

**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION  
NEW DELHI**

**MINUTES OF THE 40<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE EMPOWERED COMMITTEE ON  
BASIC SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH HELD ON 01<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 2011 IN UGC, NEW  
DELHI.**

The 40<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Empowered Committee on Basic Scientific Research was held on 01<sup>st</sup> March, 2011 in UGC, New Delhi. The following attended the meeting:

1. Prof. Ved Prakash  
Chairman  
UGC, New Delhi
2. Prof. M.M. Sharma  
3, Jaswant Baugh (Runwal Park)  
Behind Akbarallys  
V.N. Purav Marg, Chembur Naka  
Mumbai – 400 071
3. Prof. P.Rama Rao  
Flat No. 301,  
Naimisum, Plot No.22,  
Tri Nagar Colony,  
Hyderabad- 500 073
4. Prof. Kota Harinarayan  
Raja Ramana Fellow  
Structure Division  
National Aerospace Laboratories  
Bangalore-560 017.
5. Prof.S.P.Thyagarajan  
#5, 1st Main Road,  
Nehru Nagar, Adyar,  
Chennai - 600 020
6. Dr.P.Prakash  
Additional Secretary, UGC

Prof. Goverdhan Mehta could not attend the meeting.

Prof. R.P.Gandhi ,National Coordinator, Prof. (Mrs.) Sudesh Nangia, Associate Co-ordinator attended the meeting as special invitees.

Prof. M.M. Sharma welcomed all the Members and also thanked the Chairman, UGC for their sustained support for augmenting of the BSR programmes. Prof. Sharma then took up the agenda.

**Item No.1:- Confirmation of the minutes of the 39<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 18.01.2010 at UGC Office, New Delhi.**

The minutes of the 39<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2010 were confirmed.

**Item No.2:- Action taken on the minutes**

The Committee noted with satisfaction the action taken by the UGC.

**Item No.3:- Discussion with Prof.R.P.Gandhi,National Coordinator, Prof. Sudesh Nangia, Associate Coordinator, Faculty Recharge Programme regarding Website.**

The members of the Committee were apprised about the website of Faculty Recharge programme. The website will be launched after the clearance from Government empaneled firm i.e. Cyber Que for the Website's cyber security to host it for public domain. It was noted, that it may be ready by mid of March, 2011.

**Item No.4:- Discussion with Prof.Gadre , National Coordinator for D.S.Kothari Post-Doctoral Fellowship Scheme regarding status and proposals.**

Prof.S.R.Gadre could not attend the meeting due to preoccupation and the Committee recommended for speedy release of second phase grants for effective implementation of Dr.D.S.Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowship Scheme, University of Pune, Pune.

**Item No.5: Budget of BSR**

The Committee noted the budget of BSR during the current financial year 2010-2011. It was suggested that the arrears for BSR fellowship(s) may be expedited as per revised notes.

**Item No.6: Any other item**

The Committee further took the following decisions under any other item:

1. Prof.S.P. Thyagarajan has presented the list of eight faculty members who have produced more than 15 Ph.Ds in their career and 5 Ph.Ds in the last five years and recommended for sanction of one time grant of Rs.7.00 lakhs each, subject to the condition that their superannuation date is prior to minimum service period of two years before release of award letter.

<b>S.No.</b>	<b>Name of Faculty</b>	<b>Name of Department</b>	<b>Name of University</b>
1	Prof.S.Niranjali Devaraj	Biotechnology	University of Madras
2	Prof.T.Devaki		
3	Dr.Raj Kumar Sen	CSED	Rabindra Bharti University
4	Prof.P.Gunasekaran	Genetics	Madurai Kamaraj

5	Dr.A.K.Kumaraguru	School of Energy,Environmental & Natural Science	University
6	Dr.P.Thoman Muthiah	Chemistry	Bharathidasan University
7	Prof.M.D.Teli	Fibres and Textile Processing Technology	Institute of Chemical Technology
8	Prof.S.R.Shukla		

2. The Committee further approved the list of UGC-BSR Faculty Fellowship as per details given below who have minimum one year and maximum of two years service and the faculty fellowship is effective from their respective superannuation date. The awardee (s) who are recipients of National award such as J.C.Bose, Raja Ramana and Ramanujam Fellowships of DST and who have availed the fellowships in addition to the salary in their career would also be eligible for BSR-Faculty Fellowship. The recipient(s) may also avail the same as well as honorarium of the BSR Faculty Fellowship. It may be noted that such academic persons are allowed to admit Ph.D Scholars as per rules and regulations of the fellowship.

S.No.	Name of Faculty	Name of Department	Name of University
1.	Prof.A.K.Shukla	Solid State & Structural Engineering	Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
2.	Dr.R.Raghunathan	Organic Chemistry	Madras University
3.	Prof.M.C.Gayatri	Botany	Bangalore University
4.	Dr.Syed Ashraq Nabi	Chemistry	Aligarh Muslim University
5.	Dr.M.Saleemuddin	Biotechnology	Aligarh Muslim University
6.	Dr.Brahma Dutta Tripathi	Botany	Banaras Hindu University
7.	Dr.V.H.Mulimani	Biochemistry	Gulbarga University
8.	Dr.Rajuru Ramakrishna Reddy	Physics	Sri Krishnadevaraya University

9.	Prof.A.P.Pathak	Physics	University of Hyderabad
10.	Dr.R.Manavalan	Pharmacy	Annamalai University

3. Prof.S.P. Thyagarajan also presented the list of various SAP departments for consideration of additional fellowships based on number of Ph.Ds produced. The Committee considered the same and approved subject to condition that at any give time, not more than fifteen (15) fellowships are available to any SAP department which has received infrastructure grants from BSR.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Empowered Committee on April 25, 2011 in the ICT Mumbai.

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