

Central University of Punjab, Bathinda

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Minutes of the Sixth Meeting of the
Building Advisory Committee
held on 5th May 2012 at 11.00 A.M. at
City Campus, Mansa Road, Bathinda

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Members Present:

Prof. Jai Rup Singh	: Vice Chancellor (<i>Chairman</i>)
Prof. Moin Uddin	: Member
Ar. S. L. Kaushal	: Member
Sh. Purshottam Doijode	: Member
Prof. P. Ramarao	: Member
Prof. R. G. Saini	: Member
Prof. P. S. Ramana	: Member
Mr. Gurtej Singh Sra	: Member
Dr. S. S. Bhatti	: Special Invitee
Sh. Jit Kumar Gupta	: Special Invitee
Col. (Retd) Jagdev Kartar Singh	: Member Secretary

The Vice Chancellor (*Chairman*) welcomed the hon'ble members to the Sixth meeting of the Building Advisory Committee. He thanked all the members for sparing their valuable time from their busy schedule to participate in the meeting.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:1

To confirm the Minutes of the last meeting of the Building Advisory Committee held on 31.01.2012

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 31.01.2012.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:2

To note the progress of the University since last meeting of the Building Advisory Committee.

The Committee was informed by the Vice Chancellor of the progress on the construction of the boundary wall on which 80% work had been completed. The University Engineer highlighted the technical difficulties in the construction of boundary wall due to uneven topography of the area and progress made despite resistance faced from the locals. The Vice Chancellor also mentioned that the expenditure already worked out for this work may increase with additional length of wall to be constructed to cover two main approaches now allowed to the university.

The Committee was apprised that three rows of the tree plantation had already been completed and further plantation as suggested would be undertaken. The Committee appreciated the progress made and suggested that the plantation drive be undertaken taking into consideration the landscape design in the Master Plan to be finalised by the architect.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:3

To consider the detailed budget estimation for construction of Buildings (Phase-I) of the University during the 12th Five Year Plan. (275)

The Vice Chancellor briefed the Committee about the detailed budget estimation during the Phase-I development of the main campus as per ~~Annexure-1~~ (Annexure-2 of the Agenda) which had been approved by the Finance Committee and the Executive Council. He further mentioned that the Schools/Centres of Studies of the university had been entrusted with the responsibility to work out their requirements so that the same could be incorporated by the architect while working out the Architectural design of the buildings. It was suggested that a compact campus layout following vertical growth and the concept of one-building university thereby leaving more green areas would prove to be economical and add ambience to the campus layout.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:4

To note the approval of construction of OBC Hostel by Finance Committee and Executive Council.

The Vice Chancellor informed the Committee that with first instalment Rs. 70,00,000/- having been released by the concerned ministry, the OBC Hostel building may be the first building to come up at the Main Campus after the Master Plan is finalised.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:5

To consider and approve the recommendations of the Jury Sub-Committee for the selection of the Architect for the development of Main Campus of the University.

The Vice Chancellor informed the Committee the progress made in deciding the Architect for working out the Master Plan as per the recommendations of the Jury Sub Committee. However, he further expressed his apprehensions as regards the motives of the concerned architectural firm M/s C.P. Kukreja, as the response of firm was not found to be cooperative and encouraging. The firm had backed out after giving its commitment on the negotiated rates of Master Planning as finalised with the Jury Sub Committee and the stand taken by the firm questioning the decision of the Jury Sub Committee. The Committee discussed the matter at length based on the correspondence with the firm on the finalisation of rates for Master Plan work of the university and decided to take stock of the present impasse, have the matter legally vetted and take it up with the Executive Council before deciding to award the contract to the said firm.

The Committee suggested some amendments to the Scope of Work of the Master Plan which have been incorporated. The amended Scope of Work (~~Annexure-1~~) has been circulated amongst the members of the Building Advisory Committee soliciting their views.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:6

To ratify the Scope of Work of the PMC for the Main Campus of the University.

The Committee ratified the Scope of Work of the PMC for the Main Campus suggesting that the details of the Service Tax etc. must be included while finalising the agreement with the selected PMC firm.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:7

To consider procurement of Portable cabins required for Hostels, Canteen and Servant accommodation at the City Campus.

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The Committee considered and approved the proposal to set up Porta Cabins to meet the accommodation requirements of the university as against going in for hired accommodation.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:8

To consider and approve the repairs work to the Academic Block against the leakage due to rains.

The Committee approved of the proposal to pursue the repairs work on the persisting leakage problem after taking expert opinion.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:9

To consider the scope of work for Architectural Design.

The Committee suggested some amendments to the Scope of Work as per Annexure-7 of the Agenda and the updated copy of the Scope of Work is attached. As suggested, a copy of the scope of work has been circulated to all the members for deliberations and seek their suggestions. (~~Annexure-9~~).

It was also suggested that the matter may be taken with the Punjab Govt. to have the necessary exemption for the scrutiny charges before undertaking the construction work.

Item No. BAC:6:2012:12

Fixing date of the next meeting of the Building Advisory Committee.

The Council authorised the Vice Chancellor to fix the date for the next meeting of the Building Advisory Committee.