized for research purpose only.
- 7. Members showed their concern over much delay in issuing utilization certificates by the University administration. If problems of UC are sorted out, many teachers will start sending more research projects for funding to various funding agencies.
- 8. It was resolved that equipment and infra-structure grant sanctioned to schools under UGC XII plan, must be utilized by the respective HODs in consultation of faculty members and while deciding, research component must also be kept in mind.
- All members unanimously resolved that such system must be implemented by the University administration that every researcher must get his/ her fellowship on the first day of every month.
- 10. Members also showed concern that members of task group are not coming in the meeting. It was resolved that Hon. VC may be requested to attend the meetings at frequent intervals.
- 11. All the members resolved that when 40% Overhead expenses are deducted by the University administration which are distributed among concerned officers and employees, it must be their duty to help in preparing final UCs etc and also must help in smooth running of the projects.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on May 16, 2014

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on May 16, 2014 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. P. K. Gupta
- 2. Dr. Anand Kar
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 5. Dr. Ajay Verma
- 6. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. K. K. Pandey, Dr. R.K. Vyas, Dr. Gyan Prakash, Dr. R. K. Baghel could not attend the meeting.

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

- 1. Discussion was done on the steps to be taken for effective implementation of Research Policy. It was resolved that as mentioned in the Research Policy, for effective implementation, University must constitute a Committee of Research (Research Committee) headed by a Research Director. The Group requested Dr. Anil Kumar to move a Note sheet to this effect to request the Vice-Chancellor to constitute Research Committee with a Research Director/ Dean.
- 2. It was resolved that all the HODs/ Directors must call a meeting of all the faculty and researchers in their respective departments and take feedback from them including information about research (research publications, research projects completed/ undertaken, papers presented, Key note addresses delivered, sessions chaired by each faculty / researcher. The same may be sent to the Coordinator of the Task group, Dr. Anil Kumar (hard copy as well as soft copy) up to June 10, 2014. It was also resolved that in the meeting, HODs must also emphasize for interdisciplinary researches, team work, interdepartmental collaborations, thrust areas etc.
- 3. Members realized that Notification of the University where minor research project proposals were asked is having ambiguity. It must clearly mentioned that newly appointed teachers including contractual teachers as well as other teachers who do not have funded research projects from anywhere may send the proposals. However, preference will be given to newly appointed teachers.
- 4. Members realized that reimbursement to the maximum of 50% of the fee collected from the research student to meet the contingency expenses is not feasible. Members were of the view that University must do provision of some money in the budget for research expenses.
- 5. Members discussed about best researcher award. Dr. P.K. Gupta informed the members that the University has already constituted a committee to chalk our modalities for the same.

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- 6. Members discussed about giving letter of appreciation to researchers/ faculty who will publish research paper in quality International journal. Most of the members were of the view that letter of appreciation is of no use. Publishing paper in quality International journal itself is more than the letter of appreciation.
- 7. It was resolved that a one day seminar on IPR may be organized in July-August, 2014. For that Dr. P.K. Gupta was authorized to initiate. He may take help of Dr. Deepak Bhatnagar of Biochemistry who organized a seminar on IPR last year.
- 8. Members asked Dr. Anand Kar to enquire about UGC/ DST etc schemes for renovation of Animal house/ botanical garden and if any such scheme is there, he may prepare proposals which may be sent by the University to concerned funding agency(ies).
- 9. All the members were of the view that for good quality researches, university administration must ensure sending utilization certificates in time, getting funds from the funding agencies in time, payment of research fellowships on the first day of the month, fast processing of bills etc

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members

Minutes of the meeting of the Task Group for Fostering Excellence in Research held on February 28, 2015

A meeting of the task group for fostering excellence in research was held on February 28, 2015 at the School of Biotechnology. The following members attended the meeting:

- 1. Prof. K K Pandey
- 2. Prof. Dinesh Varshney
- 3. Prof. Anil Kumar Coordinator

In the meeting, discussion was done on framing the guidelines for research awards in various UTDs.

It was resolved that there will be a Research Award for faculty member and another for the research student. Heads of UTDs must initiate process for constitution of Research Award in the name of a legendry of the discipline. The following guidelines were framed for the award

Guidelines for Research Awards in various UTDs

- 1. Notice inviting applications from the interested faculty members will be put by the Head of the Department/ Director of the UTD/ Institute (HOD) on the University/ School/ Institute website and also on the Notice Board of the concerned UTD/ Institute.
- 2. Applications received by the HOD will be screened by a committee of senior faculty members constituted by the HOD. The Committee will recommend names of the faculty members and research student for the award by way of preparing a panel.
- 3. While preparing panel, committee will consider the following:
- Applicant must be actively engaged in quality research in previous years which will be evidenced from his/her research publications.
- ii. For the Award, API score will be calculated for the year of the award under consideration as per norms of UGC under the following heads:
- a. Research publications in the journals
- b. Research publications in various books (books & book chapters)
- c. Presentation of research work in various national & international conferences
- d. Research guidance
- 4. The recommendations of the committee will be put before the Hon. VC by the concerned HOD for approval of the name(s) of the faculty member and research student for the award.
- 5. After getting approval of the Hon. VC, concerned HOD will put a notice announcing the names of the awardee (s).
- 6. Any grievance(s) to any person may be filed with the Vice-Chancellor
- 7. Decision of the Vice-Chancellor in the matter will be final

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Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on November 05, 2016

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on November 05, 2016 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Anand Kar
- 2. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 3. Dr. Pratosh Bansal, Director, IQAC-special invitee
- 4. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

- 1. After thorough discussion, it was agreed that Research Policy formulated in 2013 has all the important provisions to strengthen the research atmosphere in the University. However, still it could not be implemented in the desired way. It was decided that Hon. VC may be requested to convene a meeting of all Heads/ Directors and in that meeting, they must be directed by the Hon. VC to create research atmosphere in thir respective departments. The Heads/ Directors must encourage faculty members, researchers and research students for doing quality research.
- 2. It was resolved that there must be optimum utilization of existing resources. All the Departments must put information about their facilities/ equipments on the website.
- 3. As per research policy, if there are hurdles in the Departments, the same may be conveyed to the Coordinator of this Task Group under intimation to the Hon. VC.
- 4. As per research policy, it was resolved that incentive to active researchers in the form of Appreciation letters must be given by the University.
- 5. Seed money must be sanctioned in the judicious manner.
- 6. Since many members of the Task Group got retired, it was suggested to request the Vice-Chancellor to re-structure the Task Group.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on December 23, 2016

