# MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD AT SILIGURI

### ON 8<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2009

1. The first meeting of the Finance Committee of Sikkim University was held at 1000 hours on 8<sup>th</sup>

February 2009 at Hotel Sinclair, Siliguri.

# **2.** The following members were present.

Memb	Members				
1	Prof. Mahendra P. Lama,				
	Vice-Chancellor,				
	Sikkim University,				
	Gangtok 727102				
2	Shi M.P.Bezbaruah,				
	Honorary Director,				
	Administrative Staff College of India,				
	C-24, Qutub Institutional Area,				
	Behind Qutub Hotel,				
	New Delhi 110016				
3	Shri Arjun Syangden				
	Former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,				
	Akshay Tara Apartments,				
	Block No.6, Flat No.9,				
	2 ½, Mile, Sevoke Road,				
	Siliguri 734401				
	Phone: 0353 -2543519				

Special Invitee				
4	Shri S.S.Mahlawat,			
	Under Secretary,			
	Government of India,			
	Ministry of Human Resource Development,			
	Department of Higher Education,			
	Shastri Bhavan,			
	New Delhi 110 115.			
Statuto	ory Officers from University			
5	Shri S.K.Sarkar,			
	Registrar,			
	Sikkim University,			
	Gangtok 737102			
6	Shri P V Ravi,			
	Finance Officer & Ex-Officio Secretary to the			
	Finance Committee			
	Sikkim University, Gangtok 737102			

**3.** Shri T.T.Dorjee, Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Sikkim, Gangtok, Member of the Committee expressed his inability to attend the meeting due to his official pre-occupation. He however assured that he would endorse all the decisions taken by the committee during the meeting. The Committee gratefully acknowledged the gesture of Shri T.T.Dorjee and expressed its desire that his participation in the future meetings would immensely benefit the University.

4. At the outset, the Vice-Chancellor welcomed the esteemed members of the Committee. He made a PowerPoint presentation on the progress made by the University on various academic fronts since its formation in July 2007. The Vice Chancellor has also brought to the notice of the members of the Committee that Sikkim University is following transparent procedures in all cases and made as 'zero corruption' institution. The Committee was impressed with the immense progress made by the University so far.

**5.** The Vice- Chancellor informed the Committee that as per Sikkim University Act , the Finance Committee shall consist of nine members out of which the five members shall form quorum for the meeting. However, the following members are still to be nominated /appointed.

- 1. Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Member)
- 2. One member to be nominated by the Court
- 3. Three members to be nominated by the Visitor

Considering the situation, the number of members presently available to the committee including those nominated by the Executive Council is 4 (including the Vice-Chancellor). Therefore, the proportionate quorum if applied would come to 3 members. Thus, the 3 members present constituted the quorum for the meeting of the Finance Committee. The Vice-Chancellor has also informed the Committee that matter relating to early nomination of the members has already been taken up with the Government of India.

**6.** Then a PowerPoint presentation was made by the Finance Officer as regards to Fund Flow and Budget Estimates which was well taken by the members of the committee. While appreciating the efforts made by the Finance Officer in putting the systems and procedures so far, the Committee advised him to take all further steps needed in this direction to enable the University to follow the best financial discipline in the University.

7. After that the Agenda items were taken up for discussion.

### Group –I –Items which needed acceptance

### **FC: 01:01** Annual Budgets for 2008-09 and 2009-10

**01.1** The Committee considered in details the Budget proposals submitted by the University for the Financial Years 2008-09 and 2009-10. The Committee was also informed that Budget estimates for 2008-09 was already approved by the Executive Council in their first meeting held in August 2008. The Budget Estimates now submitted are based on the projections made by the University to UGC in November & December 2008 and also the allocations made by UGC during the Year 2008-09. The Committee suggested that the University may initiate steps in doing the preliminaries like preparation of panel of architects, norms for tenders, constitution of expert committees etc. so that as and when the land is allotted by the Government of Sikkim the work can start without delay.

**01.2** The Committee after due deliberations approved the Budgets for 2008-09 and 2009-10 as per Annexure-I

### FC: 01:02 Mobilization of funds from private agencies and NGOs

**02.1** The Committee examined the proposals submitted by the University for mobilization of funds from private agencies and NGOs. The Committee advised the University to prepare transparent guidelines before hand. The Committee also advised that various instructions issued by the Government of India and the RBI may be scrupulously followed before considering the proposals for acceptance by the University.

