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GOVERNING BODY MEETING

DATE : 18 December 2020

TIME : 11.00 A.M.

Online Meeting through Zoom Platform

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF AMITY UNIVERSITY MADHYA PRADESH, GWALIOR HELD ON 18 DEC 2020

- **1.** Due to prevailing uncertain pandemic situation of COVID-19, the 21st meeting of the Governing Body of Amity University Madhya Pradesh (AUMP) was conducted online on Zoom platform on Friday, 18 December 2020 at 1100 hours.
- **2.** The Agenda Points proposed to be discussed during the meeting were earlier circulated to all members and are attached as *Appendix-A*. List of members of Governing Body of Amity University Madhya Pradesh present in the meeting is attached as *Appendix-B*.
- **3.** The Governing Body then proceeded to discuss the agenda points. The details of discussion are given in succeeding paragraphs.
- 4. Agenda Item No. 1: Welcome Address by the Vice- Chancellor, Lt Gen V K Sharma, AVSM (Retd), Vice Chancellor, AUMP, welcomed all distinguished members of the Governing Body and expressed his gratitude to members for sparing their valuable time to attend the meeting. He also welcomed and expressed his sincere thanks to the Hon'ble Chancellor & Chairman for sparing his valuable time to Chair the meeting, inspite of his very busy schedule. He informed the members that this is the 2nd Governing Body Meeting for the year 2020 being conducted online. He informed the learned members that the University had submitted the Self Study Report (SSR) to NAAC and the Data Verification and Validation (DVV) process has already started. He mentioned that the University is busy in organizing webinars and expressed that the University will do its best in times to come with the support of all the members. He once again welcomed all the distinguish members of the Governing Body and invited the Hon'ble Chancellor & Chairman, AUMP to deliver his opening remarks.
- 5. Agenda Item No. 2: Opening Remarks by the Hon'ble Chancellor & Chairman, AUMP. Dr Aseem Chauhan, Hon'ble Chancellor & Chairman, AUMP, also extended a warm welcome to all the distinguished members of the Governing Body. Hon'ble Chairman, in his address stated that we are going through a Challenging times and briefly described about the services provided to the students for their welfare by the University, concerns about

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managing the uncertainty going on in the minds of students, parents, faculty and staff members. He mentioned that we have gone forward since then and that the meeting shall cover on addressing these issues, improvement in delivery of online teaching and the support given to the students and their family members during this difficult time. Further, he stated that the actions carried out by the University were exemplary and any time a student came up with any problem, the same have been timely addressed, any staff or faculty member who had fallen sick have been taken care in whatever manner possible by the management, thus the philosophy that we are a family has been illustrated in letter and spirit at Amity. Dr Chauhan mentioned that the University must focus on improvements with its experience of lockdown since last 08 months vis-à-vis the strategic areas of growth that may not have existed earlier and leverage our learning and take it forward, when things become normal. He said that AUMP is a young and vibrant university keeping its flag high with high quality education in a small town of the country, which has diverse students and teachers coming from all over the country. With these brief words, the Chairman asked the Vice Chancellor to take the meeting forward and conveyed his gratitude to all members of the University for continuing to strive for excellence.

- 6. Agenda Item No. 3: Ratification of Minutes of the 14th Governing Body Meeting held on 15 July 2020. The Registrar of the University briefed the minutes of the 14th Governing Body Meeting held on 15 July 2020 to all the members through power point presentation for ratification. The same were ratified by the members and are attached as Appendix-C.
- Agenda Item No. 4: Ratification of Minutes of the Meeting of Board of 7. Management held on 09 Oct 2020. The minutes of meeting of Board of Management held on 09 Oct 2020 was briefed to the members by the Registrar through power point presentation for ratification. The same were ratified by the members and are attached as Appendix -D.
- Agenda Item No. 5: Ratification of Minutes of the Meeting of Board of 8. Management held on 04 Dec 2020. The minutes of meeting of Board of Management held on 04 Dec 2020 was briefed to the members by the Registrar again through power point presentation for ratification. The same were ratified by the members and are attached as Appendix -E. Dys Lain

- 9. Agenda Item No. 6: Approval of final Balance Sheet along with Income & Expenditure Statement of the University for the FY 2019-20. The Final Balance Sheet along with the Income and Expenditure statement of the University for the Financial Year 2019-20 was put up before the Governing Body members for approval. The same was approved and is attached as Appendix F.
- 10. Agenda Item No. 7: Presentation on Action Taken Report of last Governing Body Meeting held on 15 July 2020 and Major Events conducted by the University during lock down. The Vice Chancellor briefed the members regarding the action taken wrt to the suggestions made in the last Governing Body Meeting held on 15th July 2020 through a power point presentation. The members were satisfied and appreciated the Action Taken Report presented by Hon'ble VC.

