

**VIDYASAGAR UNIVERSITY**

MIDNAPORE – 721 102

The resolutions of the First meeting of the Newly Constituted Ninth COURT of Vidyasagar University held on 01.10.2020 at 12-15 P.M. in the Acharya Prafulla Chandra Roy Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor) of the Administrative Building of the University through video conferencing.

The meeting was attended by the following members :

01. *Professor Ranjan Chakrabarti, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.*
02. *Professor Subrata Kumar De.*
03. *Professor Sibaji Pratim Basu.*
04. *Professor Monanjali Bandyopadhyay.*
05. *Professor Amit Kumar Kisku.*
06. *Professor Debdulal Banerjee.*
07. *Professor Satyajit Saha.*
08. *Dr. Basudev Mondal.*
09. *Dr. Sukumar Chandra.*
10. *Dr. Asim Kumar Bera.*
11. *Professor S.A. H. Moinuddin.*
12. *Dr. Jatisankar Bandopadhyay.*
13. *Dr. Abhimanyu Behera.*
14. *Dr. Sandip Chattopadhyay.*
15. *Dr. Jolly Das.*
16. *Dr. Sumahan Bandyopadhyay.*
17. *Professor Ujjayan Bhattacharya.*
18. *Professor Tagar Lal Khan.*
19. *Dr. Sudipta Dalai.*
20. *Professor Shyamal Mondal.*
21. *Dr. Nandini Ghosh.*
22. *Dr. Tapan Dutta.*
23. *Professor Koushiki Dasgupta.*
24. *Dr. Surajit Ghosh.*
25. *Professor Tapan Kumar De.*
26. *Professor Jayanta Kumar Kundu.*
27. *Dr. Gopal Chandra Bera.*
28. *Professor Sujata Maiti Chaudhury.*
29. *Professor Chandradipa Ghosh.*

Prof. Ranjan Chakrabarti, the Vice-Chancellor presided over the meeting and Dr. Jayanta Kishore Nandi, the Registrar acted as the Secretary.

At the outset the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of Vidyasagar University accorded welcome to the members of the newly constituted Ninth Court of Vidyasagar University. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor requested the new members to extend their necessary help to progress and all round development of the University so that it may consolidate its position among other Indian Universities.

The Registrar mentioned the Notification by which the 9<sup>th</sup> Court of the University had been formed as per the relevant provisions of the Vidyasagar University Act, 1981 as amended by the West Bengal University Laws Amendment Act, 2014 and in accordance with the relevant Statutes of Vidyasagar University First Statutes, 1983 as amended upto 1997.

The House also expressed their sincere thanks to all members of the Eighth Court of Vidyasagar University for serving as a Members of the Court for a long period.

### Condolence

The Court of the University condoled the death of the following persons and observed one minute's silence :

01. Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad-al Sabah, the Ruler of Kuwait.
02. Jaswant Singh, the Former Union Minister of Government of India.
03. S. P. Balasubrahmanyam, the legendary singer.
04. Dean Jones, the legendary former Australian batsman.
05. Suresh Angadi, Union Minister of State for Railways.
06. Bharat Ratna Pranab Mukherjee, former President of India.
07. Pandit Jasraj, Padma Vibhushan Awardee.
08. Chetan Chauhan, Former Cricketer and UP Minister.
09. Rahat Indori, Renowned Urdu Poet and Lyricist.
10. John Hume, the Nobel Peace Prize Winner and a prominent Northern Ireland Politician.
11. Lalji Tandon, Former Governor of Madhya Pradesh.
12. Jagdeep, Veteran Bollywood Actor and Comedian.
13. Ennio Morricone, Oscar-winning Italian Film Composer.
14. Saroj Khan, Ace Choreographer.
15. Sushant Singh Rajput, Ace Bollywood Actor.
16. Basu Chatterjee, Legendary Filmmaker.
17. Wajid Khan, Bollywood Music Composer.
18. Bejan Daruwala, Renowned Astrologer.
19. Ajit Jogi, Former Chhatisgarh Chief Minister.
20. People who died of COVID-19 all over the World.
21. The frontline health workers all over the World who lost their lives while serving the people.
22. The police, paramilitary and Army personnel who lost their lives in the line of their duty.
23. Tony Lewis, Co-inventor of the Duckworth-Lewis method.
24. M.K. Arjunan, a Veteran Malayalam Music Composer.
25. Tom and Jerry Director Gene Deitch, Oscar-winning Illustrator and Animator, Gene Deitch.
26. Usha Ganguly, Veteran Theatre Actor and Director.
27. Irrfan Khan, Renowned Bollywood Actor.
28. Rishi Kapoor, Veteran Bollywood Actor.
29. Hansraj Bhardwaj, former Governor of Karnataka.
30. Santu Mukherjee, Eminent Indian Film Actor.
31. Philip Einar Olsen, a Canadian Athlete.
32. Elizabeth Williams, former Peace Activist from Northern Ireland.
33. Nema Ghosh, noted Indian Photographer.
34. Satish Gujral, an Indian Painter, Sculptor, Muralist and Writer of the post-independent era.
35. Beni Prasad Verma, an Indian Politician and a former member of the Samajwadi Party.
36. Thomas Edwin Bruce, an American Swimmer, Olympic Champion and former World Record-holder.
37. Chung Won-shik, a South Korean Politician, Educator, Soldier, and Author.
38. Virender Lal Chopra, an Indian Biotechnologist, Geneticist, Agriculturalist and a Director-General of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research.

39. Erich Schriever, a Swiss Rower.
40. Hari Shankar Vasudevan, Eminent Historian.
41. Md. Anisuzzaman, an internationally acclaimed Bangladeshi Academic of Bengali Literature.
42. The police, paramilitary and Army personnel who lost their lives in the line of their duty.
43. Javier Perez De Cuellar, former Secretary-General of the United Nations.
44. Balbir Singh Kullar, former Indian Hockey Player and Olympic Bronze Medalist.
45. Hosni Mubarak, former Egyptian President.
46. Thich Quang Do, Vietnam's dissident Buddhist monk.
47. Katherine Johnson, former American Mathematician.
48. Kirk Douglas, the Legendary Hollywood Actor.
49. Kobe Bryant, American Basketball Player.
50. Charulata Patel, superfan of the Indian Cricket Team.
51. Dr. Himansu Sekhar Ghosh, former Registrar of Vidyasagar University.
52. Nabaneeta Dev Sen, Sahitya Academy Award winner and a noted Writer.
53. T. N. Seshan, former Chief Election Commissioner of India.
54. Vashishtha Narayan Singh, the Great Mathematician.
55. Bob Willis, former England Captain and a fast bowler.
56. Shriram Lagoo, Veteran Film and Theatre Actor.
57. Ganga Prasad Vimal, famous Hindi Author.
58. K.P.S. Menon (Jr.), former Foreign Secretary of India.
59. Viju Khote, Veteran Bollywood Actor.
60. Mark Hurd, co-CEO of Oracle.
61. Gurudas Dasgupta, former Lok Sabha MP and Communist Party of India (CPI) leader.
62. The labourers from West Bengal who were killed by the terrorists in Jammy & Kashmir and the victims of heinous acts of terrorism all over the country.
63. Other persons who died in between but whose names are not known to us.

#### Agenda – 01

Self-introduction of the members of the newly constituted Ninth Court of the Vidyasagar University.

#### Resolution

*The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor requested the members to introduce themselves one by one to others. Starting from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar the members present in the meeting through video conferencing made him/her acquainted with all other members of the house in a cordial manner.*

#### Agenda – 02

To confirm the draft resolutions of the Eighth (8th) meeting of the Eighth Court of the Vidyasagar University held on 13.09.2019.

#### Resolution

*Resolved that the draft resolutions of the Eighth (8th) meeting of the Eighth Court of the Vidyasagar University held on 13.09.2019 be read and confirmed with minor modifications.*

#### Agenda – 03

To nominate one member by the Court from among its own members to the Finance Committee of the Vidyasagar University as per the provision (e) of V.U. Statute 32.