**02.2** With the above suggestions, the Committee has accorded its approval to the item.

#### FC: 01:03 Contributory Provident Fund Accounts of University

**03.1** The Committee considered the agenda item in detail. A question was raised by the Special Invitee from the Ministry of HRD as to whether the Contributory Provident Scheme would also be applicable when the University has to implement the New Pension Scheme. While responding this query, the Registrar mentioned that the University is ascertaining the practice followed in other universities as to whether both the schemes are in operation or not. He also pointed out that no pension scheme will be available to statutory officers who are appointed for a fixed tenure and as a social security measure; the Contributory Provident Fund scheme would benefit them.



**03.2** The Committee suggested that the matter may be referred to the University Grants Commission for a decision on the matter.

## FC: 01:04 Codification of Financial Rules of the University

**04.1** The University is in the process of codifying the financial regulations for a administering and managing the finances of the University on a day-to-day basis. Pending finalization of these regulations or in the absence of any regulation on any matter having financial bearing, the University proposed to follow the General Financial Rules of Government of India and other related financial rules in administration

**04.2** The Committee approved the proposal and resolved that the University shall follow the General Financial Rules etc. of the Government of India in the financial management affairs.

## Group II -- items which needed ratification

### FC: 01:05 Codification of Account Heads

**05.1** The Committee enquired about the pattern followed by the University for Codification of Accounts. The committee was explained that the University has adopted the pattern of codification following the List of Major & Minor Heads used by Government of India and also the codification followed by other Central Universities.

**05.2** The Committee ratified the codification of account heads as per Annexure II.

FC: 01:06 Accounting Policies

**06.1** The Committee after discussion ratified the Accounting Policies framed by the University as per Annexure III.

## FC: 01:07 Annual Accounts for 2007-08

**07.1** The Committee was given a copy of the Replies furnished to the Accountant General, Sikkim on the Special Audit Report on the accounts of Sikkim University for the year 2007-08. The committee noted the content and ratified the Annual Accounts for 2007-08.

**07.2** The Special Invitee from the Ministry of Human Resource Development has requested the University to furnish at least 50 copies of the Accounts and Audit Certificate (both English & Hindi) for submission before both the Houses of Parliament. The University assured to comply with the requirement made.

FC: 01:08 Fixation of sitting allowance to external members of statutory bodies, selection committee etc

**08.1** The Executive Council in its first meeting in August 2008 has approved payment of Rs.2000 per day as sitting fee to the external members of statutory bodies, selection committees etc.

**08.2** The Committee has ratified the action taken by the University.

### FC: 01:09 Appointment of teaching and non-teaching staff on contract basis

**09.1** The Executive Council vide item No.EC:01:13 authorised the VC to mobilize faculty members from Universities on short term basis. Accordingly, the university has recruited faculty members on contract basis for the existing academic courses run by the University. Since the formal sanction for the posts (both teaching and non-teaching) is yet to be received from the UGC, the University desired to fill the teaching and non-teaching posts on contract basis for the academic year 2008-09 and 2009-10. In all the cases the contracts are entered into for a period of 6 months and a consolidated sum is being paid to the contract employees recruited.

**09.2** The committee discussed the agenda item in length. It has also considered the constraints faced by the University in getting qualified people for the posts in view of locational disadvantage. Further the Committee has also been explained about the delays in getting the regular posts sanctioned by the UGC both for teaching and non-teaching.

**09.3** However, the Committee also cautioned that it is always preferable to get the posts filled on regular basis, when sanctioned by UGC and deployment of personnel for long term may cause legal and other implications in future. The suggestion of the Committee has been noted by the University.

**09.4** After noting all these, the Committee endorsed the action taken by the University.

### FC: 01:10 Payment of fixed medical allowance to regular and contract staff

**10.1** The Executive Council in its First meeting vide item no. EC:01:18 decided that the employees of the University (both regular and contractual) be paid fixed medical allowance of Rs.500 per month purely on temporary basis in lieu of reimbursement for treatment of self as outpatients w.e.f from 01.09.2008. It was mentioned that scope of treatment as outpatient is limited in the place where the University is presently located.

**10.2** The Committee considered the agenda item carefully and endorsed it as a temporary measure adopted by the University pending finalization of the regulations for Medical Attendance benefits for the staff members.

## FC: 01:11 Acquisition of Land at Gangtok

**11.1** The Committee after examining the item opined that though the acquisition of land at Gangtok has been approved both by the Executive Council and by the Expert Committee of UGC, yet it suggested

that the University can try for getting the land acquired for the University by the Government of Sikkim without any financial burden to the University. The Special Invitee informed that as a matter of Policy of Government of India, the land shall normally be provided to the University by the State Governments free of cost.

