

## NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA

## Minutes of the 43<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on Saturday, January 8, 2024 at 5.00 P.M. (HYBRID Mode)

## **Present:**

- Professor Ved Kumari Vice Chancellor, NLUO
- 2. Hon'ble Dr. Justice Sanjeeb Panigrahi Judge, High Court of Orissa, Cuttack
- 3. Shri Ashok Parija Advocate General of Orissa

(Joined Online)

Prof. V. Vijaykumar,
 Former Vice-Chancellor,
 NLIU, Bhopal

(Joined Online)

Prof. (Dr.) S. Shanthakumar,
 Director,
 Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar

(Joined Online)

- 6. Prof. Sheela Rai Professor of Law, NLUO
- 7. Prof. Dolly Jabbal Professor of Law, NLUO
- 8. Prof. (Dr.) Rangin Pallav Tripathy Registrar, NLUO

Hon'ble Mr. Justice A. S.Bopanna, Judge, Supreme Court of India and Mr. Debi Prasad Dhal expressed their inability to attend the meeting.

Prof. Ved Kumari, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO welcomed the members of the Executive Council to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council. The Chairman in her opening remark thanked all the members for their guidance and cooperation in the all-round development and growth of the University.

The agenda items were presented in the following manner and following decisions were taken by the Executive Council.

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1.	EC: 43/01	Confirmation of the Minutes of 41st Executive Council meeting held on July 24, 2023 and the Action Taken Report.	Confirmed
2.	EC: 43/02	Confirmation of the Minutes of 42 <sup>nd</sup> Executive Council meeting held on August, 27, 2023, and the Action Taken Report.	Confirmed
3.	EC: 43/03	Award of NAAC Grade under Second Assessment Cycle	Noted
4.	EC: 43/04	Reporting Research Projects Awarded to National Law University Odisha.	Noted.
			The Executive Council appreciated the significant increase in the number of research projects compared to earlier years and also appreciated the high value of the research grants.
5.	EC: 43/05	Reporting of Fellowships Received by NLUO Faculty Members.	Noted.  The Executive Council appreciated the fellowship granted to the faculty members and suggested that the University should try to ensure that every year, at least one faculty member gets a fellowship.
6.	EC: 43/06	Report of the Selection Committee meeting held on December 27, 2023 with reference to the Advertisement No: NLUO/FR-003/24.08.2023 for the post of	The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the

		Chief Minister's Chair Professor in Child Rights	appointment of the following candidate as Chief Minister's Chair Professor in Child Right was confirmed;  1. Ms. Biraj Swain
7.	EC: 43/07	Report of the Selection Committee meeting held on December 27, 2023 with reference to the Advertisement No: NLUO/FR-003/24.08.2023 for the post of Researcher under the Chief Minister's Chair Professor in Child Rights	The Executive Council approved the recommendation of the Selection Committee and the appointment of the following candidates as Researchers under the Chief Minister's Chair Professor in Child Right was confirmed;
			<ol> <li>Dr. Swagatika Samal</li> <li>Ms. Sushree Sahu</li> </ol>
8.	EC: 43/08	Approval of Child Care Leave of Dr. A B Debasish Rout	The Executive Council approved the Child Care Leave granted to Dr. AB Debasish Rout.
			The Executive Council also approved the amendment to the Clause 34 of the NLUO Leave Rules 2019 to the extent wherein 'employees' will be entitled to Child Care Leave instead of 'women employees.".
			It was also approved that this amendment may be given effect after further rules are made for effective

		ā	implementation. The proposed rules will be placed in the next meeting of the Executive Council after deliberation with the staff.
9.	EC: 43/09	Approval of Policy on Lien/Deputation	Approved
10.	EC: 43/10	Approval Regarding Procurement of Furniture for Library	The Executive Council approved the procurement of furniture worth Rs. Rs. 65,71,444.78/- as per work order dated 21.06.2023.
			The Executive Council approved procurement of furniture worth Rs. 4,30,02,769.00/- from M/s Pallazio Décor Pvt Ltd.
11.	EC: 43/11	Consideration of Policy Regarding Effective Date for EC Resolution on Pay Protection.	The Executive Council resolved that resolution in the 35th EC Meeting will have prospective effect i.e. from 6th August 2022.  As the resolution was moved on the application of Mr. Kumarjeeb Pegu, he will be entitled to pay protection under the terms of the resolution in the 35th EC meeting.
12.	EC: 43/12	Consideration of Funds for 9th Conference of International Society for Child Indicators.	It was resolved that the University may approach senior bar members in Odisha who may provide support in this regard.  The Vice-Chancellor also

		É	urged the EC members to kindly extend support in this matter and that the University will reach out to the members of EC individually in this regard.
13.	EC: 43/13	Consideration of Plan of Action Regarding Legal Notice from M/s Sahusons	It was resolved that reply may be sent to M/s Sahusons as briefed by the Vice-Chancellor in the meeting.
14.	EC: 43/14	Consideration of Creation of Administrative Position of Director, Recruitment Cell	The EC resolved that the designation be Coordinator, RCC keeping in mind that recruitment is primarily a student led activity.  The EC approved the honorarium of Rs. 10,000/with effect from the date of this resolution.
15.	EC: 43/15	Consideration of Engagement of Advocate for the University	The EC resolved that Hon'ble Dr. Justice Sanjeeb Panigrahi may be consulted in this regard and accordingly, the suggested advocate may be retained.
16.	EC: 43/16	Any other Item with the permission of the Chair	A. It was resolved that the decision regarding regularization of Mr. Mihir Kumar Behera is deferred.  B. It was resolved that the application of Dr. A.K. Ajit for CAS promotion with effect from 2015 will not be considered keeping in mind that he was no longer in service of the University at the time of the consideration of

CAS applications.

- C. The Executive Council approved proposed amendments to the NLUO Sexual Harassment, Prohibition and Redressal Regulation, 2021 concerning provisions regarding Gender the Sensitization Committee in light of the latest **UGC** regulations warranting the amendments.
- D. The Executive Council approved that the Annual Convocation of the University shall be held every year on the third Saturday in the month of August. The Council noted that having a fixed date will provide stability certainty in planning most important event in the University.
  - E. The EC resolved that in case officials being provided official car, no Transport Allowance shall be provided.
  - F. The EC resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to constitute a committee

to formulate comprehensive regulations for teaching staff, statutory officers and also financial regulations. The draft policy shall be placed before the EC in the next meeting.

G. It was resolved that the stipend amount of fulltime Ph.D. scholars may be increased to Rs. 30,000/- per month with effect from this EC with a provision for increase of 10% year. It was resolved that a Ph.D. candidate shall not be paid stipend beyond years from the date of their registration.

H. The EC resolved that for long term benefit the institution, to Proviso to Statute 23 (2) of the Schedule to the NLUO Act, 2009 should be amended to provide for compulsory annual audit by the AG office. It was resolved that the proposed amendment of the **NLUO** statute to provide for compulsory annual

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	University account
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	next EC meeting.
	I. It was resolved that
	the Chancellor may b
	requested to facilitat
	an AG audit of th
	University account
	for the financial year
	2017-18,2018-19,2019-
	20, 2021-22, 2022-23

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

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2. Hon'ble Dr. Justice Sanjeeb Panigrahi

- 3. Shri Ashok Parija (Joined Online)
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