



**PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY
PUDUCHERRY**

**MINUTES OF 156th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON
22.11.2025 AT 11:00 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL HALL**

MEMBERS PRESENT (IN PERSON):

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| 1. Prof. P. Prakash Babu, Vice-Chancellor | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. Clement Sagayaradja Lourdes | Member |
| 3. Prof. Rajeswari Seshadri | Member |
| 4. Prof. S. Siva Sathya | Member |
| 5. Prof. B.B. Mohanty | Member |
| 6. Dr. K.B. Nidheesh | Member |
| 7. The Principal
East Coast Institute of Medical Sciences | Member |
| 8. Prof. Rajneesh Bhutani | Secretary |

MEMBERS ATTENDED THROUGH VIRTUAL MODE:

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| 1. Shri.Joyful Khawzawl,
Under Secretary
(Higher Education) | Member |
| 2. Prof. S. Balaji | Member |
| 3. The Principal
Mahe Institute of Dental Sciences & Hospitals | Member |
| 4. Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar | Member |
| 5. Prof. Subramanyam Rajagopal | Member |
| 6. Prof. John Varghese | Member |
| 7. Prof. Anil Kumar Aneja | Member |

**THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS COULD NOT ATTEND THE MEETING,
DUE TO PRIOR COMMITMENTS:**

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| 1. Dr. D. Nivedhitha | Member |
| 2. The Director
Vector Control Research Centre | Member |
| 3. Prof. Alok Kumar Chakrawal | Member |
| 4. Prof. Prabhjot Kulkarni | Member |

The Council placed on record its appreciation of the valuable contributions of the following outgoing Members: -

1. Prof. P. Natarajan
2. Prof. N. Narasimhamurthy
3. Prof. T. Poongodi Vijayakumar
4. Prof. Dhulasi Birundha Varadarajan
5. Prof. M.G. Sethuraman

The Vice-Chancellor also introduced the following new Members:

1. The Secretary (Higher Education), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, New Delhi.
2. Dr. S. Balaji, Professor & Head, Dept. of Coastal Disaster Management, Pondicherry University, Port Blair.

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed the Members who are attending the Meeting in person and also participating through virtual mode. The Members were briefed about the various developmental activities that took place in the University.

Thereafter, the following Agenda Items were taken up for discussions:

2025.156.01 To confirm the Minutes of the 155th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 22.07.2025

Noted and confirmed

2025.156.02 To record the Action Taken Report of the 155th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 22.07.2025

Noted and recorded

2025.156.03 To apprise the agenda and minutes of the item No.2025.C.04 (Panels of Subject Experts) sent by circulation on 10.10.2025.

Approved

2025.156.04 To consider and approve the recommendations of the committee constituted to examine the request received from Dr. M. Bakthadoss, Professor, Department of Chemistry regarding seniority and date of award of promotion as Professor under CAS to Dr. C. Sivasankar, Professor, Department of Chemistry, Pondicherry University held on 09.06.2025.

Approved

2025.156.05 To consider and approve the award of MACP/ DACP to Officers/ Employees in the cadres of Group "A" "B & C" posts

Approved

2025.156.06 To consider and approve the award of MACP to employees in the cadres of Group "B & C" posts who are involved in cases

Approved

2025.156.07 To consider and approve the award of DACP to Dr. Sheela Das, Chief Medical Officer in view of the Orders of the High Court and the Supreme Court

Approved

2025.156.08 To ratify the relieving of Dr. Arvind Gupta from the post of Director, Directorate of Distance Education and the appointment of Prof. P. Natarajan, Dean, School of Management & Head, Dept. of Commerce, Pondicherry University as Director (i/c), Directorate of Distance Education, Pondicherry University in addition to his normal duties.

Ratified

2025.156.09 To ratify the appointment of Shri Vamseedhara Reddy Datla, Superintendent of Police (West Sub Division), Government of Puducherry as Officer on Special Duty (V&S) on deputation basis w.e.f. 28.08.2025 (AN)

Ratified

2025.156.10 To ratify the acceptance of resignation tendered by Dr. Surendra Kumar Sia from the post of Professor, Department of Applied Psychology, School of Physical, Chemical and Applied Sciences of this University w.e.f. 19.03.2024.