**11.2** The Committee directed the University to submit further progress made in this direction in the next meeting.

## FC: 01:12 Subsidy to University Cafeteria

**12.1** Presently the university is running a small cafeteria on contribution made by the staff members. Only basic infrastructures like furniture, utensils, water etc are provided by the University. In order to provide some sort of subsidy, a decision was taken to form a Sikkim University Canteen management committee which consists of members among the staff. The University will provide a monthly subsidy of **Rs.5,000/-** (Rupees Five thousand only) to the committee for providing eatables and beverages at lowest rates to the staff members.

**12.2** The ratified the action of the University in providing the subsidy to the University Cafeteria.

## FC: 01:13 Codification of Fixed Assets

**13.1** The Finance Committee ratified the decision of the University for Codification of Fixed Assets (Annexure IV) and advised that it shall be done immediately.

### Group III –Items which were reported for information

### FC: 01:14 Internet banking facilities with Axis Bank

**14.1** The University is operating all the financial transactions through the SB account maintained by it with Axis Bank, Gangtok Branch. In order to closely monitor the balances, cheques issued etc., the Finance Officer has been provided with "view only" facility in the internet banking with Axis Bank. For this facility the Axis Bank has provided a user name and password to the University. With this privilege, except viewing the up-to-date position of cheques issued/encashed/balance no other internet banking transaction can be performed.

**14.2** The Committee noted the information

### FC: 01:15 Infrastructure support to the colleges

**15.1** The affiliated colleges of the Sikkim University are distantly located in difficult hill areas. Most of these colleges are recently established having limited infrastructure for imparting quality education. Since Sikkim University plans to come up as an institute of excellence of all standards, it is imperative that the affiliated colleges are also brought up along. Thus it is necessary that the University supports the colleges in upgrading its infrastructure base to cope up with the phase of growth of Sikkim University. With that in view the University has taken the following steps.

- a. The University in association with BSNL has established leased line connectivity with all the affiliated colleges for transfer of data/voice/image/fax. The leased line facility in fact also acts as hotline between the University and the colleges. Further, using the leased line the University is planning to have video/audio conferencing with the affiliated colleges and also would beam all important lectures to the affiliated colleges by creating a virtual class room. The University is also planning to have an intranet with WAN using the leased lines. Using the intranet the colleges can access to all the academic and administrative data as are necessary for them instantaneously. More so, they can also upload all their data like student attendance, mid-semester marks, term paper marks and other academic information directly to the university server.
- b. The Executive Council vide item no. EC: 01:16 decided that to improve the academic activities approved earmarking a sum of Rs.20 lakh per annum for the purposes like conducting seminars/conferences/symposia etc in the affiliated colleges. The UGC vide d.o. letter no. F.24-

9/2008/CU dated 4.12.2008 has approved Rs.15 lakh for the purpose during the Plan period. For a new university like ours and also to fulfill the objects of the University as enshrined in Sikkim University Act 2006 we need to make considerable amount of expenditure on holding seminars/workshops etc to educate and train manpower for development of the state of Sikkim and pay special attention the improvement of the social and economic conditions and welfare of the people of Sikkim, their intellectual, academic and cultural development. Accordingly Rs.20 lakh for 2008-09 has been earmarked for the purpose.

c. Most of the colleges suffer from acute shortage of text and reference books. Although it is the responsibility of the individual institution to provide these basic inputs to the students, the colleges also suffer from computing and communication facilities for the students. Considering these difficulties, the University though it would be appropriate to provide some support at the initial stages to the affiliated colleges in the interest of quality assurance. Thus, the University decided to place certain basic text & reference books, computers, fax etc with the affiliated colleges to meet the above objective.

The expenses for the above would be financed out of Special Development Grant for Young Universities provided by the UGC during XI Plan.

**15.2** The Committee observed that while making various infrastructure facilities to the Colleges, the University also shall prepare detailed guidelines for provision of such support.

**15.3** The Committee noted the item. It has however directed that the same may again be put up in the next meeting for a detailed deliberation.

## FC: 01:16 Creation of Teaching and Non-Teaching Posts

**16.1** The Executive Council in its first meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2008, vide item no. EC: 01: 04 and EC 01.05 approved creation of certain teaching and non-teaching posts. The University submitted the proposals for creation of teaching and non-teaching posts under various categories to UGC for sanction under XI Plan period. The sanction of UGC was awaited. The posts will be formally created after the same are sanctioned by the UGC. Necessary financial and administrative approval will be taken for creation of these posts from the Finance Committee and the Executive Council in due course.