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on December 23, 2016 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra Dhakad, Hon. VC
- 2. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 3. Dr. Gyan Prakash
- 4. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 5. Dr. S. N. Kane
- 6. Dr. Rajesh Sharma
- 7. Mr. Yashwant Patel, Deputy Registrar
- 8. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

- 1. After thorough discussion, it was agreed that although Research Policy formulated in 2013 has all the important provisions to strengthen the research atmosphere in the University, still it requires changes. Hon. VC asked all the members to give their suggestions for improving the Research Policy. Hon. VC also directed that next meeting of the Task Group be called on January 07, 2017 at 3 PM and before that discussion must be done with Dr. Anand Kar, In-charge, Development Section to know his views about Development Section for better functioning in the matter of research projects. Thereafter, Hon. VC will convene a meeting of all Heads/ Directors for discussion about strengthening the research atmosphere in the Departments.
- It was agreed that Hon. VC will direct all the HODs to put information about their facilities/ equipments on the website. The departments must allow the researchers of other departments to use their facilities in order to optimally utilize existing resources.
- 3. It was resolved that Dr Rajesh Sharma and Dr Pratibha Sharma will coordinate to conduct a workshop for research, synopsis writing etc.
- 4. Dr. Gyan Prakash suggested that for Social Science research, he has plans in his mind and He has also talked to some Industries. Therefore, it was resolved that he will chalk out the things in that direction and will report the progress on January 07, 2017 (in the next meeting of the Task Group).
- 5. It was agreed that from every Department, information about Seed money projects (progress in the projects) must be collected and for that Secretary to VC will send e mail to all the departments (Dr. Rajesh Sharma will coordinate for it).

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- 6. It was agreed that from every Department, information about Golden Jubilee Fellows (
 progress report of the fellows) must be collected and for that Secretary to VC will send e
 mail to all the departments (Dr. Rajesh Sharma will coordinate for it). In future,
 arrangements must be for presentation of work carried out by the fellows.
- 7. Hon. VC directed that members of Task Group must interact with Industry people. He suggested names of Info Beans and S Tang. For that, Dr. Rajesh Sharma who is member of Institute Industry Cell, will coordinate.
- 8. Hon. VC informed that Mr. Pattabhi Ramaya is interested in collaborating with the University. Therefore, Task Group members must also interact with him. (For that also, Dr Rajesh Sharma will coordinate).

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on January 07, 2017

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on January 07, 2017 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra Dhakad, Hon. VC
- 2. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 3. Dr. Gvan Prakash
- 4. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 5. Dr. S. N. Kane
- 6. Dr. Rajnish Jain
- 7. Dr. Anand Kar
- 8. Dr. Pratosh Bansal
- 9. Dr. Abhay Kumar
- 10. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

1. After thorough discussion, a sub-committee was constituted to suggest amendments in the existing Research Policy to make it more effective in the current scenario. The following members were nominated for the sub-committee:

Dr. Abhay Kumar Coordinator

Dr. S N Kane

Dr. Gyan Prakash

Dr. Anand Sapre

Dr. Shashi Prakash

It was requested to give suggestions before January 19, 2017 so that same may be discussed in the meeting of January 19, 2017. (It was decided that next meeting of the Task Group will be held on January 19, 2017 at 3 PM in the School of Biotechnology.

- 2. It was resolved that Dr Anand Kar, Professor Incharge, Development section will collect information about Ph. D. students, post doctoral fellows and other research staff from every department. He will also collect information about Golden Jubilee fellows and Seed money projects from every department & will try to put the same in the next meeting.
- 3. It was decided that Dr Vrinda Tokekar be requested to upload information about equipments and other facilities in each department on the University website. The job must be completed upto January 16, 2017.

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- 4. It was decided to facilitate researchers on August 15 & January 26 every year. For this, a sub-committee comprising of Dr. Dinesh Varshney & Dr. Pratibha Sharma was nominated.
- 5. The proposal submitted by Dr Gyan Prakash may be implemented with the help of NSS since it does not fall under the preview of research.
- 5. Dr. Pratibha Sharma & Dr Rajesh Sharma will submit detailed plan/ information about conducting workshop on research projects writing etc on January 19, 2017. The workshop may be conducted with Centre for Human Resource Development of the University (formerly ASC).
- 6. There will be a meeting of Task Group on January 09, 2017 at 3 PM in the School of Biotechnology with industry representatives (Info Beans, Systango).
- 7. In next meeting on January 19, 2017, HODs of Department of Life Long Learning, Comparative Languages & Commerce be invited to present information about research in their respective departments.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on January 09, 2017

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on January 09, 2017 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. S. N. Kane
- 2. Dr. Anand Kar
- 3. Dr. Pratosh Bansal, Director, IQAC
- 4. Dr. Abhay Kumar
- 5. Dr. Ugrasen Suman
- 6. Dr. Nitin Nagar, Placement Officer of IIPS
- 7. Mr. Niranjan Srivastava, Placement Officer of IMS
- 8. Dr. Rajesh Sharma
- 9. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

Ms. Vinita from SysTango attended the meeting on behalf of SysTango. No representative from Info Beans came in the meeting.

After thorough discussions with Ms. Vinita, following decisions (in principle subject to approval of Hon. VC) were taken:

- a) University in collaboration of SysTango may think to start a Skill Development Program of nearly 3 to 4 months. In the program, students desirous of joining industry may join so that their skill may be groom up as per requirement of the Industries. The decision of fee structure and distribution of income from the fees may be decided by mutual consent.
- b) SysTango agreed to offer internment to students of DAVV in their last semester who will give commitment to join SysTango after completion of the course.

