

# Central University of Punjab Bathinda

MINUTES



## **30<sup>th</sup> Meeting** of the **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

*14<sup>th</sup> August 2023*



## Minutes of the 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee

The 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Central University of Punjab, was held on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023 (11:30 a.m.) in online Mode.

**Venue: Conference Room, Aryabhata Academic Block, Adjacent Vice-Chancellor's Office, Ghudda.**

The list of the members present during the meeting is annexed.

The Chairperson formally welcomed the members of the Finance Committee and thanked them for sparing their valuable time from their busy schedule to attend the 30<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee for making it possible to attend this meeting in online mode. Thereafter, the Chairperson introduced and welcomed newly nominated members to the Finance Committee, namely Prof. Tankeshwar Kumar, Prof. K.R.S. Sambasiva Rao and Shri R.D. Sahay.

Afterwards, the Vice-Chancellor gave a presentation on the progress made by the university in respect of academics, research and infrastructural developments since its previous meeting held on 07<sup>th</sup> June 2023, in online mode in furtherance of the vision and mission of the University. The members applauded the University for the significant contribution made during the intervening period.

After detailed discussions on the agenda items listed for this meeting, the unanimous resolutions of the Finance Committee, are as follows:

<b><i>Items for Confirmation</i></b>	
<p><b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:1</u></b></p> <p><b>To confirm the minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 07.06.2023.</b></p>	<p><b><u>AGENDA NOTE:</u></b></p> <p>29<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee was held on 07.06.2023 through online/physical mode.</p> <p>The draft minutes were circulated to the members of the Finance Committee for their comments, if any.</p> <p>The members have conveyed their approval of draft minutes through e-mail. Subsequently, approved minutes were circulated.</p> <p>The Minutes of 29<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee is placed for confirmation.</p>
<p><b><u>RESOLVE</u></b></p>	<p><b>The Finance Committee, after discussions, unanimously resolved to confirm the minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 07.06.2023 in online mode.</b></p>
<p><b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:2</u></b></p> <p><b>To note the Action Taken Report (ATR) on decisions of the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Finance Committee held on 07.06.2023.</b></p>	<p><b><u>AGENDA NOTE:</u></b></p> <p>The 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of Finance Committee was held on 07.06.2023.</p> <p>Subsequent to the circulation of approved minutes, the concerned departments/offices implemented the decision taken by the Finance Committee in its 29<sup>th</sup> meeting. The details of the actions taken are placed at <b><i>Annexure-30.1.</i></b></p>



	The ATR on the resolutions of 29 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Finance Committee is placed for confirmation.
<b><u>RESOLVE</u></b>	<b>The Finance Committee, after taking perusal, unanimously resolved to take a note of the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the resolutions of 29<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 07.06.2023 and expressed satisfaction for timely actions thereon.</b>
<b><i>Items for Consideration</i></b>	
<b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:3</u></b>  <b>To consider and approve the preliminary estimate:</b>  <b>a) for construction of 400 seater Girls and 600 seater Boys hostel Central University of Punjab as submitted by CPWD.</b>          <b>b) for construction of Academic Block at Central University of Punjab as submitted by CPWD.</b>	<b><u>AGENDA NOTE:</u></b>  The Building committee in its 53 <sup>rd</sup> meeting resolved to approve the proposal of the University for construction of 02 new hostels (400 seater girls and 600 seater boys). Accordingly, University vide its letter no. CUPB/CC/ES/22-23/426 dated 05.01.2023 requested CPWD to provide the preliminary estimates for the proposed 400 seater girls hostel and 600 seater boys hostel to be constructed in the campus of Central University of Punjab.  CPWD vide its letter no.: 24(22)/CU/LD/JC/2023/744 dated 11.07.2023 submitted the estimates amounting to Rs. 35,08,86,500/- and Rs.52,56,41,500/- respectively for the above works. The Preliminary estimates based on PAR 2021 as submitted by CPWD are enclosed as <b><i>Annexure 30.2 &amp; Annexure-30.3.</i></b>  With the increase in the no. of departments and student strength, the University felt a requirement to construct One Academic Block separately for Humanities and Social Science Departments. Accordingly, the University evaluated the requirements and bifurcation of area for the construction of new Academic Block ( <b><i>Annexure-30.4</i></b> ). The University vide its letter no. CUPB/CC/ES/23-24/11 dated 13.04.2023 requested CPWD to provide the preliminary estimate for the proposed new Academic Block.  CPWD vide letter No.: 24(22)/CU/LD/JC/2023/752 dated 12.07.2023 submitted the estimates amounting to Rs. 102,34,49,900/-. The Preliminary estimates based on PAR 2021 as submitted by CPWD are enclosed as <b><i>Annexure-30.5.</i></b>  The preliminary estimate of above works as submitted by CPWD were submitted to the Building Committee in circulation for consideration and approval vide e-mail dated 20.07.2023, which was approved by the members of Building Committee by return e-mail.