**16.2** The Committee noted the item reported. It advised that the matter may be vigorously followed up with UGC for early sanction of posts.

### FC: 01:17 Operation of Accounts by the Finance Officer

**17.1** In terms of Statue 7 (6) (a) of the First Statues of the University, the Finance Officer shall exercise general supervision over the funds of the University and shall advise it as regards its financial policy. Accordingly, the Finance Officer of the University is since been operating all the bank accounts of the University and signing the cheques issued by the University.

**17.2** The Committee noted the item reported.

### FC: 01:18 Any other Items – with the permission of Chair

**18.1** No other item was discussed in the meeting.

The meeting ended with Vote of thanks by the members and the Chairman.

Sd/-P.V.Ravi Finance Officer *Ex-Officio* Secretary, Finance Committee

# Annexure I

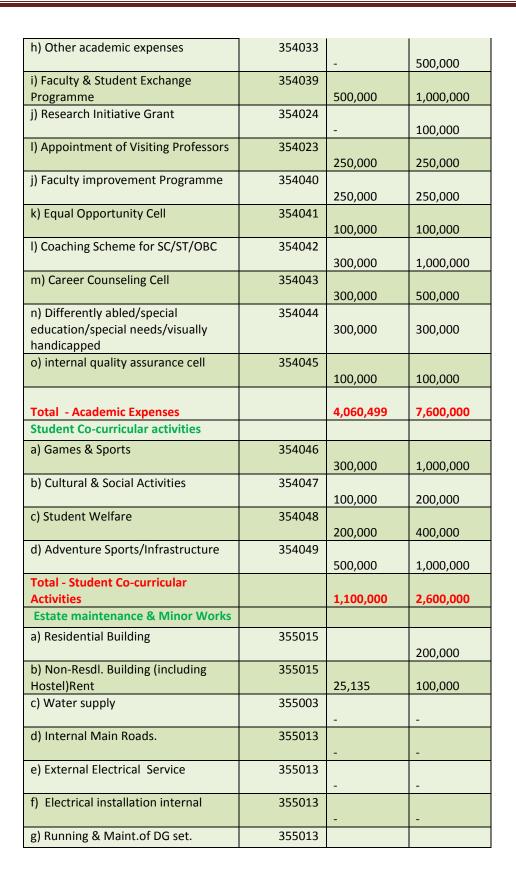
## BUDGET ESTIMATES 2008-09 AND 2009-10

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	Classification	BE 2008-09	BE 2009-10	
Head of Account	code	(In Rupees)	(In Rupees)	
Salaries	354001	10,000,000	12,500,000	
Total		10,000,000	12,500,000	
Pension/Retirement Benefits				
a) University contribution to CPF account	354013	32,030	40,000	
b) Pension contribution & leave salary contribution	354011	240,343	300,000	
c) Gratuity Fund Contribution	354012			
e) Family pension	354011	_		
Total		272,373	340,000	
Common item under establishment charges				
a) Staff Welfare	354003	8,135	15,000	
b) Honorarium	354009	300,000	350,000	
c) Bonus payment	354010	-	-	
d) Visiting Faculty	354023	_	100,000	
e) Medical reimbursement to employees	354007	-	50,000	
f) Leave Travel Concession	354006	137,105	200,000	
Total		445,240	715,000	
Office Maintenance Charges				
a) Printing & Stationery	355010	853,098	1,000,000	
<ul> <li>b) Running &amp; .Maintenance of Vehicles/POL</li> </ul>	355004	754,041	1,000,000	
c) TA/DA to Staff	355011	653,082	1,000,000	











# Annexure II

## **Codification of Account Heads**

Heads of Accounts	Code
Liabilities	
Capital Fund	102001
Grants to the extent utilised for capital expenditure	102001
Gifted Assets	102001
Assets created out of earmarked funds	102001
Assets created out of sponsored projects	102001
Assets created out of Hostel & Kitchen	102001
Others	102001
Earmarked/Endowment Funds	103001
Earmarked/Endowment Funds (specific)	103002
Income from Investments made of the funds	103003
Accrued interest on Investments made of funds	103004
Other additions	103005
Current liabilities	
Deposits from staff	104001
Deposits from Students	104002
Deposits from Others (EMD/SD)	104003
GPF contributions	104004
TDS Payable	104005
Income tax payable	104006
CPF Payable	104007
GIS Payable	104008
Salary payable	104009
Receipts against sponsored projects	104010
Unutilised grants	104011
Receipts against Fellowships and scholarships	104012
Other funds	104013
Other liabilities	104014
GPF Payable	104015
Library/Laboratory Caution Money	104016
CGHS Payable	104018
HBA Payable	104019
VAT Payable	104020
Cess Payable	104021
Profession Tax Payable	104022
PCA Payable	104023
Licence Fee Payable	104024

