

**RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW,
PUNJAB**



**Minutes
of
The Meeting of General Council
Held on
22nd April, 2021**



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(Established under the Punjab Act No. 12 of 2006)

(Accredited with 'A' Grade by NAAC)

Minutes of the 17th Meeting of the General Council of the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, held on 22nd April, 2021 at 04:00 p.m. through online mode. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jaswant Singh, Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh and Member, General Council, RGNUL Punjab chaired the meeting.

The following were present:

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| (1) | HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASWANT SINGH
Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh, and
Member, General Council, RGNUL, Punjab | (CHAIRPERSON) |
| (2) | HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE RAJAN GUPTA
Judge, Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh, and
Member, General Council, RGNUL, Punjab | MEMBER |
| (3) | PROFESSOR (DR.) ANAND PAWAR
Officiating Vice-Chancellor,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, | MEMBER |
| (4) | MR. ANURAG AGGARWAL, IAS
Additional Chief Secretary, Home, Government of Punjab,
Representing, the Chief Secretary, Punjab. | MEMBER |
| (5) | MR. SATISH KUMAR AGGARWAL
Legal Remembrancer and Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
Department of Legal and Legislative Affairs, Punjab,
Chandigarh | MEMBER |
| (6) | MR. K.A.P. SINHA, IAS
Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
Department of Finance, Punjab, Chandigarh | MEMBER |
| (7) | MR. V.K. MEENA, IAS
Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
Department of Higher Education & Languages,
Chandigarh | MEMBER |
| (8) | MR. PARTAP SINGH ADVOCATE
Representing Chairman, Bar Council of India,
New Delhi | MEMBER |
| (9) | MR. MINDERJEET YADAV
Chairman, State Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana,
Chandigarh | MEMBER |
| (10) | PROFESSOR (DR.) R. VENKATA RAO
Chairperson,
Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies,
New Delhi | MEMBER |

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| (11) | PROFESSOR (DR.) RANBIR SINGH
Former Vice Chancellor, National Law University,
Delhi | MEMBER |
| (12) | PROFESSOR (DR.) SHERRY SABBARWAL
Former Chairperson, Department of Sociology,
Panjab University, Chandigarh | MEMBER |
| (13) | PROFESSOR (DR.) JITENDRA MOHAN
Professor Emeritus, Department of Psychology,
Panjab University, Chandigarh | MEMBER |
| (14) | PROFESSOR (DR.) NARESH KUMAR VATS
Officiating Registrar,
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab | (MEMBER/SECRETARY) |

Mr. K.K. Venugopal, Attorney General of India, and Mr. Atul Nanda, Advocate General, Punjab, could not attend the meeting.

Hon'ble Chairperson welcomed all the Members of the General Council on behalf of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ravi Shanker Jha, Chief Justice, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh and Chancellor, RGNUL, Punjab and requested Professor (Dr.) Anand Pawar, Officiating Vice-Chancellor, RGNUL to present the agenda items. Prof. Pawar before presenting the agenda welcomed the new members of the General Council and introduced other members to them. Thereafter, Prof. Pawar presented the agenda items as under:

ITEM (1) To confirm the Minutes and Action Taken Report of the previous meeting of the General Council held on 19.02.2020. (Annexure-1)

The Vice-Chancellor read out the Minutes and Action Taken Report of the previous meeting of the General Council held on 19.02.2020. The minutes of the previous meeting of the General Council held on 19.2.2020 have already been uploaded on the website of the University, no comments have been received from any member till date.

Discussion :

On the query of the Hon'ble Chairperson about the grants received from the Government of Punjab by the University in the previous financial years, the Vice-Chancellor explained, that in the previous financial year 2019-20 the State Government of Punjab released the grant of Rs. 07 Crore to the University, however for the financial year 2020-21 the General Council in its meeting dated 19.2.2020 approved the provision of the Maintenance grant of Rs. 15 Crore and Capital grant of Rs. 3 Crore but no grant was received from Government of Punjab during financial year 2020-21.

Decision:

The Hon'ble Members of the General Council perused the Minutes and Action Taken Report of the previous meeting of the General Council held on 19.02.2020 (Annexure-1) and unanimously resolved to approve the same.



ITEM (2) To consider the RGNUL Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2021-22 as recommended by the Finance Committee and the Executive Council at their respective meetings held on 25.03.2021 and 27.03.2021 (Annexure-2).