	<p>The matter is placed before the Finance Committee for consideration and approval for the preliminary estimate of Rs. 35,08,86,500/- for construction of 400 seater Girls' hostel, Rs.52,56,41,500/- for construction of 600 seater Boys' hostel, and Rs. 102, 34,49,900/- for construction of Academic Block, through HEFA loan.</p>								
<p><b><u>RESOLVE</u></b></p>	<p><b>The Finance Committee discussed the item in detail and unanimously resolved to approve the following preliminary estimates, amounting to Rs. 189, 99, 77,900/- as submitted by CPWD, for construction of 400 seater Girls, 600 seater Boys hostel, and one Academic Block, at Central University of Punjab, through HEFA Loan:</b></p> <p><b>a) Rs.35,08,86,500/- <u>for construction of 400 seater Girls hostels</u></b>  <b>b)Rs.52,56,41,500/- <u>for construction 600 seater Boys hostel, and</u></b>  <b>c) Rs.102,34,49,900/- <u>for construction of Academic Block</u></b></p> <p><b>It further resolved that the proposal for these three building projects may be submitted to Ministry of Education for HEFA Loan after approval of the Executive Council.</b></p>								
<p><b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:4</u></b></p> <p><b>To consider the proposal to obtain Rs.10 Cr. HEFA loan for procurement of High-end and Small equipment.</b></p>	<p><b><u>AGENDA NOTE:</u></b></p> <p>The Central Instrumentation Laboratory (CIL) committee met on 27.7.2023 through online mode and on 2.8.2023 at 3.30 pm in the office of DIA to finalize the list of equipment to be purchased for enhancing the research productivity of the faculty members and students. The requirement for high end equipment was obtained from faculty members by conducting a survey.</p> <p>The final list was prepared by considering the requirement of faculty members from different departments and the possible utility of these equipment to generate revenue from external users. In addition, there is an urgent requirement of small equipment for teaching and research for various departments.</p> <p>The recommendations of the committee are as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="678 1697 1485 1986"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sr. No.</th> <th>Major Equipment</th> <th>Estimated Cost in INR (Rs. Lakhs)</th> <th>Justification</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Liquid Chromatography coupled to Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometry (LC-IRMS) with CHNS Analyzer</td> <td>475.00</td> <td>Determination of C, H, N, S and O in organic matrices. Determination of C and S in metals, ores, ceramics and other Inorganic Materials. Also Isotopic determination of honey will be carried with LC-IRMS.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Sr. No.	Major Equipment	Estimated Cost in INR (Rs. Lakhs)	Justification	1	Liquid Chromatography coupled to Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometry (LC-IRMS) with CHNS Analyzer	475.00	Determination of C, H, N, S and O in organic matrices. Determination of C and S in metals, ores, ceramics and other Inorganic Materials. Also Isotopic determination of honey will be carried with LC-IRMS.
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2	<b>Ultracentrifuge</b>	130.00	It will be used for separation of subcellular organelles, exosomes, macromolecules, and membrane fractions for various biological applications.
3	<b>Artificial Intelligence Enabled High Performance Computing Cluster</b>	150.00	Artificial Intelligence Enabled High Performance Computing Cluster is required to perform research involving complex simulations and big data analysis with applications in computational, biological, pharmaceutical, physical, and chemical sciences, bioinformatics and geoinformatics.
4	<b>Preparative High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)</b>	90.00	It is used to separate compounds to get the single components like organic compounds, pharmaceutical products, phyto-constituents, food products, nutraceuticals, aflatoxins and antibiotics.
5	<b>Freeze Dryer Lyophilizer</b>	30.00	Freeze drying is an ideal way to store biological samples without being degraded. Microorganisms and structures are preserved and studied.
<b>Recommendation for purchase of small equipment</b>			
6	<b>Small equipment for teaching and research for various departments</b>	125.00	There is an urgent requirement for purchase of small equipment for teaching and research as the number of faculty, students and research areas have increased in the last few years.
<b>Total (Lakhs)</b>		<b>1000.00</b>	

The Committee recommends the purchase of the above equipment with a total estimated cost of Rs. 10 (ten) crores (INR) (*Annexure*)

The matter is placed before the Finance Committee for consideration.

**RESOLVE**

**The Finance Committee discussed the item in detail and unanimously resolved to approve the proposal for the purchase of following equipment from HEFA Loan amounting to Rs. 10.00 Cr.:**

Sr. No.	Major Equipment	Estimated Cost in INR (Rs. Lakhs)	Justification
1	<b>Liquid Chromatography coupled to Isotope Ratio Mass Spectrometry (LC-IRMS) with CHNS Analyzer</b>	475.00	Determination of C, H, N, S and O in organic matrices. Determination of C and S in metals, ores, ceramics and other Inorganic Materials. Also Isotopic determination of honey will be carried with LC-IRMS.
2	<b>Ultracentrifuge</b>	130.00	It will be used for separation of subcellular organelles, exosomes, macromolecules, and membrane fractions for various biological applications.
3	<b>Artificial Intelligence</b>	150.00	Artificial Intelligence



