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# **FOREST RESEARCH INSTITUTE (DEEMED) UNIVERSITY**

## **Minutes of the Meeting of Board of Management held on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2013**

The Meeting of the Board of Management was held on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2013 at 4.00 PM in the Conference Hall of FRI (Deemed) under the Chairmanship of Dr. V.K. Bahuguna, Director General, ICFRE & Chancellor, FRI (Deemed) University Dehradun. Besides the chairman, following were present in the meeting: -

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| 1. Dr. P.P. Bhojvaid, Director, FRI & V.C., FRIDU       | - Member Secretary     |
| 2. Shri Omkar Singh, DDG (Education), ICFRE             | - Member               |
| 3. Sh. Saibal Da. Gupta, DDG (Extension), ICFRE         | - Member               |
| 4. Dr. T. P. Singla, ADG, ICFRE                         | - Member               |
| 5. Dr. R.K. Aima, IFS Dean (Academic), FRIDU            | - Member               |
| 6. Dr. N.S.K. Harsh, Scientist-G, FRI                   | - Member               |
| 7. Dr. Sadhna Tripathi, Scientist-F, FRI                | - Member               |
| 8. Dr. A.K. Tripathi, Registrar FRI (Deemed) University | - Non Member Secretary |

At the outset, Dr. P.P. Bhojvaid, Director, FRI & Vice Chancellor, FRI (Deemed) University (Member Secretary) welcomed the Chairman and all other members to the meeting of the Board of Management. Thereafter, the Chairman, Dr. V.K. Bahuguna, DG, ICFRE & Chancellor FRI (Deemed) University addressed the members and also expressed his satisfaction over the progress of FRI (Deemed) University. Thereafter, with the permission of the Chairman, the Registrar, FRI (Deemed) University took up the agenda items one by one.

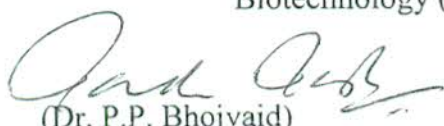
### **Resolution No.1/2013 : To confirm the minutes and compliance report of the meeting of the Board of Management held on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2011.**

The Honorable members having gone through the compliance report confirmed the minutes of the last meeting of Board of Management held on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2011.

### **Resolution No.2/2013: To consider award of Degree/Diplomas to the students of FRI (Deemed) University and formally passing the grace for award of the Degrees/Diplomas to the Ph.D. research scholars and students.**

The members having considered the agenda item no. 2, **resolved** to pass the grace for award of Ph.D. Degrees to the 83 successful research scholars as per the list annexed. The members further passed the grace for award of Degree/Diploma to the students of M.Sc/ Diploma courses as per the list annexed with the agenda item. The course-wise number of awardees is as follows:-

i) Ph.D. in Forestry	-	83
ii) M.Sc. Forestry (2010-2012) batch	-	36
iii) M.Sc. Environment Management (2010-2012) batch	-	36
iv) M.Sc. Wood Science & Technology (2010-2012) batch	-	32
v) PMD in Natural Resource Management (2011-2012) batch	-	03
vii) PGD in Forest Genetics Tree Improvement & Biotechnology (2011-2012) batch	-	02



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**Resolution No.3/2013- To consider the recommendation of Fee committee for rising the fee structure of M.Sc., PG Diploma & Ph.D. Courses.**

Having considered the recommendation of Fee Committee for raising the fee structure of M.Sc., P.G. Diploma & Ph.D. of the FRI Deemed University, the Board of Management has resolved to enhance the fee as under:-

**Revised Fee Structure in the Fee Structure of M.Sc./ P.G. Diploma Courses**

**1<sup>st</sup> Semester at the time of admission**

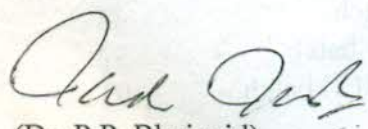
Sl. No.	Item	Revised Fee (in Rs.)
1	Misc. Fee/Sports / Cultural Fee (at the time of admission)	2000.00
2	Degree Fee (at the time of admission)	200.00
3	Tuition Fee per semester	22,000.00
4	Hostel charges per semester Double occupancy	3000.00
5	Electricity, Water & Other maintenance per semester	1200.00
6	Library/Teaching aid per semester	1000.00
7	Caution Money (refundable) one time	3000.00
8	Semester Exam Fee M.Sc./PGD/PMD courses	500.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>32900.00</b>

