



NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY ODISHA

MINUTES OF 46th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2025

Present:

1. Professor Ved Kumari
Vice Chancellor, NLUO
2. Hon'ble Dr. Justice Sanjeeb Panigrahi
Judge, High Court of Orissa, Cuttack (Joined Online)
3. Prof. V. Vijaykumar,
Former Vice-Chancellor,
NLIU, Bhopal (Joined Online)
4. Mr. Debi Prasad Dhal
Nominee of BCI Chairman (Joined Online)
5. Shri Sitanshu Mohan Dwivedi
Chairman, Bar Council of Orissa (Joined Online)
6. Prof. (Dr.) Rangin Pallav Tripathy
Registrar, NLUO
7. Prof. Paromita Chattoraj
Professor of Law, NLUO (Joined Online)

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay Karol, Shri Pitambar Acharya and Prof. (Dr.) S. Shanthakumar expressed their inability to attend the meeting.

Prof. Ved Kumari, Vice-Chancellor, NLUO welcomed the members of the Executive Council to the 46th Meeting of the Executive Council. The Chairperson 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.

SN	Agenda No.	Agenda Items	Remarks
01	EC: 46/01	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 45 th meeting of the Executive Council of the University held on 16.08. 2024 and the Action Taken Report.	Confirmed
02	EC: 46/02	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 28 th meeting of the Academic Council of the University held on 21.12. 2024.	The Minutes were confirmed other than the agenda item concerning Evaluation of Tutorials. In light of subsequent developments and the fact that the matter will be considered again by the Academic Council in its next meeting. The specific item is referred back to the Academic Council. The Executive Council also resolved that Academic Council may decide on the matter after getting feedback from the Student Council.
03	EC: 46/03	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 24 th meeting of the Finance Committee of the University held on 04.11. 2024.	Approved The Executive Council resolved that the Finance Committee may consider holding its meetings

			preferably may be held physically.
04	EC: 46/04	Confirmation of the Minutes of the 25 th meeting of the Finance Committee of the University held on 24.02. 2025.	As the auditor is yet to submit the internal audit reports of 2024-25, the meeting of the Finance Committee has been deferred to 10 th March 2025.
05	EC: 46/05	Approval of Reservation Roster of Administrative Posts	Approved The EC suggested that a copy of the reservation roster may be shared with the Ministry of Social Justice.
06	EC: 46/06	Proposal Regarding Upgradation of Infrastructure for Installation of Air Conditioners in Hostels	The Executive Council resolved that a revised estimated be prepared where only a single floor in the hostels may be made capable of being fitted with air conditioners. The revised estimate shall be placed before the Executive Council in its next meeting.
07	EC: 46/07	Approval of NLUO Proctorial Board Rules 2024	Approved
08	EC: 46/08	Approval of NLUO Hostel Rules 2024	Approved

09	EC: 46/09	Approval of NLUO Publication Incentive Regulation 2024	Approved
10	EC: 46/10	Approval of NLUO Seed Funding Policy	The Executive Council resolved that the item may first be placed in the Academic Council.
11	EC: 46/11	Regularization of Service of Mr. Rajkumar Pasayat	Approved
12	EC: 46/12	Regularization of Service of Mr. Mihir Kumar Behera	Approved
13	EC: 46/13	Approval for adjustment of Posts in the Cadre of Nurse and ANM	Approved
14	EC: 46/14	Approval for purchase of New Vehicles of the University	Approved
15	EC: 46/15	Approval for hiring Retired Government Employees	Approved
16	EC: 46/16	Approval for payment of Remuneration to Internal Examiners and Supervisors of Ph.D. Thesis	<p>The Executive Council resolved that internal examiners and supervisors shall not be paid honorarium for viva-voce for Ph.D.</p> <p>The Executive Council also resolved that the Academic Council may reconsider the requirement of an internal examiner for conducting the Ph.D. viva-voce.</p>
17	EC: 46/17	Consideration of the representation of Dr. Madhubrata Rayasingh	The EC resolved to defer the matter.

18	EC: 46/18	Consideration for Installation of Solar Panels	<p>The Executive Council approved the proposal to install solar panels.</p> <p>The EC resolved that before spending University money, all possible avenues of getting funding from Government of India/Government of Odisha and also CSR funding from companies should be explored.</p> <p>The EC authorized that in case funding is not available from any external source as mentioned above, the University may spend its own money for installing solar panels as the reduction in electricity bill over a period of time will result in off-setting the expenditure.</p>
19	EC: 46/19	Reporting on Inspection Committee	Noted
20	EC: 46/20	Reporting on Review Commission	Noted
21	EC: 46/21	Hiring Fulltime Chief Warden and Proctor for Effective Maintenance of Campus Discipline	<p>The EC resolved that one Deputy Warden each for Boys' Hostel and Girls Hostel having background in law enforcement should be appointed.</p> <p>The EC resolved that the Chief Warden and Proctor should be a faculty member.</p>
22	EC: 46/22	Reporting of Student Protest	Noted

23	EC: 46/23	Reporting of Joining of the new Finance Officer	Noted
24	EC: 46/24	Proposal Regarding Horizontal Promotions of Administrative Staff	<p>Approved</p> <p>The following clause to be added in Annexure VI of the Recruitment and Promotion Rules 2023;</p> <p>‘Internal Staff of NLUO will be allowed to change their cadre for promotion to the next level if they have the requisite qualification required for the post’.</p>
25	EC: 46/25	Any other item with permission of the Chair	<p>The Vice-Chancellor brought to the notice of the Executive Council the matter concerning non-cooperation of a Former Registrar I/C in providing explanation regarding prima facie financial irregularities in payments made to a contractor. The irregularities came to notice because the University faced persistent pressure from the Commissioner of GST and Central Excise to settle the accounts of the concerned contractor so that the GST can be collected. The University received notices from the Commissioner of GST and Central Excise to complete verification of bills of the concerned contractor. The</p>

			<p>University also received a warning that its accounts may be frozen.</p> <p>The University found it extremely difficult to verify the bills due to major irregularities.</p> <p>The Vice-Chancellor appraised the Council how the former Registrar I/C has not responded to letters issued to her for providing explanation in this regard.</p> <p>The Vice-Chancellor also appraised the Executive Council of other complaints against the same person of dereliction of duty, indiscipline and misconduct.</p> <p>Taking cognizance of the matter, the Executive Council too strong note of the dereliction of duty, indiscipline and misconduct on the part the same person.</p> <p>The Executive Council resolved non-response to such notices amounts to serious dereliction of duty. It further resolved that final notice may be issued seeking explanation on all the matters brought to the notice of the Executive Council.</p> <p>The Executive Council resolved that the University should prioritize building of residential</p>
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