	<b>Enabled High Performance Computing Cluster</b>		Enabled High Performance Computing Cluster is required to perform research involving complex simulations and big data analysis with applications in computational, biological, pharmaceutical, physical, and chemical sciences, bioinformatics and geoinformatics.
<b>4</b>	<b>Preparative High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)</b>	90.00	It is used to separate compounds to get the single components like organic compounds, pharmaceutical products, phyto-constituents, food products, nutraceuticals, aflatoxins and antibiotics.
<b>5</b>	<b>Freeze Dryer Lyophilizer</b>	30.00	Freeze drying is an ideal way to store biological samples without being degraded. Microorganisms and structures are preserved and studied.
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<b>6</b>	<b>Small equipment for teaching and research for various departments</b>	125.00	There is an urgent requirement for purchase of small equipment for teaching and research as the number of faculty, students and research areas have increased in the last few years.
	<b>Total (Lakhs)</b>	<b>1000.00</b>	
<p><b>It also resolved that this proposal may be submitted to Ministry of Education for HEFA Loan after approval of the Executive Council.</b></p>			
<p><b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:5</u></b> <b>To consider the proposal for utilizing the 40% of IRG fund.</b></p>		<p><b><u>AGENDA NOTE:</u></b>  The Central University of Punjab is presently offering 43 PG Programmes and 36 Ph.D. Programmes in diverse fields of Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences.  A number of small equipment are required for conducting the science practicals that are part of the curriculum of the PG programmes. The funds received from the UGC under equipment head are not sufficient to meet the requirement.  In view of this, it is proposed that the University may be allowed to utilize the 40% of IRG fund for purchase of equipment so that learning-teaching process does not suffer.  The matter is placed before the Finance Committee for consideration.</p>	
<p><b><u>RESOLVE</u></b></p>		<p><b>The Finance Committee discussed the item in detail and unanimously resolved to approve the proposal of the university to utilize upto 20% of Internal Revenue</b></p>	



	<b>Generation under non-recurring head for creation of capital assets and purchase of minor equipment.</b>																		
<b><i>Item for Ratification</i></b>																			
<b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:6</u></b>	<b><u>AGENDA NOTE:</u></b>																		
<b>To ratify the expenditure/ utilization plan for Annual Allocation under Capital Assets-35 for the financial year 2023-24.</b>	<p>The Annual allocation of Rs.5.00 crore under Capital Assets-35 for the year 2023-24 has been sanctioned by UGC vide D.O. No. F.1-3/2023 (CU) dated 01.06.2023 as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th><i>Name of the item</i></th> <th><i>Allocation approved by UGC (Rs.in Lakhs)</i></th> <th><i>Annexure</i></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Books/Journals</td> <td>50.00</td> <td>Annexure-30.6</td> </tr> <tr> <td>ICT enabled infrastructure for online learning and content development and procurement of e-resource (perpetual)</td> <td>125.00</td> <td>Annexure-30.7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Small equipment/ laboratories</td> <td>125.00</td> <td>Annexure-30.8</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Campus Development</td> <td>100.00</td> <td>Annexure-30.9</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other infrastructure including furniture &amp; fixture</td> <td>100.00</td> <td>Annexure-30.10</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The allocation of Rs. 5.00 Cr. for the above items has been submitted to the competent authority for consideration and approval, through the committees constituted for this purpose.</p> <p>The matter is placed before the Finance Committee for ratification.</p>	<i>Name of the item</i>	<i>Allocation approved by UGC (Rs.in Lakhs)</i>	<i>Annexure</i>	Books/Journals	50.00	Annexure-30.6	ICT enabled infrastructure for online learning and content development and procurement of e-resource (perpetual)	125.00	Annexure-30.7	Small equipment/ laboratories	125.00	Annexure-30.8	Campus Development	100.00	Annexure-30.9	Other infrastructure including furniture & fixture	100.00	Annexure-30.10
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<b><u>RESOLVE</u></b>	<b>The Finance Committee unanimously resolved to ratify the expenditure/utilization plan for Annual Allocation of Rs. 5 Cr. sanctioned by UGC, under Capital Assets-35 for the financial year 2023-24, as prepared by the University.</b>																		
<b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:7</u></b>	<b><u>AGENDA NOTE:</u></b> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>-CONFIDENTIAL-</b> (under consideration)</p>																		



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<b><u>RESOLVE</u></b>	<b>-CONFIDENTIAL-</b> (under consideration)
<b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:8</u></b> Any other item	Any other business items with the permission of the Chair <b>No other item.</b>
<b><u>Item.No:FC:30:2023:9</u></b> To fix the date of the next meeting of the Finance Committee.	The Finance Committee may like to fix the next date of meeting of the Finance Committee as per need. <b>The Finance Committee authorized the Vice-Chancellor to fix the next date of meeting of the Finance Committee.</b>

*NOTE: While discussing the agenda, the Comments received from IFD (MoE) and CU Bureau of MoE were considered by the Finance Committee.*

The meeting of the Finance Committee concluded with vote of thanks from & to the Chair.

**Sd/-**  
(Dr. Rajkumar Sharma)  
Finance Officer &  
Secretary, Finance Committee

Minutes Approved

**Sd/-**  
(Prof. Raghavendra P. Tiwari)  
Vice-Chancellor &  
Chairman, Finance Committee