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In order to prepare the modalities and Agreement draft for points a and b, a sub-committee was nominated which will do the job after discussions with the representatives of SysTango company:

Dr Abhay Kumar Dr Shashi Prakash Dr Pratosh Bansal Dr Ugrasen Suman Mr. Niranjan Srivastava

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on January 19, 2017

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on January 19, 2017 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra Dhakad, Hon. VC
- 2. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. S. N. Kane
- 5. Dr. Rajnish Jain
- 6. Dr. Anand Kar
- 7. Dr. Pratosh Bansal
- 8. Dr. Abhay Kumar
- 9. Dr Rajesh Sharma
- 10. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

- 1. Dr. Dhakad, Hon. VC introduced to Mr. Ramaiah, Vice-President, Pretian Technologies, Bangaluru who visited in the university and expressed interest for collaboration in research and for campus placement. Thereafter, Mr. Ramaiah told about his company that company is working in the field of Health-IT sector. He will be interested in students having knowledge of diseases with computer programming. He told about his company's module to train the students for industrial employability and deployability. It was decided that matter will be discussed in the meeting of placement officers of various schools with the Hon. VC.
- 2. Hon. VC asked Dr Laxman Shinde, HOD, Comparative languages & Culture about research being carried out in his department. He assured the VC to collect information up to Monday and will send the same to his Secretary. Hon. VC emphasized that more research quality wise as well as quantity wise must be carried out.
- 3. Thereafter, Hon. VC asked Dr Preeti Singh, HOD, Commerce about research being carried out in her department. She also assured the VC to collect information up to Monday and will send the same to his Secretary. To her also, Hon. VC emphasized that more research quality wise as well as quantity wise must be carried out.
- 4. Thereafter, Dr Bharti Joshi, HOD, Life Long Learning told about research in her department. To her also, Hon. VC emphasized that more research quality wise as well as quantity wise must be carried out.

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- 5. Discussion was done about introducing certificate about homology with published literature in Ph.D. theses. It was resolved that Academic Section of the University will issue Notification in this regard. It was also resolved that Notification will also be issued about recognized journals by UGC to bring awareness about counting points in API score for recognized journals only (as per UGC guidelines).
- 6. Note-sheet sent by Dr Kawadia about setting up of a Research Cell was also discussed. Hon. VC made noting on the Note-sheet for Dr Kawadia to discuss the matter with him.
- 7. It was resolved that next meeting of the Group will be on January 27, 2017 at 4 PM in the School of Biotechnology. For this meeting, no separate notice will be sent.
- 8. Draft of the certificate for Recognition Award was finalized in the meeting.
- 9. It was resolved that in the next meeting, HODs of IET, Journalism and Law be asked to come in next meeting on January 27, 2017 at 4 PM. They must come with preparation about research activities in their respective departments.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on February 06, 2017

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on February 06, 2017 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra Dhakad, Hon. VC
- 2. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. S. N. Kane
- 5. Dr. Rajnish Jain
- 6. Dr. Anand Kar
- 7. Dr. Pratosh Bansal
- 8. Dr. Abhay Kumar
- 9. Dr Rajesh Sharma
- 10. Dr Gyan Prakash
- 11. Dr. Jayant Sonwalkar
- 12. Dr G H S Naidu
- 13. Dr Manish Sitlani
- 14. Dr Sanjiv Tokekar
- 15. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

- 1. Dr Anil Kumar after confirming from Dr Anand Kar informed the members that regarding progress report of Golden Jubilee fellows, only Biochemistry, Pharmacy & Biotechnology submitted the reports. After discussion, it was resolved that Dr Anand Kar will compile information about Golden Jubilee fellows who are getting fellowships out of UGC XII plan grant after collecting the same from Development Section. Besides, he will collect the information from OSD, Self finance about fellows who are getting fellowship out of Self finance funds. It was also resolved that fellowship bills of those fellows be withheld who did not submit the progress report yet.
- 2. Hon. VC directed Dr Anand Kar to collect and compile information about Seed money projects. Similarly, here, it was resolved that bills be withheld till teachers do not give progress report for seed money project. Dr Anand Kar will put the factual position in next meeting to be held on March 10, 2017.
- 3. It was agreed that from now all the Ph.D. theses will be mandatorily scanned for homology by the University Librarian using Urkund software provided by the UGC. As per UGC norms, there must not be more than 30% homology. However, technical terms will remain exempted as per norms. Similarly, theses for M.Phil, ME, M Tech, LLM will also be scanned. For this, a

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Notification will be circulated by the Academic Section of the University. Hon. VC will direct the Academic Section accordingly.

- 4. It was resolved that all the Departments will start weekly research seminars to be given by the Ph.D. students. For that HODs will put notices under intimation to the VC. On an average, a Ph.D. student must give seminar of his/ her work done after every 3 to 6 months depending on the number of students in the department. For this also, a Notification will be circulated by the Academic Section of the University. Hon. VC will direct the Academic Section accordingly.
- 5. HODs of Journalism, Law and IET told about research activities in their respective departments. It was resolved that these HODs along with three other HODs who presented about research activities in their departments in last meeting (Life Long learning, Languages and Commerce) will present reports again in next meeting on March 10, 2017 confining on research papers, research projects since January 01, 2014. It was also resolved that there must be brief CV emphasizing on research papers, projects of each faculty member. Development Section/ IQAC will send a circular to this effect. This task group desired that every member in each department must be engaged in research which is in benefit of the faculty member itself as well as department and the University in general.
- 6. It was informed that there is a letter from UGC asking if the university desires to get more journals included in the list approved by the Committee of UGC. It was resolved that librarian will send list of UGC approved journals (in soft copy) to each HOD. Departments may suggest more journals which may be included in the list of UGC. After compilation, same will be sent to UGC by the University (after getting consent from respective Deans as per requirement of UGC).
- 7. It was discussed that there must be two journals of the university, one covering Science & Technology and another Humanities, Social Sciences & Management. It was resolved that Dr Gyan Prakash & Dr J Sonwalkar will work for journal covering Humanities, Social Sciences & Management, and Dr Pratima Sen and Dr Ravi Sindal will work for journal covering Science and Technology. They will do the needful for getting ISSN number etc and also to frame guidelines etc. If there is need of creating a web link, the same will also be chalked out by these persons under intimation to Hon. VC.
- 8. It was realized that there is a need to subscribe Scopus. Librarian was directed to do the needful in this direction.
- 9. Hon. VC directed that Examination Section must send bullet points of Ph.D. theses to IT Centre for loading on the university website in addition sending to Media Incharge, Dr Chandan Gupta.
- 10. Hon. VC approved March 10, 2017 at 4 PM, as date for next meeting. Venue will remain the School of Biotechnology/.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Dr Anil Kumar
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Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on March 10, 2017