**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester**

1	Tuition fees per semester	22000.00
2	Hostel charges per semester Double occupancy	3000.00
3	Electricity Water & Other maintenance per semester	1200.00
4	Library/Teaching aid per semester	1000.00
5	Semester Exam Fee M.Sc./PGD/PMD courses	500.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>27700.00</b>

**3<sup>rd</sup> Semester**

1	Tuition fees per semester	22000.00
2	Hostel charges per semester Double occupancy	3000.00
3	Electricity Water & Other maintenance per semester	1200.00
4	Library/Teaching aid per semester	1000.00
5	Semester Exam Fee M.Sc./PGD/PMD courses	500.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>27700.00</b>



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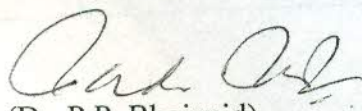
4 <sup>th</sup> Semester		
1	Tution fees per semester	22000.00
2	Hostel charges per semester Double occupancy	3000.00
3	Electricity Water & Other maintenance per semester	1200.00
4	Library/Teaching aid per semester	1000.00
5	Semester Exam Fee M.Sc./PGD/PMD courses	500.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>27700.00</b>

The above fee structure will be effective with effect from the session July 2013.

### Revised Fee Structure of Ph.D. Programme

Fee structure	Revised Fee (in Rs.)
<b>Fee to be deposited at the time of initial reporting</b>	
Compulsory Course fee (to be paid to respective research centers)	2000.00
Library fee per year ( to be paid to respective research centers till submission of thesis)	2000.00
Caution Money (Refundable) (to be paid to respective research centers)	2000.00
<b>Fee to be deposited at the time of Registration after Synopsis Seminar</b>	
Registration/Enrolment Fee	15000.00
Annual fee (to be deposited annually till submission of thesis)	10000.00
Cultural/Sports/Magazine	1500.00
Laboratory fee (to be charged by the research centers concerned annually for first two years of registration)	5000.00
Late fee	500.00
<b>Other fees</b>	
Thesis fee (to be deposited at the time of submission of thesis)	15000.00
Revision of Thesis fee	2000.00
Viva-Voce exam fee (to be deposited at the time of submission of thesis)	2000.00
Provisional Degree Fee	100.00
Degree Fee	200.00

The above enhancement in fee shall be effective with effect from 01.03.2013 irrespective of date of registration. Therefore, the Ph.D. Scholars registered prior to 01.03.2013 shall also have to deposit the enhanced fee with effect from 01.03.2013. The Ph.D. Research Scholars registered with effect from 01.03.2013 shall have to deposit the fee as per the revised fee structure.



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**Resolution no. 4:- To consider the issue of engagement of Contractual faculty member in FRI (Deemed) University.**

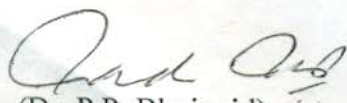
The members discussed the agenda at great length and felt that there is dire need to supplement the teaching strength of FRI (Deemed) University and resolved to engage the teaching professionals on consultancy basis mutatis mutandis as per the approval of Board of Governors of ICFRE. Members resolved that Contractual faculty may be engaged in different fields as per the requirement of FRI (Deemed) University and a committee may be set up by Vice-chancellor, FRI (Deemed) University to frame the guidelines for engagement of contractual faculty on fixed amount and for fixed period. The Chairman also felt that such outputs will enhance the University's capacity and also student's placement.

