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PROCEEDINGS OF THE 20th GOVERNING BODY MEETING

(March 23rd, 2017)



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Dr. Ajit Singh requested the members for any other suggestion/comments on the Annual Budget for the financial year 2017-18. All the Hon'ble members gave their positive consent and approved the Budget.

Item No. 3

Proposal to admit only girls students in Undergraduate as well as in Postgraduate courses from the Academic Session 2017-18 onwards in the Eternal University.

Dr. Ajit Singh placed the item in the house and informed that the University had received a Resolution passed by the Parental Body i.e. The Kalgidhar Trust in a meeting of the "Board of Trustees of the Kalgidhar Trust" held at Baru Sahib on 12th October 2016. Dr. Ajit Singh read out the passed resolution as under:
"Resolved unanimously that from the academic session 2017-18 onwards, the Eternal University Baru Sahib, Distt. Sirmour, Himachal Pradesh, shall admit only female students in all its Undergraduate and Post Graduate courses".

Dr. Ajit Singh told that the item was also placed in the Academic Council Meeting as well as in the Board of Management meeting held on 27th February 2017 in which some reservation were expressed by the Hon'ble Members present in the meetings. These were also circulated along with the agenda item.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor said that University had started the admission process of boys in the Post Graduate Courses for the Academic Session 2017-18 provisionally as the final approval of Governing Body was awaited.

Hon'ble member Dr. A.R. Chauhan enquired the reason behind not to admit boys in the PG Courses.

Dr. A.R. Chauhan appreciated the reservation and suggestions given by Mr. D.K. Sharma, Dr. Jagmohan Singh Chauhan and Mr R.L. Chauhan in the Board of Management meeting held on 27th February 2017 to get the formalities completed from the HP HrEdn and HP-PERC.

Mr. D.K. Sharma again requested Hon'ble Chancellor Ji to get the sanction from HP Govt, and get the university Act amended before implementing the new system and also suggested to implement it from the Academic session 2018-19.



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Dr. A.R. Chauhan questioned whether it has been defined in the act to admit boys in the University. Dr. Ajit Singh read out the Clause 5(2) of the Act in the house in which the word no discrimination on the basis 'Sex' has only been mentioned and there is no such clause pertaining to the admission of girls and boys.

Dr. Neelam Kaur also expressed that in the Act it has not been specified to get admission of male or female students. It is a matter of university authorities to decide about the admission of boys and girls.

Hon'ble Chancellor Ji put forth that earlier there was also the decision of the Governing Body to admit only girls in undergraduate courses and no such prior permission and amendment in the Act was sought from the HP Govt when the only girl students were admitted in UG Courses. Hon'ble Chancellor Ji also indicated that it may take a long time to get the permission of the HP Government and to implement the same. The Hon'ble Chancellor Ji suggested the house to pass the resolution as given by the Kalgidhar Trust on 12th October, 2016.

Further, Hon'ble Chancellor Ji expressed that the decisions of the Governing Body are supreme. However, if there will be any objection from the HP Government, it will be settled accordingly.

The Chancellor informed the house that The Kalgidhar Trust has been supporting and promoting Rural Women Empowerment for the last three decades. He further added that this is the aim of the Himachal Government too. Dr. H.S. Dhaliwal agreed with the proposal by saying that "Beti Bachao, Beti Paraho" programme is also being advocated by many State Governments. Dr. A.R. Chauhan, Dr. D.J. Das Gupta and Mr. D.K. Sharma also agreed with the views as the University is going to promote Women Empowerment and Eternal University will be the first university of the state to adopt this model even with all the financial losses due to declared change in the admission policy.

Hon'ble Member Dr. Gurmail Singh, Vice Chancellor, Akal University, Talwandi Sabo, told that it is not mandatory to get any amendment in the act as there is no such clause therein and also no need to inform the HP Government for discontinuation of admission of the boys in the Eternal University from the Academic session, 2017-18.



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Hon'ble Member Dr. A.R. Chauhan also supplemented that he had gone through the Act and there is no need to take up the case for amendment of the Act regarding admission.

Hon'ble Chancellor Ji as well as all the members present in the house agreed with the valuable suggestion of Dr. Gurmail Singh.

Dr. A.R. Chauhan appreciated the step proposed by The Kalgidhar Trust and also told that the University will meet the slogan "BetiBachao, BetiParaho" as the University will be purely for girl students.

While summing up of the discussion, the House agreed with the decision of The Kalgidhar Trust, which is the parent body of the Eternal University, Baru Sahib to admit only female students in all its Undergraduate and Post Graduate Courses with effect from the Academic session 2017-18 onwards and approved the item.

Item No 4

Revision of Children Education Allowance (CEA) in respect of Eternal University Faculty/Staff whose ward is/are studying in Akal Academy Baru Sahib.

Dr. Ajit Singh placed the item in the house and explained.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor told that there may be approximately 9-10 children of the Eternal university faculty/staff at a time who are studying in the Akal Academy Baru Sahib. Earlier it was decided in the meeting of Governing Body held on 25th Aug 2015 (Item No5) that a concession of 5-15% of the tuition fee will be given to the parent employed in the Eternal University. Some of the faculty members requested to get the concession increased.

Keeping in view the retention of the faculty as well as of the staff of Eternal University, it was proposed to increase the tuition fee concession from the existing average 5-15% to the revised rate of 50% with effect from 01st April 2017 onwards. Rest of the conditions will remain unchanged.

All the members appreciated this step and told that with this, the faculty member/staff will serve the University with more commitment.

Hon'ble Chancellor Ji agreed and approved it along with the house.

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