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on March 10, 2017 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra Dhakad, Hon. VC
- 2. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. S. N. Kane
- 5. Dr. Rajnish Jain
- 6. Dr. Anand Kar
- 7. Dr. Pratosh Bansal
- 8. Dr Rajesh Sharma
- 9. Dr Gyan Prakash
- 10. Dr Manish Sitlani
- 11. Dr Vrinda Tokekar
- 12. Dr Preeti Singh
- 13. Dr Bharti Joshi
- 14. Dr Laxman Shinde

15. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

- 1. Regarding information on Golden Jubilee Fellows, Dr Anand Kar informed the members that he has collected the information, however, due to strike of non-teaching staff, he could not bring the file. Similarly, he informed for seed money projects. Hon. VC directed him to bring the entire information in the next meeting scheduled on April 07, 2017.
- 3. Dr Pratosh Bansal & Dr Anand Kar informed that they are taking care of Ph.D. theses for mandatorily scanning for homology by the University Librarian using Urkund software provided by the UGC. The matter will be put in the meeting of Standing Committee of the Academic Council. They will inform about the progress in next meeting.
- 4. Regarding research seminars in all UTDs, process is being done by the Development Section and IQAC cell. The required Notification will be soon from the University Administration.

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- 5. Dr Gyan Prakash was directed by the Hon. VC to accelerate the process of journals and he will put information about the progress in next meeting. For Science Journal, Dr Pratima Sen will do the needful. 8. It was realized that there is a need to subscribe Scopus. Librarian was directed to do the needful in this direction.
- 6. HODs of Law, Languages, IET, Life Long Learning, Commerce briefed the members about research activities in their respective departments.
- 7. After much discussion, Hon. VC asked that HODs of Languages, Journalism, Life Long Learning, Commerce will again present data in next meeting scheduled on April 07, 2017. Besides, HODs of Management, IIPS and Life Science will also present about research activities in their respective departments in the next meeting scheduled on April 07, 2017.

Dr Varshney was requested to prepare a template for presentations. Same will be circulated to all HODs by the Development Section Incharge, Dr Anand Kar.

- 8. Dr Rajesh Sharma informed the members that workshop for research project writing has been scheduled on April 15, 2017 for Humanities, Social Science & Management; and April 22, 2017 for Science & Technology. These workshops will be in Human Resource Development Centre (earlier named as Academic Staff College). Hon. VC suggested names of Dr G Kawadia, Dr Madhulika & Dr Jyoti Sharma as resource persons for Humanities, Social Science & Management; and Dr Anand Kar, Dr Varshney & Dr Vaibhav Neema for Science & Technology.
- 9. Hon. VC approved April 07, 2017 at 4 PM, as date for next meeting. Venue will remain the School of Biotechnology.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on April 07, 2017

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on April 07, 2017 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 2. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 3. Dr. Rajnish Jain
- 4. Dr. Anand Kar
- 5. Dr Rajesh Sharma
- 6. Dr Gyan Prakash
- 7. Dr Ravi Sindal
- 8. Dr Preeti Singh
- 9. Dr K Neema
- 10. Dr Bharti Joshi
- 11. Dr Laxman Shinde
- 12. Dr G P Pandey
- 13. Dr Anjana Jajoo
- 14. Dr B K Tripathi
- 15. Dr Namrata Sharma
- 16. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

- 1. Regarding information on Golden Jubilee Fellows, Dr Anand Kar informed the members that he is still collecting the information. He will present all the details in next meeting on April 21, 2017. Similarly, he said for seed money projects. Dr Anil Kumar requested him to bring the entire information in the next meeting scheduled on April 21, 2017.
- 3. Dr Anand Kar informed that he with Dr Pratosh Bansal is taking care of Ph.D. theses for mandatorily scanning for homology by the University Librarian using Urkund software provided by the UGC. The matter has to be put in the meeting of Standing Committee of the Academic Council. He will inform about the progress in next meeting.
- 4. Regarding research seminars in all UTDs, Dr Anand Kar told that process is being done by the Development Section and IQAC cell. The required Notification will be soon from the University Administration.

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5. Dr Gyan Prakash informed that he approached the Finance Controller for provision of money (Rs. three lakhs) in the budget for publication of the journals. However, he was told that at this stage, it is not feasible to include it in the budget. He said that it will be very difficult without money. It was resolved that matter be put before Hon. VC for his consideration.

Dr Ravi Sindal expressed his views about the journal. He said, it will be better if university starts journal(s) in specific subjects where university departments are strong. He also raised the matter of money. He informed that much money is required for DOI number etc. Besides, there should be independent server for storage of Archives of the journals. After much discussion, it was resolved that entire matter be brought in the knowledge of the Hon. VC.

- 6. HODs of Languages, Life Long Learning, Commerce, IIPS presented about research activities in their respective departments. It was felt that under the present circumstances, they are doing satisfactorily. However, considering the status of the university at the National and Global level, much serious work has to be done. It was resolved that Hon. VC be briefed about the requirements if we really wish to have name at the National and Global level.
- 7. It was decided that HODs of Journalism, IMS, IIPS, Biochemistry and Life Science will present about research activities in their respective departments in the next meeting scheduled on April 21, 2017.
- 8. Dr Rajesh Sharma informed the members that workshop for research project writing has been scheduled on April 15, 2017 for Humanities, Social Science & Management; and April 22, 2017 for Science & Technology. These workshops will be in Human Resource Development Centre (earlier named as Academic Staff College). Dr Namrata Sharma suggested that there must be some budget for such activities. It was resolved that matter of budget be put before the Hon. VC.
- 9. It was resolved that next meeting be held on April 21, 2017 at 4 PM. Venue will remain the School of Biotechnology.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on May 05, 2017

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on May 05, 2017 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

1. Dr. Narendra Dhakad Vice-Chancellor

1. Dr. Pratibha Sharma

2. Dr. Dinesh Varshney

3. Dr. S N Kane

4. Dr. Rajnish Jain

5. Dr. Anand Kar

6. Dr. Anil Kumar Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

1. Dr. Anand Kar was requested by Dr Anil Kumar to present details about Golden Jubilee Fellows and also about Seed money projects which he was requested to compile from the records. Dr Anand Kar informed the members that as per records, 06 students have been awarded Golden Jubilee Fellowships out of UGC XII plan grant. He does not have data of students who were awarded out of self finance grants. Names of the students are as follows:

Ms. Shivani Bhagwat
Ms. Ankita Joshi
Ms. Amrita Pal
Mr. Amantullah Mansoori
Ms. Kanaka Mahalaxmi
Mr. Swaraj Patil
Biotechnology
Biochemistry
Electronics
Physics
Physics
Pharmacy

1. Dr. Kar informed that he got Progress report for most of the students. He will send reminder for those whose report has not been received.