**Resolution no. 5: To consider the issue of designation of the faculty of FRI (Deemed) University as per UGC norms.**

Having considering the issue of designation of faculty of FRI (Deemed) University as per UGC norms, the members discussed in detail as per the observations of the UGC review committee and **resolved** to approve the agenda as under:-

(i)

As per ICFRE norms				As per UGC norms			Approved Designation for FRIDU faculty
Sl. No.	Designation	Pay Band	Grade Pay	Designation	Pay Band	Grade Pay	
1	Scientist-B	15,600-39,100	5400/-	Assistant Professor	15,600-39,100	6,600/-	Assistant Professor
2	Scientist-C	15,600-39,100	6600/-	Assistant Professor (Senior Scale)	15,600-39,100	7,200/-	Assistant Professor (Senior Scale)
3	Scientist-D	15,600-39,100	7600/-	Assistant Professor (Selection Grade)/ Associate Professor	15,600-39,100	8,000/-	Associate Professor
4	Scientist-E	37,400-67,000	8,700/-	Professor	37,400-67,000	10,000/-	Professor
5	Scientist-F	37,400-67,000	8,900/-	Senior Professor	37,400-67,000	12,000/-	Professor
6	Scientist-G	37,400-67,000	10,000/-	Pro.-VC	37,400-67,000 Plus 4 Advance Increments	12,000/-	Professor



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- (ii) The committee's recommendation is only to come closest to the UGC norms and strictly only for designation purpose without any financial implication.
- (iii) The (Scientist/Forest Officers) may use these designations as per eligibility criteria on their own choice. There would be no binding/compulsion from ICFRE/FRI/FRI (Deemed) University to use these designations.
- (iv) Adoption of these designations will entirely be on the choice of the faculty (Scientist/Forest Officers) and their service will strictly be governed by ICFRE rules and in case of any clash, only the ICFRE rules will prevail.
- (v) Adoption of these designations will be applicable from prospective date. In any case the faculty cannot use/apply these designations from retrospective date.

The members have also recommended that after that the other scientists of FRI/ICFRE will now be designated as Scientist-/Asstt. Professor/Assistant Prof.(Sr. Scale)/Asstt. Prof. (Selection Grade) or Associate Prof./Professor respectively. The name plates of the each officer may also be fixed outside of their rooms accordingly and visiting cards must also reflect the same.

**Resolution no. 6:- To consider the issue of creation of separate society in the name and style of FRI (Deemed) University as required under the UGC guidelines.**

Member considered the issue of creation of separate society in the name and style of FRI (Deemed) University as required under the UGC guidelines. The matter was carefully examined and members resolved that presently FRI & FRI (Deemed) University are parts of ICFRE society and at this stage, it is not required to create a separate society in the name of University. Agenda has been dropped.

**Resolution no. 7:- To consider the issue of categorization of existing divisions of FRI into P.G. departments.**

The Board of Management considered the issue of categorization of existing divisions of FRI into P.G. departments as per the recommendations of the review committee of UGC and resolved to categorize the existing divisions of FRI into following 6 P.G. departments:-

Sl. No.	Name of the Department	Division/Disciplines Included
1	Department of Bioscience	Pathology, Entomology, Botany (Taxonomy & Physiology)
2	Department of Bio-product Chemistry	Chemistry of Forest Products, NWFP, Cellulose & Paper Technology
3	Department of Biotechnology	Genetics & Tree Propagation, Forest Informatics Division, tissue Culture
4	Department of Wood Science	Forest Products Divisions, Wood Anatomy (Botany)
5	Department of Ecology, Environment & Climate change	Forest Ecology & Environment division, Forest Soil & Land Reclamation Division, Climate Change division
6	Department of Silviculture Research	Resource Survey Management, Silviculture, Extension Division



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The Chairman has also directed to display the Boards in front of each department accordingly. There will be no separate Heads for these six PG Departments and for all other matters only the existing system of ICFRE/FRI will prevail.

**Resolution no. 8:- To Consider the issue of revival of P.G. Diploma course in Plantation Technology**

Members were informed by the Dean (Academics) that presently Forestry students of the University are not getting very good placement. Members also felt that opening of new PG Diploma in Plantation Technology will adversely affect the placement of Forestry Students. After great discussion, it is **resolved** that in the 2nd year of M.Sc. Forestry course, there will be a specialization course in Plantation Technology instead of starting of P.G. Diploma course in Plantation Technology. The meeting of Board of studies may be convened to frame the syllabus accordingly.

**Resolution no. 9:- To consider the issue of New Forest Hospital facility to the Ph.D. Scholars of FRI (hostlers only) registered in FRI (Deemed) University.**

Member considered the issue of New Forest Hospital facility to the Ph.D. Scholars of FRI (hostlers only) registered in FRI (Deemed) University and it is **resolved** that facility may be given to the Ph.D. scholars of FRI (hostlers only) registered in FRI (Deemed) University as it is given to the other students of the University.