Resolution

*After thorough discussion on the matter regarding nomination of one member to the Finance Committee of Vidyasagar University from among the Court's own members in accordance with the provision of sub-section (e) of Section 32 of the Vidyasagar University First Statutes 1983 as amended upto 1997, it was resolved that one member from the Court be nominated to the Finance Committee of Vidyasagar University as per the norms of the University and regarding nomination of the member to the Finance Committee, the matter be left to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for necessary action.*

Agenda - 04

To discuss the matter regarding holding the Twenty-second (22nd) Convocation of Vidyasagar University.

Resolution

*The Court of Vidyasagar University noted that as advised by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor based on the proposal submitted by the office of the Registrar regarding holding the next Convocation (22nd) of Vidyasagar University on 29th September, 2020 as per the norms of the University during the pandemic and outbreak situation of COVID-19, the matter was placed before the Executive Working Committee in its meeting held on 07.09.2020 wherein it was decided that due to non-feasibility of preparation of huge tasks required for Convocation & not finalization and publication of the results of the University for the year 2020 and also maintaining the social distance norms during the pandemic and outbreak of such situation, it will not be possible for us to hold the said Convocation for the year 2020. The Court also noted that the Executive Working Committee also decided that the decision of the Executive Working Committee be forwarded to the higher bodies of the University for further consideration.*

*After thorough discussion on the matter regarding holding the Twenty-second (22nd) Convocation of Vidyasagar University and subsequently the decision taken by the Executive Working Committee in this regard, it was resolved that the next Annual Convocation (22<sup>nd</sup>) of Vidyasagar University be held on 29.09.2021 where two years ( i.e. 2020 & 2021) degrees/diplomas/endowments/medals etc. to be awarded. Resolved further that the Registrar be requested to process further in this regard.*

Miscellaneous – 05(i)

To discuss the matter regarding the presence of all Heads of different Centres & Schools established at Vidyasagar University in the meetings of the Court of Vidyasagar University.

Resolution

*After thorough discussion on the matter regarding the presence of all Heads of different Centres & Schools established at Vidyasagar University in the meetings of the Court of Vidyasagar University, it was resolved that all Heads of different Centres, like, Centre for Life Sciences, Centre for Adivasi Studies & Museum, Centre for Womens' Studies, Centre for Environmental Studies etc. be invited to attend the meetings of the Court of Vidyasagar University as its members and it is to be the standing rule henceforth. Resolved also that the Registrar be requested to seek the legal opinion from the University Lawyer and to do the needful in this regard.*

Miscellaneous – 05(ii)

To note that the FM Radio Station, namely, "Betar Vidyasagar", has been established at Vidyasagar University.

Resolution

*The Court of Vidyasagar University noted that the FM Radio Station, namely, "Betar Vidyasagar" has been launched at Vidyasagar University and the inaugural programme for this auspicious occasion held on the 201<sup>st</sup> birth anniversary of Pandit Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar, i.e. on 26.09.2020 with the presence of eminent guests. The house congratulated the Vidyasagar University authority and the entire team of ICT Committee of Vidyasagar University for taking necessary initiative for launching such programme and starting its activities also.*

Miscellaneous – 05(iii)

To note the decisions of the Executive Working Committee of Vidyasagar University taken in its 67<sup>th</sup> meeting (4<sup>th</sup> meeting of its re-constituted Body) held on 07.09.2020.

Resolution

*The Court of Vidyasagar University noted the decisions taken by the Executive Working Committee of Vidyasagar University in its 67<sup>th</sup> meeting (4<sup>th</sup> meeting of its re-constituted Body) held on 07.09.2020 duly approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for its implementation.*

*Resolved that the decisions taken by the Executive Working Committee in its meeting held on 07.09.2020 duly approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for its implementation be ratified.*

Miscellaneous – 05(iv)

To note the Notification bearing Memo No. : VU/R/Noti./C0230/2020 dated 31.08.2020 issued by the University regarding formation of a Search Committee to scrutinize nominations and recommendation of the names of outstanding personalities for conferring upon the "Vidyasagar Puraskar" for the year 2020.