It was discussed that in publications (of fellowship duration), there must be Acknowledgement for Golden Jubilee Fellowship.

The following Committee was nominated which will examine progress reports of Golden Jubilee Fellows and will give its comments.

Dr. D Varshney

Dr. Anand Kar

Dr. Rajnish Jain

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2. Regarding Seed money projects, Dr. Kar informed that as per records, total 42 projects were awarded and he got progress report of nearly 20 projects and that too is not in order.

After discussion, it was decided that above mentioned Committee will also examine progress reports of Seed money projects also and will give its comments.

3. Dr Anand Kar informed that he has already sent circular for weekly Research Seminars in all UTDs. Dr. Anil Kumar informed that Biotechnology has already fixed seminars. The first Seminar is on May 06, 2017 at 3 pm. He has already sent the Notice to VC Office as well as to Professor Incharge (Dev.).

After discussion, it was resolved that there must be a link for Task Group for Fostering Excellence in Research. On this link, all notices, minutes of the meetings etc. must be loaded.

- 4. Hon. VC was apprised about the problems being faced in starting Research Journals. Hon. VC said that he will sanction finance for the journal. The Committee members must give a proposal. After discussion, it was resolved that Dr S N Kane will also be part of Journal Committee and they will bring some details in next meeting scheduled on May 11, 2017.
- 5. Due to power failure, no presentation could be on May 05, 2017. It was resolved that HODs of Journalism, IMS, IIPS, Biochemistry and Life Science will present about research activities in their respective departments in the next meeting scheduled on May 11, 2017.
- 6. Dr Anil Kumar informed the members that workshop for research project writing were conducted as per schedule (on April 15, 2017 for Humanities, Social Science & Management; and April 22, 2017 for Science & Technology). The participants are in the process of writing projects. Dr Rajesh Sharma, Dr Varshney, Dr Anand Kar are taking care further.
- 7. Dr Anil Kumar informed the members that Hon. VC received a letter from CSIR where he has been requested to nominate scientist(s) for G N Ramachandran Gold Medal in Biological Sciences and Technology. After discussion, it was resolved that persons interested may send their request in prescribed format (prescribed by CSIR), CV and letter of Expression to Dr Anil Kumar. For sorting out the proposals, the following Committee was nominated:

Dr. D Varshney

Dr. Pratibha Sharma

8. It was resolved that next meeting be held on May 11, 2017 at 4 PM. Venue will remain the School of Biotechnology.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on November 28, 2017

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on November 28, 2017 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra K Dhakad
- 2. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. Rajnish Jain
- 5. Dr. Anand Kar
- 6. Dr. Gyan Prakash
- 7. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on May 26, 2017 were discussed.

- 1. Dr. Anand Kar informed that he got the progress report of all the Golden Jubilee Fellows. However, he informed that in research publications, some fellows have not acknowledged Golden Jubilee fellowship. It was resolved that Professor Incharge, Development Section, Dr Anand Kar will send a letter to all the Departments advising to acknowledge grants/ fellowships in all applicable research publications.
- 2. Dr Anand Kar informed that PIs of seed money projects have not sent progress reports in proforma suggested. It was resolved that Dr Anand Kar will write to individual PIs to submit the progress report in the proforma. Thereafter, these reports will be evaluated by the already existing Committee having Dr Anand Kar, Dr. D Varshney & Dr. Rajnish Jain.
- 3. Dr Anand Kar informed that now research seminars by Ph.D. students are being conducted by Schools of Pharmacy, Physics, Chemistry, Biotechnology. Dr Anil Kumar informed that Biotechnology was conducting from June itself. For some time, these were discontinued. Now, the same will be resumed shortly. Hon. VC instructed Dr Anand Kar to send a reminder to all the departments for seminars. Copy of the Notices must also be sent to the office of VC in addition to Professor Incharge, Development Section.
- 4. Dr Anil Kumar informed that link for Task Group for Excellence in Research has not been created on the University website yet. Hon. VC immediately instructed Dr. Vrinda Tokekar over the phone to create the same as soon as possible.
- 5. Dr Gyan Prakash informed that he has already initiated the process of starting the journal for Social Science. It was resolved that a meeting of the Committee for research journals (social science as well as Science) be called on November 30, 2017 to discuss the matter. It was directed that Dr S N Kane, Dr Ravi Sindal, Dr. Pratima Sen, Dr Gyan Prakash, Dr. Jayant Sonwalkar, Dr D Varshney be asked to attend the meeting on Nov. 30, 2017 at 3.30 PM in the School of Biotechnology.

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- 6. It was resolved that HODs of Journalism, IIPS and Life Science be asked to present about research activities in their respective departments in the next meeting scheduled on January 11, 2018 at 3.30 PM in the School of Biotechnology.
- 7. Hon. VC directed that in future when research workshops be arranged, it must be ensured that no speaker brings negative spell. He also informed that now, no file in University Administration get stuck. All the Officers have been instructed to opt positive attitude towards all the files submitted by the UTDs.

Thereafter, discussion was done, how quality and quantity of research may be improved in UTDs. The following discussion was carried out:

- 1. It was resolved that to opt only up to 10% homology in Ph.D. theses (as per directives from UGC), matter will be put before Standing Committee and thereafter in the EC for approval. This will be dealt by Dr V B Gupta, Coordinator, Ph.D. Cell.
- 2. Dr V B Gupta be opted in the Task Group in place of Dr. Ajay Verma (since Dr Ajay Verma being busy in Engineering Section work is unable to attend the meetings).
- 3. Hon. VC with Dr Anil Kumar will visit in every department to discuss things with faculty, researchers. Dr Anil Kumar shall prepare a schedule for the same. These visits will be started from January 10, 2018.
- 4. Dr Varshney suggested that some incentives may be given to active researchers like travel grants for attending International & National Conferences. Hon. VC informed that already university is much liberal in this matter. However, people will have to apply.
- 5. It was resolved that in 2018 also, on January 26, active researchers may be felicitated.

