Shri Swami Vivekanand Shikshan Sanstha's

Vivekanand College, Kolhapur (Empowered Auton College Development Committee

Minutes of the Meeting

Minutes of the meeting of the College Development Committee held on 18th August 2023.

Members Present

- 1. Prin.Abhaykumar Salunkhe
- 2. Prin.Mrs.Shubhangi Gawade
- 3. Prin. Dr. R. R. Kumbhar
- 4. Dr.E.B.Alavekar
- 5. Mr.Sunny Kale
- 6. Mr.S.P.Thorat
- 7. Dr.Mrs.S.D.Shirke
- 8. Dr.Mrs.S.M.Joshi
- 9. Mr.H.S.Salunkhe
- 10. Mr.P.D.Medshinge
- 11. Prin.Dr.B.M.Hirdekar
- 12. Dr.M.P.Bachulkar-Cholekar

Members Absent

1. Prin.Dr.Sunilkumar Lavate

The meeting of College Development Committee (CDC) was conducted under the chairmanship of Hon. Principal Abhaykumar Salunkhe on $18^{\rm th}$ August, 2023 at 11.30 a.m. in the Board Room.

The items in agenda were discussed and the following decisions were taken unanimously.

Item No.1: Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting.

• The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed unanimously, in which the House was given detailed information of the action taken on the decision taken in the previous meeting.

Item No. 2: To welcome the newly appointed members on vacant posts created due to superannuation.

• Mr Kiran Patil, faculty representative in the College Development Committee, retired due to superannuation and Mr Sunny Kale, Dean of Commerce faculty, has been appointed in his place. Members and the chairman welcomed and congratulated Mr Sunny Kale.

Item No. 3: To report about the working of the second semester in the academic year 2022-23.

• Dr Shruti Joshi Madam has given details of different programs, activities conducted during the second semester of academic year 2022-23. She also reported on the achievements of students and faculty, as well as the value-added courses started by the college, and the MOUs signed by different departments. The list of the above is attached herewith.

Dr. B. M. Hirdekar brought it to the attention of the committee that the Cultural Ministry gives subsidies for global engagement programmes and insisted that the college should take benefit from such schemes to increase global engagement. The college should facilitate the enrollment of student to online courses present on good platforms. The suggestion was accepted by Principal Dr.R.R.Kumbhar.

Item No. 4: To inform about newly started courses/programmes in the college with the approval of the government and the university in the academic year 2022-23.

• Principal Dr. R. R. Kumbhar reported to the committee that five new PG courses, i.e., M.Sc. Biotechnology, M.Sc. Applied Statistics, M.Sc. Microbiology, M.Sc. Computer Science, P.G.Diploma in Geoinformatics, P.G.Diploma in Travel & Tourism, P.G.Diploma in Translation(Hindi) and M.Sc. Analytical Chemistry have been started with the approval of government and university. Additional divisions of BCA and BCS have also been introduced from the academic year 2022-23. Dr. M. P. Bachulkar suggested that retired faculty could be appointed as adjunct professors to fulfill additional faculty requirements. He also underlined that the development of necessary physical facilities should be ensured for smooth running of the new programmes.

Item No. 5: To discuss about starting the courses, MA Geography and hotel management from the academic year 2024-25.

 Principal Dr. R. R. Kumbhar expressed the intention of the college to launch MA Geography and hotel management programmes. The committee expressed its support towards this decision. It was decided to undertake the process for starting the said programs.

Item No. 6: To discuss about physical facilities required for PG courses started during the last year.

 Principal Dr. R. R. Kumbhar gave information on the already implemented and proposed infrastructure development in the college for the PG and other programs. The committee members suggested to prepare a master plan under the leadership of Sanstha and with the help of engineer, architect and other experts for the further development of the college. They suggested to organize a separate meeting for the purpose. The suggestion was unanimously adopted.

Item No. 7: To discuss about the appointment of teachers in the vacant posts.

• Principal Dr. R. R. Kumbhar reported that a total of 85 posts are sanctioned for the college as per the workload, whereas only 34 permanent teachers are presently working in the college, including the Principal. Two of those 34 teachers are working full time in the Examination Cell. The remaining workload is delivered through teachers appointed on Clock-hour basis and non-grant faculty appointed by the Sanstha. Principal Dr. Kumbhar told the committee that the question of unfilled posts has been raised with the concerned department of the government.

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Item No. 8: To inform about the effect of NEP 2020 implementation in the College as per government resolution dated 20 April, 2023 and 16 May, 2023.

• Principal Dr R. R. Kumbhar gave the details of the government regulations of 20.04.23 and 16.05.23. He told the committee how the college is leading the other autonomous colleges in the region in implementation of NEP. The NEP coordinators, HODs and faculty of the various departments worked along with representatives of other autonomous colleges, rigourously within a short period of time for devising the appropriate structures for implementation of NEP curriculum. Principal Dr. R. R. Kumbhar reported that the college has allowed the students to alter the major-minor subjects in the third semester considering the newness of curricula for the students. He discussed the problems of student strength faced by certain departments like Physics, and its impact on the workload. The college has prepared the students by giving them orientations on NEP in their initial days after admission.

Principal Dr. Kumbhar also reported that the new stream of Business Administration has been introduced under B.Com. degree and all the management subjects have been brought together under it.

Dr B. M. Hirdekar suggested starting B. Com. in e-commerce and international business.

Item No. 9: Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

- 1. Dr Bachulkar enquired why the sanction for the third year of B.Sc. Botany has not come along yet. Principal Dr. Kumbhar briefed the committee that the correspondence for the sanction of third year of B.Sc. Botany and B.A. Home Science is underway and that the administration will look into it further.
- 2. Principal Mrs. Shubhangi Gavade, Secretary, Shri Swami Vivekanand Shikshan Sanstha, said that the guidance and leadership of experts on NEP from Vivekanand College will prove beneficial for the development of Sanstha. She ensured that the Sanstha will be attentive to and take positive steps on suggestion by the College for the implementation of NEP and that the Sanstha is ever ready to resolve any difficulties faced by the college in any NEP implementation. She expressed hope that the college will undertake the progressive journey towards becoming a deemed university. She underlined the need to stay updated and ready for the incumbent changes in the education system.
- 3. Dr. B. M. Hirdekar suggested to refer to IDP Guidelines of UGC to plan and implement career oriented courses and arrange a meeting with the Sanstha representatives for such arrangements.

The meeting ended with the thanks to the chair.

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Executive Chairman,
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