Ratified

2025.156.11 To ratify the acceptance of resignation tendered by Dr. S. Venu, Professor, Department of Ocean Studies and Marine Biology, Port Blair Campus of this University so as to continue the post of Associate Professor, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Cochin.

Ratified

2025.156.12 To apprise the agenda and minutes of the item No.2025.C.05 (panels of subject experts) sent by circulation on 10.11.2025.

Approved

2025.156.13 To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Selection Committee held on 27.10.2025 for selection to the post of Professor (Tenure Post) (reserved for SC category) in the Centre for Study of Social Exclusion & Inclusive Policy

Approved

2025.156.14 To consider and approve whether to provide the copy of answer scripts to the RTI applicant under RTI Act

Deferred

2025.156.15 To consider and approve the recommendations of the Selection Committee meetings held on 27.10.2025 for award of CAS promotion from Professor (Stage-V) to Senior Professor (Stage-VI).

Approved

2025.156.16 To apprise the council about the appointment and temporary transfer of Dr. Rajeesh Viswanathan, Professor, Department of International Business, Pondicherry University as Officer on Special Duty, PUCC, Mahe.

Approved

2025.156.17 To apprise the council about the transfer of Dr. C. Madhavaiah, Professor, Department of Management Studies, Karaikal campus of Pondicherry University.

Approved

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2025.156.19 _____

2025.156.20 _____

2025.156.21 To ratify the minutes of the Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) meeting for group "B & C" posts held on 28.10.2025 & 29.10.2025 regarding promotion.

Ratified

2025.156.22 To consider and ratify the sanction of extension of lien to Dr. K.M. Shibu, Assistant Librarian, Ananda Rangapillai Library of this University for further period of one year from 07.08.2025 to 06.08.2026 to continue as the Deputy Librarian, Indian Maritime University, Chennai.

Ratified

2025.156.23 To ratify the extension of contract services of three Assistant Professors namely, Dr. A. Punitha, Dr. V. Umasri and Dr. Sk. Md. Nizamuddin of Directorate of Distance Education for a period of one year.

Ratified

2025.156.24 To ratify the sanction of Sabbatical Leave to the faculty members of this University

Ratified

2025.156.25 To ratify the appointment of Director(i/c), Research & Development Cell and Centre Head, Pondicherry University Karaikal campus.

Ratified

2025.156.26 To ratify the appointment of Head of the Department under statute 7 of Pondicherry University Act and Statutes

Ratified

2025.156.27 To consider and ratify confirmation of Faculty members consequent on completion of Probation period

Ratified

2025.156.28 To consider and ratify the sanction of deputation to Dr. N.K. Kumaresan Raja, Professor, Department of Politics & International Studies, School of Social Sciences & International Studies of this University for a period of one year w.e.f 16.04.2025 so as to assume the position of Advisor at the National Civil Service College, Mauritius.

Ratified

2025.156.29 To ratify the extension of contract services of the following six teaching Faculty of Pondicherry University Community College, Lawspet, Puducherry for a period of one year.

Ratified

2025.156.30 To consider and approve the proposal for the work of upgradation and renovation of Vice-Chancellor's Chamber, Office space, Conference Hall along with VIP dining, VIP Lounge, in Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Administrative Building including electrical provision at Pondicherry University, Puducherry

Approved

2025.156.31 To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Selection Committee held on 20.11.2025 and 21.11.2025 for Selection to the post of Registrar

Approved

2025.156.32 To consider and approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Selection Committee held on 21.11.2025 for Selection to the post of Finance Officer

Approved

2025.156.33 To ratify the extension of services of Dr. Praveena. P, Medical Officer, University Health Centre, Pondicherry University on contract basis for a further period of one year w.e.f. 25.11.2025.

Ratified

2025.156.34 **To ratify the extension of services of personnel engaged on contract basis in the various Sections/ Departments/Centres/Community College/Library, Central Instrumentation Facility and other places**

Ratified

The minutes were presented before the members during the meeting and were approved by all the members

With a Vote of thanks by the Chairman, the meeting came to an end.