It was resolved that next meeting will be held on January 11, 2018 at 3.30 PM. Venue will remain the School of Biotechnology.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on January 11, 2018

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on January 11, 2018 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra K Dhakad
- 2. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 3. Dr. V B Gupta
- 4. Dr. Rajnish Jain
- 5. Dr S N Kane
- 6. Dr. Gyan Prakash
- 7. Dr. Rajesh Sharma
- 8. Dr. A K Sapre
- 9. Dr. Lav Kumar Soni
- 10. Dr. Ravi Sindal
- 11. Dr. Geeta Sharma
- 12 Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on November 28, 2017 were discussed.

1. Dr. Anil Kumar informed that he got the message from Dr Anand Kar that PIs of seed money projects, Golden Jubilee fellows submitted the progress reports but mostly not in format. It was resolved that Development Section will again remind them to submit in the format. Regarding acknowledgement in research papers, it was resolved that Incharge, Development Section, Dr Lav Kumar Soni will send a letter to all the Departments advising to acknowledge grants/fellowships in all applicable research publications.

It was also resolved that if people do not submit required report in spite of repeated reminders, then they/ their mentors will not be considered for any University grant in future.

- 2. It was informed that research seminars by Ph.D. students are being conducted by Schools of Pharmacy, Physics, Chemistry, Biotechnology. Hon. VC instructed Dr Lav Kumar Soni to send a reminder to all the departments for seminars.
- 3. Dr Anil Kumar informed that he talked to Dr Vrinda Tokekar and link for Task Group for Excellence in Research will be created soon on the University website.
- 5. Dr Anil Kumar informed that meeting for research journals was held on November 30, 2017. Now names of the journals, editorial boards etc have been finalized and we are in the process of calling papers for first issue. It was resolved that we must mention in the 'Call for papers' that the journal is a peer reviewed journal. First paper will be screened for plagiarism. If no plagiarism is detected (there must not be more than 20% homology and for that proper references must be quoted), then paper will be sent to three independent reviewers for

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reviewing. Decision about acceptance will be taken based on the comments of the reviewers. It was also resolved that papers published in these journals will be equally good for the purpose of Ph.D. theses submission as per University Ordinance. University will obtain ISSN nos. after first issue publication as per rules. It will also be tried to get the journals included in UGC list. Dr. Gyan Prakash and Dr Kane will inform about the progress of journals in next meeting scheduled on February 09, 2018.

6. HODs of Journalism, IIPS and Life Science presented about the research activities in their respective departments. It was resolved that Life Sci. will again present in the next meeting scheduled on February 09, 2018 at 3.30 PM in the School of Biotechnology. Besides, HODs of Chemistry & Maths will also present about their respective departments.

7. It was resolved that research workshops be arranged in last week of February, 2018. For that, Dr Varshney was given the responsibility of arranging the same.

8. Hon. VC with Dr Anil Kumar will visit in every department to discuss things with faculty, researchers. The following Schedule has been prepared:

January 19, 2018 at 3 PM- Electronics

January 23, 2018 at 4 PM – Economics (Dr P N Mishra informed Dr Anil Kumar that he will not be available on Jan. 23, 2018, therefore, Hon. VC may visit Computer Science Department)

January 24, 2018 at 3 PM- Education

January 25, 2018 at 3 PM - EMRC

January 29, 2018 at 3 PM- SEES (Energy)

January 30, 2018 at 3 PM- Data Science

February 01, 2018 at 3 PM-IET

5. It was resolved that in 2018 also, on January 26, active researchers in 2017 may be felicitated. For that, Dr Varshney was given the responsibility of scrutinizing the applications etc. He may select his team. It was suggested that he may opt Dr V B Gupta, Dr Gyan Prakash, Dr. Kane, Dr Ravi Sindal.

It was resolved that next meeting will be held on February 09 2018 at 3.30 PM. Venue will remain the School of Biotechnology.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on February 09, 2018

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on February 09, 2018 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra K Dhakad
- 2. Dr. Anand Kar
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. V B Gupta
- 5. Dr S N Kane
- 6. Dr. Rajesh Sharma
- 7. Dr. Lav Kumar Soni
- 8. Dr. Ashok Kumar
- 9. Dr A V Bajaj
- 10. Dr Anjana Jajoo
- 11 Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on January 11, 2018 were discussed.

1. Regarding seed money projects & Golden Jubilee Fellowships, Dr Love Kumar Soni, Incharge, Development Section informed that as per decision taken in the last meeting, he has already sent reminder to all concerned about sending progress report in the prescribed proforma but he could not get encouraging results. He also told that he has also sent letter to all the Departments advising to acknowledge grants/ fellowships in all applicable research publications.

After discussion, it was resolved that Development Section will prepare the information in a tabular form & will place before the sub-committee nominated earlier for evaluation. As per earlier resolution, it was decided that people did not submit required report in spite of repeated reminders, they/ their mentors will not be considered for any University grant in future.

- 2. Regarding research seminars by Ph.D. students, it was informed by Dr Love Kumar Soni that now two more departments namely Computer Science & Physical Education have started conducting research seminars. Schools of Pharmacy, Physics, Chemistry, Biotechnology are already conducting the same. Hon. VC instructed to Dr Love Kumar Soni to send a final reminder to all the concerned departments for seminars. If still departments do not take initiative, then they will be called for explanation to the Hon. VC & members of task group.
- 3. Dr Anil Kumar informed that now link for Task Group for Excellence in Research is present on the University website (it is within IQAC).
- 4. Dr Anil Kumar & Dr S N Kane informed the members about the progress for start of journals. Members showed satisfaction about the progress. Hon. VC instructed to do the needful at the earliest so that journals may come in real shape.