A Maintenance Grant:

Sr. No.	Particulars	Estimates for 2021-22 Amounts (Rs.)
A	Receipts	
	Opening Fund Balance	5,09,92,787
	Estimated Net Revenue Receipts for Academic Session 2021-22	25,26,38,602
	Total Estimated Revenue Receipts	30,36,31,389
B	Expenditure	
	Total Revenue Expenditure	40,10,10,737
	Annual Revenue Budget Deficit (-) (A-B)	- 9,73,79,348
	(C) Say	- 9,73,79,000

B Capital Grant :

Sr. No.	Particulars	Estimates for 2021-22 Amounts (Rs.)
	Opening Balance	-1,96,11,694
D	Receipts	
(i)	Estimated Net Capital Grants/Receipts for 2021-22	5,02,30,000
	Total Estimated Capital Receipts	3,06,18,306
E	Estimated Capital Expenditure on University Infrastructure Development/Building Repair & Maintenance/Construction Wing for the year 2021-22	3,27,00,000
	Annual Capital Expenditure Deficit (D-E)	- 20,81,694
	(F) Say	- 20,82,000

The Vice-Chancellor read out that RGNUL Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2021-22, were placed before the Finance Committee in its meeting held on 25.03.2021 for consideration. The Finance Committee unanimously resolved to approve and recommended the Budget Estimates for approval of the Executive Council.

The Executive Council of the RGNUL considered Budget Estimates 2021-22 in its meeting held on 27.03.2021, as recommended by the Finance Committee and Hon'ble Members of the Executive Council unanimously resolved to approve the same and further recommended it to the General Council, for consideration, approval and for its implementation w.e.f. 01.04.2021.

Discussion:

In response to the observation of the Hon'ble Chairperson regarding estimated Maintenance Grant of Rs. 10 Crore and Capital Grant of Rs. 5 Crore the members proposed that the Capital Grant of Rs. 5 Crore may be kept on hold for this financial year 2021-22, but the Govt. of Punjab should consider the timely release of Maintenance Grant of Rs. 10 Crore. The University authorities were advised to coordinate with the Principal Secretary Finance, Govt. of Punjab, in this regard. The Principal Secretary Finance, Govt. of Punjab, keeping in mind that no grant was released in previous financial year 2020-21 by the Government of Punjab to the University, has assured the Hon'ble Chairperson to release the amount of proposed Maintenance Grant of Rs. 10 Crore at the earliest.



Decision:

After thoughtful consideration and detailed discussion, the Hon'ble Members of the General Council unanimously resolved to approve Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2021-22 as recommended by the Finance Committee and the Executive Council at their respective meetings held on 25.03.2021 and 27.03.2021 respectively (Annexure-2). This includes the proposed Financial Grant from Government of Punjab of Rs. 5 Crore on Capital Side and Rs. 10 Crore on Maintenance Side.

- ITEM (3)** To consider the Balance Sheet of Accounts of Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, for the Financial Year 2019-20, as recommended by the Finance Committee and the Executive Council at their respective meetings held on 25.03.2021 and 27.03.2021 (Annexure-3).

The Vice-Chancellor read out that this University was established in May 2006 under *Punjab Act No. 12 of 2006* and it has been functioning from its location Sidhuwal, Bhadson Road, Patiala.

The Figures reflected in the Balance Sheet as on 31st March, 2020 are as per schedule 1 to 24 attached with the Balance Sheet. The Figures reflected in Income and Expenditure Accounts as on 31st March 2020 are as per schedule 1 to 5 attached to the Income and Expenditure Account. Receipt and Payment Account as on 31st March, 2020 is as per Cash Book/Receipt and Expenditure Registers. Receipts and Payments Account of Building Fund Account for the year ending 31st March, 2020 is as per Actual Receipts and Payments as per Cash Book.

Decision:

The Hon'ble Members perused the Balance Sheet of Accounts of Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab for the Financial Year 2019-2020 as recommended by the RGNUL Finance Committee and the Executive Council at their respective meetings held on 25.03.2021 and 27.03.2021 respectively (Annexure-3) and unanimously approved the same.

- ITEM (4)** To peruse and approve the Annual Report of Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, for the Academic Session 2020-21 (Annexure-4).

The Vice-Chancellor read out that RGNUL has been functioning since July 2006. Now, it is in its 15th Academic Session. In terms of Section 12(2) of RGNUL Act and Statute 3 the Annual Report for the Academic Session 2020-21 is placed before the Hon'ble Members of the General Council.

The Annual Report includes:

Part I — Report on the Working of the University
Section-A Academic Work



Section-B Administrative Work

Section-C Pending Work

Part II — Financial Estimates of the University for 2021-2022, as per Annexure-2 of the Agenda

Part III — Statement of Receipts and Expenditure and Balance Sheet (Audited for 2019-2020) as per Annexure-3 of the Agenda

Decision:

The Hon'ble Members of the General Council perused the RGNUL Annual Report for the Academic Session 2020-2021 (Annexure-4) and unanimously approved the same and the members appreciated the university and its faculty members/staff for doing good academic work.

In this regard, the Hon'ble Members of the General Council acknowledged and appreciated the contribution of the former Vice-Chancellor, Professor (Dr.) Paramjit S. Jaswal.

The Meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Hon'ble Chairperson.



Vice-Chancellor


Registrar

Approved By



Hon'ble Chairperson

Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jaswant Singh