

**MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING  
NO. EC/42/2024**

**08 July 2024**

**Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University**

**Venue: VC Office**

**Mode Offline/Online**

**3.00 PM**

The 42<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Executive Council was held on Monday, 08 July 2024, at 3.00 PM in the office of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. The following members and special invitees were present for this meeting.

27.(1)(a)	Professor Karbhari V. Kale	Vice Chancellor	Chairman (Ex-officio)
27.(1)(c)	Dr. Vinitkumar J. Dongre	Chancellor Nominee	Member
27.(1)(d)	Dr. S.M. Pore	Dean	Member
27.(1)(e)-1	Prof. Dr. A.W. Kiwelekar	Heads of the University Department	Member
27.(1)(e)-2	Prof Dr. Shivajirao Jadhav	Heads of the University Department	Member
27.(1)(f) -1	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
27.(1)(f) -2	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
27.(1)(f) -3	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
27.(1)(f) -4	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
27.(1)(f) -5	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
27.(1)(f) -6	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
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27.(1)(f) -8	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
27.(1)(f) -9	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
27.(1)(f) -10	Yet to be nominated	Head of Affiliated Institute	Member
27.(1)(g)-1	Yet to be nominated	Representative of Regional Center	Member
27.(1)(g)-2	Yet to be nominated	Representative of Regional Center	Member
27.(1)(g)-3	Yet to be nominated	Representative of Regional Center	Member
27.(1)(g)-4	Yet to be nominated	Representative of Regional Center	Member
27.(1)(h)-1	Yet to be nominated	Representative of Sub Center	Member
27.(1)(h)-2	Yet to be nominated	Representative of Sub Center	Member
27.(1)(h)-3	Yet to be nominated	Representative of Sub Center	Member
27.(1)(i)-1	Yet to be nominated	Professor of University	Member
27.(1)(i)-2	Prof. Dr. Sangeeta Metkar	Assistant Professor of University	Member
27.(1)(j)-1	Shri. Praveen V. Sardeshmukh	Government of Maharashtra Nominees	Member
27.(1)(j)-2	Dr. Raghunath S. Holambe	Government of Maharashtra Nominees	Member
27.(1)(j)-3	Shri. Ashok M. Shelhalkar	Government of Maharashtra Nominees	Member
27.(1)(j)-4	Shri. Yogesh Bompilvar	Government of Maharashtra Nominees	Member
Ch. III (17)	Prof. A. W. Kiwelekar	Registrar	Secretary

			(Ex- Officio)
	Prof. S L Nalbalwar	Dean Academic	Invitee
	Prof. N. S Jadhav	Controller of Examinations	Invitee
	Prof. H S Joshi	OSD Affiliation	Invitee
	Prof. A P Shesh	Head English Department	Invitee

Following members could not attend the meeting, and a leave of absence was granted to them.

27.(1)(b)	Dr. V. M. Mohitkar	Director of Technical Education M.S.	Member (Ex-officio)
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Prof. A. W. Kiwelekar, Registrar, welcomed all the members of the Executive Council. The proceedings of the meeting started with the permission of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

#### **Item No. 1: Anti-Corruption Bureau's Action on Finance Officer**

The Registrar informed the Hon. members that Mr. Omkar Ramchandra Ambapkar was deputed by the Department of Finance, Government of Maharashtra, as a Finance officer at our University. A team of officials from the Anti Corruption Bureau, Thane Division, raided the office of Mr. Omkar Ramchandra Ambapkar, Finance Officer on 5th July 2024 at 4.00PM and caught him red-handed taking the bribe from a contractor who was assigned a renovation work at our University. Subsequently, Mr. Ambapkar was arrested by the ACB officials and he was in judicial custody from 4th July to 8th July. The First Information Report (FIR) received from ACB's office was also tabled in front of the members.

#### **Resolution**

Members expressed their anguish over the happening of this deplorable act by a senior official of the rank of Finance Officer and resolved to take the following actions:

1. The university should immediately return the services of Mr. Omkar Ramchandra Ambapkar to the Department of Finance, Government of Maharashtra.
2. The charge of Finance Officer to be handed over to Prof. Arvind Kiwelekar, the acting Registrar, till the further arrangements.
3. To seek the permission from Government of Maharashtra to immediately fill up the post of Finance Officer by following due procedure as laid down in the DBATU Act and Statutes.

#### **Item No. 2: To publish the Expression of Interest for University of Management Information System.**

The services received from the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) portal were terminated by the university on account of the act of data tampering performed by the service provider. Therefore it becomes necessary to identify the new service provider for the development,

operation and maintenance of university-wide Management Information System (MIS)

The examination section presented the draft Expression of Interest (EOI) for the MIS for various sections of the University and informed that the selection of new service providers will be carried out in two phases. First by publishing an EOI followed by a public tendering process. The objective of EOI is to clarify the technical requirements of the university and freeze them after reviewing the state of art technologies available for implementation. After that the open bids will be invited through wide publicity for the design, development and implementation of MIS for the University.

**Resolution:**

Members deliberated on it and expressed the urgency of finalizing the service provider. Further it has been resolved to publish the advertisement for Expression of Interest for university-widened Management Information System within a week in the leading newspaper.

**Item No. 3: Tendering process for procuring answer books for winter 2024 and summer 2025 examination.**

The examination department presents their need for procurement of answer sheets required for Winter 2024 and Summer 2025 Examination. The quantity of answer books required will be approximately Thirty Lakh and the approximate estimated cost is between Rs. 2.75 Cr to 3.25 cr. The procurement process will be carried out through public tendering. In the light of the impending code of conduct for Maharashtra Assembly Election it needs to be completed before the month September 2024.

**Resolution:**

Members deliberated on it and resolved to initiate the procurement of answer books required for the Winter 2024 and Summer 2025 examination through public tendering.

**Item No. 4: Appointment of teaching and non-teaching staff on adhoc basis**

The Registrar informed the members that the appointment orders issued to various teaching and non-teaching staff appointed on adhoc basis during the academic year 2023-24 have expired on 30/06/2024. However, there is an acute shortage of manpower necessary to complete the ongoing academic activities. Also, it has been informed that at least one month is required to complete the recruitment process for the new academic year 2024-25.

**Resolution:** The members resolved that

- (1) To complete the recruitment process of adhoc staff for the academic year 2024-25 at the earliest possible by involving EC members in the selection process.
- (2) To grant the extension to existing staff working adhoc basis by giving a technical break of two days and continue their service till the new selection process completes.

**Item No. 5: Malpractices observed during the conduct of UHV-II examination**

The Registrar informed the members that the end semester examination for the subject Universal Human Value -II (UHV-II) was scheduled on 1st July 2024. Just at the scheduled time of the examination, the University received information from the Director, MGM's College of Engineering that the question paper for UHV-II was available for the students through social media. Immediately the examination section of the university has informed all

the examination centers and the OSDs of regional and sub centers of the university to stop the examination by earlier question paper and use the replaced new question paper provided by the university through QPD. Accordingly, the examinations of the subject were conducted smoothly.

On verification of the screenshot provided by her, it was observed that the question paper from the screenshot was not downloaded from the authorized Question Paper Delivery (QPD) system of the University.

However, as a precaution, the university has logged the complaint at the Cyber Crime portal and at the Police Stations at Goregaon-Raigad, Nanded and Sangali. Also, the university has constituted a committee under the Chairmanship of the Dean Academics to investigate the matter.

**Resolution:** The Executive Council noted the developments.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.