Hon'ble VC presented the Major Events conducted by the University during the lock down and informed the members that the NAAC had accepted the IIQA submitted by the University and subsequently, the University had submitted its SSR on 11 December 2020. He further mentioned that the DVV process has already commenced and the University has moved forward to be NAAC accredited University which might happen early next year. He took pride in informing all the members of the Governing Body that last year the NIRF had ranked the University in top 200 University in Overall Category and 162nd rank in Engineering Category. He said that ASET was the only private engineering institution in entire Madhya Pradesh listed in NIRF Ranking. The Vice Chancellor informed the members that this year the University has registered itself for 04 categories i.e. Overall, Engineering, Management and Law Category for NIRF Ranking 2021. He also informed the members that the University conducted a total of 104 webinars, 23 workshops and 03 international conferences that had large participation from all over the world. He also presented the activities carried out by the University on the occasion of Innovation Week celebrated from 24 to 30 September, 2020. International Day of Yoga was celebrated by the University online on 21st June, 2020 and a competition was organized during 15-21 June, 2020. He informed that online yoga classes are also being conducted from 0700 hrs to 0800 hrs on alternate days for interested staff, faculty members and students of the University. Information on upgrading the Centre for Fake News

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Detection and Disinformation to Centre for Excellence was given by him. With a great pride the Vice Chancellor informed the members that a Mediation Centre was inaugurated by Hon'ble Chief Justice of High Court of Madhya Pradesh on 17 December, 2020 in the University. AUMP is the only private University to have Mediation Centre in Madhya Pradesh. The University had distributed food packets and face masks to the underprivileged and migrant labors during lock down. A Senior Wing NCC Boys Unit with strength of 53 cadets was established in the University. He informed the members that the Orientation program was conducted for the newly admitted student on 31st August and 1st September, 2020, followed by commencement of their online classes. He briefed the members about the online examination conducted by the university. He also informed about the statutory meetings conducted by the University. He also gave an overview of the research and publication which took place during the lockdown period. He also made a detailed report about the placement activities of the University. The Vice Chancellor also briefed the members on the awards received by the University, its faculty members and students. With this he ended his presentation and asked the Registrar to go ahead with the remaining agenda points.

- 11. Agenda Item No. 8: Presentation by Pro Vice Chancellor and Chairman, Directorate of Research & Publication on status of research at AUMP. Prof (Dr) M P Kaushik, Pro- Vice Chancellor and Chairman of Directorate of Research and Publications, AUMP gave a power point presentation on status of research at AUMP. He explained about the research activities done and planned for the past/coming years. The Hon'ble Chancellor & Chairman and members of the Governing Body appreciated the presentation and the activities carried out for research.
- 12. Agenda Item No. 9: Suggestions from Governing Body Members on Enhancing Academic Excellence, Research and Innovation at AU MP. Following suggestions were made by the distinguished members of the Governing Body:-
 - (a) Prof (Dr) Rajesh Singh congratulated the Vice Chancellor and his team for carrying out excellent work in the area of Research and Publication. He also appreciated the number of webinars, workshops and conferences organized by the University. He suggested to include local students and local stake holders to

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participate during the Innovation Week Celebration to get new ideas on local issues/problems.

- (b) Prof (Dr) Padmakali Benerjee appreciated the commendable work carried out by the University in terms of Research and Awards received by the University and its faculty members. She suggested that information on blended learning and use of ICT in teaching and learning, guidance & mentorship for better placements may be included in the presentation so that the members of the Governing Body can come to know about it.
- (c) Dr. Mahendra Singh Raghuwanshi also congratulated the team of the University. He asked the university to plan its activities for making Atma Nirbhar Madhya Pradesh. He also emphasized on organizing orientation and refresher programs for university teachers.
- (d) Dr. Rajesh Kumar Dixit congratulated the University for making excellent progress especially in the area of research and innovation. He suggested that the University can opt for flipped classroom for online content delivery to the students. He also suggested to have the curriculum structure more flexible for a program and new approaches for assessment especially assessing through online modes.
- (e) Hon'ble Chancellor & Chairman, AUMP asked the Vice Chancellor about the areas in which the University has not achieved success or would like to do better. For which the Vice Chancellor replied that efforts to get more research projects and government funding will be the priority and further added that there should be a cell at HQ who can coordinate with various funding agencies to make sure that the submitted projects get sanctioned. Hon'ble Chairman asked Pro-Vice Chancellor to prepare and submit the details of the projects and timelines, so that he can ask the scientist at HQ to follow it up with the funding agencies. He also mentioned that the project should go through by a vetting committee which shall look upon the quality and find out whether it is aligned with the priorities of the funding agencies. Hon'ble Chairman also said that he can propose some of the name who can review the research projects. Another point stressed upon by the Hon'ble Chairman was the Tribal Development. He also asked the Vice Chancellor to be in touch with the Governing Body Members and send them the updates and keep them informed for all things happening at Amity Group.

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- 13. The Vice Chancellor welcomed all the inputs given by the Governing Body members and assured the Hon'ble Chancellor and Chairman that the University will try its best to meet the expectations of our revered Chancellor and Chairman AU MP and the esteemed members of the Governing Body. He wished a very happy New Year in advance to all the members.
- **14. Agenda Item No. 10: Any other Item with the Permission of the Chair.** There being no other point, the meeting concluded at 1300 hours with a word of thanks to the chair and distinguished members of the Governing Body.

Date: 28.12.2020 Place: Gwalior

Rajesh Jain Registrar, AUMP and

Member Secretary Governing Body

Approved by

Vice Chancellor



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