Resolution

*The Court of Vidyasagar University noted the notification bearing Memo No. VU/R/Noti./C0230/2020 dated 31.08.2020 issued by the University regarding formation of a Committee, namely, Search Committee consisting of (a) the Dean, Faculty of Arts & Commerce as Chairperson, (b) the Dean, Faculty of Science, (c) Professor Kousik Roy, Guru Nanak Professor and Head of the Department, Department of History, Jadavpur University and (d) Professor Kousiki Dasgupta, Vidyasagar Chair Professor and Head of the Department of History of Vidyasagar University as Convener to scrutinize nominations and recommendation of the names of the distinguished persons for outstanding contributions in the fields of literature, culture, education, social service & languages etc. for conferment upon the "Vidyasagar Puraskar" on the occasion of 201<sup>st</sup> Birth Anniversary of Pandit Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar, i.e. on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2020, as per the direction of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and duly ratified by the Executive Working Committee in its meeting held on 07.09.2020.*

*Resolved that the Search Committee constituted by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor to scrutinize nominations and recommendation of the names of outstanding personalities for conferment upon the "Vidyasagar Puraskar" for the year 2020 duly ratified by the Executive Working Committee (EWC) be accepted.*

Miscellaneous – 05(v)

To note the Notification bearing Memo No. VU/R/Noti./C0232/2020 dated 02.09.2020 published by the University seeking applications, nominations from the outstanding personalities/Vice-Chancellors/Pro-Vice-Chancellors of Universities/Deans of Universities/Directors of State and Central Institutes/Eminent Professor of Universities and well known persons for conferment of "Vidyasagar Puraskar" for the year 2020.

Resolution

The Court of Vidyasagar University noted the detailed Notification bearing Memo No. VU/R/Noti./C0232/2020 dated 02.09.2020 published by the University seeking applications/nominations/suggestions from the interested distinguished persons having outstanding contributions in the fields of literature, culture, education, social service & languages etc./ Vice-Chancellors/Pro-Vice-Chancellors of Universities/Deans of Universities/Directors of State and Central Institutes/Eminent Professor of Universities and well known persons for conferment upon the "Vidyasagar Puraskar" on the occasion of 201<sup>st</sup> Birthday Anniversary of Pandit Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar, i.e. on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 as per the direction of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and duly ratified by the Executive Working Committee of Vidyasagar University taken in its meeting held on 07.09.2020.

Resolved that the notification published by the University seeking applications/nominations/suggestions for conferment upon the Vidyasagar Puraskar for the year 2020 as per the direction of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor duly ratified by the Executive Working Committee be accepted.

Miscellaneous – 05(v)

To note that Dr. Amiya Kumar Samanta was conferred upon the "Vidyasagar Puraskar" on the occasion of 201<sup>st</sup> Birth Anniversary of Pandit Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar, i.e. on 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.

Resolution

The Court of Vidyasagar University noted that the Search Committee constituted to suggest/recommended the names of the "Vidyasagar Puraskar for the year 2020 nominated a few names for the year 2020 awards and proposed the names of six luminaries in various fields of educational, literary and cultural life of our society.

Proposed Names for Vidyasagar Puraskar, 2020

1. Dr. Aniya K. Samanta
2. Sri Sudhir Chakrabarti
3. Bibhas Chakraborty
4. Smt Bani Basu
5. Prof. Sugata Basu
6. Prof. Amitava Raychoudhuri

The Court also noted that in accordance with the recommendations of the Search Committee for Vidyasagar Puraskar 2020, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor approved the name of Dr. Amiya Kumar Samanta as the sole recipient of Vidyasagar Puraskar for the year 2020 and accordingly Dr. Samanta was awarded a cash prize of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand) only along with a citation as per the norms of the University on 26.09.2020, the 201<sup>st</sup> birth anniversary of Pandit Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar.

Resolved that the action of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor in conferring the Vidyasagar Puraskar to Dr. Samanta for the year 2020 be ratified.

  
Chairman  
COURT.

  
Secretary  
COURT.