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- 5. HODs of Life Science (Dr Anjana Jajoo on behalf of Head, Life Sci.), Chemistry, Maths presented about the research activities in their respective departments. In general, Hon. VC expressed his satisfaction. It was raised that there are some minor problems in Life Science & Maths. Hon. VC told that he himself will personally visit in Life Science as well as Maths department to discuss the matter with all the faculty members & researchers. It was resolved that HODs of Computer Science, Biochemistry & Pharmacy will present about their respective departments in the next meeting of the Group.
- 6. Dr Varshney assured the members that he is doing efforts so that research workshops be arranged in the last week of February, 2018. He will talk to the Director, Human Resource Development Centre about it. Hon. VC also instructed Dr Varshney to ask the participants of last workshops about their submission of research projects to various funding agencies.
- 7. Dr Anil Kumar informed that University felicitated 10 teachers of UTD for their research activities in 2017 on January 26, 2018. He told that as per policy decision taken, teachers who were felicitated on January 26, 2017 were not considered this year.
- 8. It was resolved that next meeting will be on February 13, 2018 at 5 PM in the School of Biotechnology where Dr Abhay Kumar will present about updated Research policy being drafted by him & his team. All HODs will also be requested to attend this meeting on February 13, 2018.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Dr Anil Kumar

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Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on March 12, 2018

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on March 12, 2018 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra K Dhakad
- 2. Dr. Anand Kar
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. V B Gupta
- 5. Dr S N Kane
- 6. Dr. Rajesh Sharma
- 7. Dr. Gyan Prakash
- 8. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 9. Dr. Lav Kumar Soni
- 10. Dr Rekha Gadre
- 11 Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on February 09, 2018 were discussed.

1. Regarding seed money projects & Golden Jubilee Fellowships, Dr Love Kumar Soni presented the factual position.

After discussion, it was resolved that Development Section will prepare the information in a tabular form & will place before the sub-committee nominated earlier for evaluation. As per earlier resolution, it was decided that people did not submit required report in spite of repeated reminders, they/ their mentors will not be considered for any University grant in future. It was also resolved that those who were awarded seed money grant but did not start the work and also did not inform the University about their inability with reasons, will also not be considered for grant in future. It was felt that they blocked the way of others and are not interested in pursuing research.

- 2. Regarding research seminars by Ph.D. students, it was informed by Dr Love Kumar Soni that now many more Departments have started the seminars by Ph.D. students. However, still there are departments where seminars are not being conducted. After discussion, it was resolved that Professor Incharge, Dev. Section will send DO letters to those HODs in whose departments, still seminars have not been started to explain up to March 31, 2018 about it and it is being written as per directives from the Hon. VC.
- 3. Dr Anil Kumar, Dr Gyan Prakash & Dr S N Kane informed the members about the progress for start of journals. It was told that they got response from the Registrar, News Papers in India (RNI) for Social Science & Humanities journal and now first issue copies have to be sent to RNI. It was resolved that required issues will be printed with the help of Dr V B

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Gupta and needful will be done at the earliest. Members showed satisfaction about the progress. Hon. VC instructed to do the needful at the earliest so that journals may come in real shape.

- 4. Dr Rekha Gadre, HOD of Biochemistry presented about her departmental research activities. It was realized by the members that more efforts must be done to get more grants and research output. It was also suggested that Department may think to start a new course since they are offering only one course. It was resolved that HODs of Computer Science & Pharmacy will present about their respective departments in the next meeting of the Group.
- 5. Dr Anil Kumar & Dr Varshney informed about the circumstances for postponing the proposed research workshops on February 27 & 28, 2018. After discussion, it was resolved that now these workshops will be conducted on April 06 and 07, 2018.
- 6. Final draft of First Revised Research & Ethics Policy, 2018 was presented by Dr. Abhay Kumar. It was informed by the Hon. VC that it has been approved by the Executive Council of the University in its meeting held on March 09, 2018. It was resolved that Dr Abhay Kumar and Dr Anand Kar will take a look of final draft for any spelling/ Grammatical errors & will finalize & design the same within two days. Thereafter, it will be printed.
- 7. As per Research Policy, it was resolved that there must be budget provision for research in the University Budget. It was resolved that Dr V B Gupta, Dr S N Kane, Dr Gyan Prakash & Dr Love Kumar Soni will prepare the budget proposal for research up to Monday, March 19, 2018 & will give to Hon. VC for getting approved by the EC of the University.
- 8. It was discussed that if University does efforts, it may get funds from Corporate sector and Alumni to create Research Endowment fund. For that, some members suggested that if University gets registered under Societies Act, then donors may get benefit in income tax. It was resolved that Dr Abhay Kumar, Dr Gyan Prakash, Finance Controller & Mr. Narendra Bhandari, CA will do the needful in the matter so that University gets sufficient funds for research.
- 9. It was discussed that University may start a Chancellor Award for best researcher which may be given every year. Hon. VC directed Dr Abhay Kumar to prepare a proposal for that so that approval from Hon. Chancellor may be taken when she visits in the University on March 30, 2018 for Convocation.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on May 02, 2018

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on May 02, 2018 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra K Dhakad
- 2. Dr. Anand Kar
- 3. Dr. Dinesh Varshney
- 4. Dr. V B Gupta
- 5. Dr S N Kane
- 6. Dr. Rajesh Sharma
- 7. Dr. Gyan Prakash
- 8. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 9. Dr. Lav Kumar Soni
- 10. Dr Abhay Kumar
- 11 Dr. Anil Kumar

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The following persons were special invitees:

- 1. Dr. A K Sinha, Director, UGC-DAECSR
- 2. Dr Sanjiv Tokekar, Director, IET
- 3. Dr. V R Reddy, Scientist, UGC-DAECSR
- 3. Dr M P Saravanan, Scientist, UGC-DAECSR

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

Dr. Anil Kumar informed the members that this meeting has been convened especially on the Directions of Hon. VC after discussions with Dr A K Sinha for possible ways of collaboration with the Industries around Indore.

Dr. Sinha addressed the meeting explaining that we all may be having projects important for industries. These may be potentially important. However, here we wish to discuss about the problems directly related to the Industries/ Society. For that, it is very important first to identify the problems.

It was also discussed that Mr. Alok Dave, Industrialist may do some help to us.

It was also discussed that teachers/ scientists must come forward for consultancy and areas must be focused. For that, it is important that individuals or smaller groups be constituted who may interact directly with the people from industries in order to know about the problems and feasible ways of collaboration with different industrial sectors.

It was also discussed that Application Windows in R & D areas be identified.

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Students may also be sent as Interns in industries. It will help in building confidence between industries and the Academic institutions.