**Resolution no. 10:- To consider the issue of spiral bound thesis submission initially and hard bound thesis submission at the time of viva.**

Member considered the issue of spiral bound thesis submission initially and hard bound thesis submission at the time of viva, and **resolved** that the Ph.D. Scholar shall submit spiral bound thesis for evaluation and at the time of viva the hard bound thesis shall have to be submitted.

**Resolution no. 11:- To consider the issue of introducing online entrance exam of M.Sc., P.G. Diploma and Ph.D. Courses.**

The Board of Management has considered the issue of introducing online entrance exam of M.Sc., P.G. Diploma and Ph.D. Courses and **resolved** to approve the agenda ex-post facto through outsourcing. The Chairman also desired that University should take all the precautions for implementing full proof online entrance examination system.

**Resolution no. 12:- To consider Central Pulp & Paper Research Institute (CPPRI), Saharanpur as one of the research centres of the FRI (Deemed) University for the purpose of taking research scholars.**

The Board of Management having considered the agenda item no. 12 regarding approving Central Pulp & Paper Research Institute (CPPRI), Saharanpur as one of the research centres of the FRI (Deemed) University for the purpose of taking research scholars, **resolved to approve the agenda item no.12 ex-post-facto.**



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**Resolution no. 13:- To consider the enhancement of honorarium payable to external faculty of the University**

The members of the Board of Management having considered the agenda regarding enhancement of honorarium payable to external faculty of the University and have **resolved** the rate of honorarium @Rs.500/- per lecture including travel allowance to the external faculty for taking lectures.

**Resolution no. 14:- To consider the changes in regulation for award of merit award.**

The Board of Management has **approved** the agenda no. 14/2013 regarding changes in regulation for award of merit to the M.Sc. students as under:-

**"The Gold medal merit award may be given to the students in each subject/course who will secure maximum total marks in the course concerned"**

**Resolution no. 15:- To Consider the supplementary agenda no. 1 regarding starting of 'Post Graduate Advance Diploma course in Biodiversity Informatics'.**

The proposal as submitted by the Director WII, regarding starting of 'Post Graduate Advance Diploma course in Biodiversity Informatics' has been accepted in principle and the new course will be started from February 2014 after finalizing and approving the fee structure and syllabus of the course and the MoU between FRI (Deemed) University & WII by Academic Council of FRI (Deemed) University.

**Resolution no. 16:- To consider the supplementary agenda no.2 regarding charging of additional fee for extension of term of registration of the Ph.D. Research Scholars.**

After great discussion, it is **resolved** to charge a sum of Rs.25000/- on 1<sup>st</sup> extension and Rs.40000/- on 2<sup>nd</sup> extension in addition to Annual Fee/Library fee as the case may be.

This will be effective on the scholars who will be registered w.e.f. 01.3.2013 onwards.

**Other agendas placed with the permission of Chair:-** With the permission of the chair following two agendas were also placed before the members:-

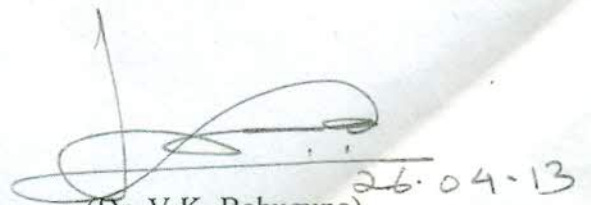
(i) **Honorarium for re-evaluation of the thesis:-** Presently there is no provision for honorarium for the examiners for re-evaluation of Ph.D. thesis. Therefore members discussed it in great length and resolved to provide Rs. 2000/- for evaluation (earlier it was Rs. 1000/-) and Rs. 2000/- for re-evaluation of the thesis to the examiners.

(ii) **Mobile phone charging facility for nominated officers of FRI (Deemed) University.** The agenda was dropped and Chairman directed that such request may be put up to Vice-chancellor, FRI (Deemed) University on case to case basis.

The meeting then ended with vote of thanks by the Dean to the Chair and the members of the Board of Management.



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