It was decided that IUC as well as DAVV must prepare their individual lab profiles within a fortnight.

Discussion was also done about the progress made in the matter of starting University Journals. Dr Gyan Prakash & Dr. S N Kane assured the Vice-Chancellor that they will try their best to release the journals in June, 2018. They both and their teams are actively working on this project.

It was also discussed that suggestions from Industry persons may also be taken while framing/revising syllabi for various courses of the UTDs.

Dr. S N Kane informed that he already has collaboration with Industries. He also presented in brief about the type of collaboration with industries.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Dr Anil Kumar

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Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on September 28, 2018

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on September 28, 2018 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra K Dhakad
- 2. Dr. Ashok Kumar
- 3. Dr. Anand Kar
- 4. Dr. S M gokhale
- 5. Dr. V B Gupta
- 6. Dr S N Kane
- 7. Dr. Gyan Prakash
- 8. Dr. Abhay Kumar
- 9. Dr. Ratnesh Gupta
- 10. Dr. M S Saluja
- 11. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

First of all, discussion was done on the decisions taken during the meeting held on May 02, 2018. All the members were of the view that not much efforts have been carried out for University- Industries interaction. There is much need for working on the problems related to the Society. It was also emphasized that all the teachers must actively involve in research. It was resolved that Hon. VC will personally visit in individual departments and talk with the faculty members. He will also listen about the hurdle(s) if any in any department.

Discussion was also done on the progress of the journals. Dr. Gyan Prakash, Dr S N Kane and Dr. M S Saluja told the members about the progress made in the matter. Hon. VC on the spot approved the name of Dr. S M Gokhale as Managing Editor for Science & Technology Journal. It was resolved that Dr Gokhale with the help of Dr Saluja & Dr. Gyan Prakash will do the needful in order to take ISSN No. for the journal.

It was resolved that University will do the provision of a separate 'Research head' in its revised annual budget. It was proposed that there will be provision of Rs. three crores under this head. University Golden Jubilee fellowship (one in each Department) will also be awarded out of this budget head. Different teachers will be able to use this budget head for their pity needs. It was resolved that amount of University Golden Jubilee fellowship be enhanced from Rs.12000/- to Rs.15,000/- per month. Already approved norms & procedure for Golden Jubilee fellowship will be followed.

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Dr. V B Gupta suggested that University may also think to award a Post doctoral fellowship of Rs.25000/- per month out of Research head. Dr Anil Kumar informed that for that permission of University Executive Council must be there.

It was also resolved that every department must get external Academic audit done at the earliest & this should be a regular feature in all the Schools/ Departments.

It was also resolved that each department must be encouraged to organize at least one National Conference every year. For that, remaining money out of UGC XIIth plan may be utilized. It was resolved that HODs must start the process as soon as possible.

Displeasure was shown by the members that research seminars by Ph.D. students are not being carried out regularly by many departments. It was resolved that each department be asked to continue the practice without any break.

It was also resolved that University faculty members must be encouraged to communicate research papers in the University journals. It has already been resolved earlier that these research papers will be equally good for Ph.D. thesis submission and CAS promotions (since University journals are peer reviewed journals).

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.

Minutes of the meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research held on November 14, 2018

A meeting of Task Group for fostering Excellence in Research was held on November 14, 2018 at the School of Biotechnology.

The following members were present:

- 1. Dr. Narendra K Dhakad
- 2. Dr. Ashok Kumar
- 3. Dr. Anand Kar
- 4. Dr. Rajesh Sharma
- 5. Dr. Pratibha Sharma
- 6. Dr. Shashi Prakash
- 7. Dr. Ratnesh Gupta
- 8. Dr. M S Saluja
- 9. Dr. Anil Kumar

Coordinator

Dr. Anil Kumar welcomed all the members present in the meeting.

First of all, discussion was done on the decisions taken during the meeting held on September 28, 2018.

Dr. Shashi Prakash informed the members that he is doing efforts for enhancing University- Industry interaction in the research field also. He informed that his team sent a joint research project with Directorate of Soybean Research, Indore to DST for favor of funding. Similarly, a project in collaboration of Indore Biotech. Pvt. Ltd., Indore is in pipeline for sending to DBT for favor of funding. He informed that except few departments, no other department sent laboratory profiles to him for loading on the website of the University & IUC. After discussion, it was resolved that he will arrange meetings with every department on monthly basis and will communicate the progress as well as hurdle(s) if any directly to the Vice-Chancellor.

Regarding visits of the Hon. VC in individual departments, Hon. VC assured that from December 01, 2018, he will try to visit individual departments on regular basis and will try to spend more time at the Takshshila Campus.

Dr. S M Gokhale told the members about the progress of Science journal & Dr Saluja told about the Social Science journal. They assured that they will continue their efforts so that soon both the journals get ISSN nos. and issues are published. The both assured that much attention will be paid on the quality of the research papers & all review record will be maintained.

Dr. Anil Kumar informed the members that University Executive Council in its meeting held on October 04, 2018 has done provision of a separated Head in the University budget under Part-IV and has also sanctioned a budget of Rs. three Crores in this head.

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Golden Jubilee Junior Research fellowship out of research fund has also been sanctioned. University is in the process of formulating the Regulation and rules for the Golden Jubilee fellowship. All the members thanked Hon. VC and the entire Executive Council for taking much prompt action for research fund. It was hoped that this sanctioned budget will definitely help in enhancing research activities in UTDs.

Dr. Anil Kumar informed that award of a Post doctoral fellowship at this stage out of the University funds is not feasible. In near future, we will think about it Or for increasing number of Golden Jubilee Junior Research fellowships.

Dr. Anil Kumar informed that School of Biotechnology has already got external audit from two independent outside reviewers & hoped that other departments would have started the process. The office of Hon. VC will send a reminder to all the HODs of UTDs.

Dr. Anil Kumar informed that as decided earlier, almost all the UTDs are organizing Conferences/ Seminars/ Workshops on regular basis.

Dr. Anil Kumar informed that School of Biotechnology is conducting research seminars of Ph.D. students on regular basis. A reminder from the VC office will be sent to all UTDs asking to conduct research seminars regularly.

All the members agreed that research activities got enhanced in recent months on the campus but there is need of enhancing the same more. Every faculty member/researcher must do efforts in this direction.

Meeting ended with a remark of thanks to all the members.