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Post Office SB Payable	104026
Provisions	
Provision for superannuation pension	105001
provision for gratuity	105002
provision for leave encashment	105003
provision for others	105004
Provision for Depreciation	105005
Other liabilities on sponsored projects	
	106001
UGC financed projects	
MHRD financed projects	106002
DST financed projects	106003
ICSSR financed projects	106004
ICHR financed projects	106005
ICCR financed projects	106006
CSIR financed projects	106007
Misc sources	106008
Other liabilities on sponsored fellowships and	106000
scholarships UGC financed	106009
MHRD financed	106010
DST financed	106011
ICSSR financed	106012
ICHR financed	106013
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ICCR financed	106015
CSIR financed	106016
Misc sources	106017
Unutilised Grants	
Plan Grants	107001
UGC Grants (Non-Plan)	107002
UGC Grants (Plan)	107003
UGC Grants (Others)	107004
Other Grants	107005
Other Funds	
V.C. Relief Fund	108001
Employees Relief Fund	108002
Teachers Association Fund	108003
Students Association Fund	108004
University Club Fund	108005
University Magazine Fund	108006
College Development Fund	108007
University Games Fund	108008
Cultural Activities Fund	108009

Hostel Fund

108010



Workshop / Seminar Fund Student Aid Fund Magazine Fund Social & Cultural Fund Pension fund Amenities fund Renewal & Replacement Fund Fixed Assets	108011 108012 108013 108014 108015 108016 108017
Land Building	201001 201002
Electrical Fittings	201003
Plant & Machinery	201004
Lab & Workshop Furniture & Equipement	201005 201006
Audio Visual Equipments	201000
Computers	201008
Vehicles	201009
Books	201010 201011
Camp Equipment Capital Works in Progress	201011
Student Amenities	201013
Software	201014
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Investments	
Debenture and Bonds	213001
Debenture and Bonds Bank Fixed Deposits	213002
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Advances on capital account Prepaid insurance Prepaid expenses Telephone deposit Lease Rent deposit Electricity deposits Interest accrued but not due other receivables Claims Receivable Other advances Miscellaneous Expenditure	228015 228016 228017 228018 228019 228020 228021 228022 228023 228023 228024 228025
Expenditure	
Expenditure Establishment Expenses Salaries and allowances to regular employees Salaries to ad-hoc staff OTA Dearness allowance Fees to visiting Professors LTC facilities Medical facilities Tuition fee reimbursement honorarium bonus Pension Gratuity PF contribution Leave encashment Leave salary/pension contribution Other establishment expenses Wages	354001 354002 354003 354004 354005 354006 354007 354008 354009 354010 354010 354011 354012 354013 354014 354015 354016 354017
Academic Expenses	
Laboratory expenses Excursion/Field Work teaching aids Seminar/workshop expenses Payments to visiting faculties Research activities examination expenses Convocation expenses Publication expenses Printing and processing (Examination) Printing and processing (others) stipends/scholarships Lab Chemicals and Consumables Awards Prizes & Scholarships Miscellaneous expenses	354019 354020 354021 354022 354023 354024 354025 354026 354027 354028 354029 354030 354030 354031 354032 354033

VC's Discretionary Grant Examination Charges Student Amenities Academic Consumables Admission Expenses Faculty& Student Exchange programme Faculty Improvement Programme Equal Opportunity Cell Counseling for SC/ST/OBC Career Counseling Schemes for Differently abled Internal Quality Assurance Student Co-curricular-Games& Sports Cultural & Social events Student Welfare Adventure Sports Women's Hostel Expenses	354034 354035 354036 354037 354038 354039 354040 354041 354042 354043 354044 354045 354046 354046 354047 354048 354049 354050
Administrative Expenses	
Rent, Rates & Taxes	355001
Electricity charges	355002
Water charges	355003
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Postage & Telegram	355005
Telephone & Internet	355006
Advertisement & Publicity	355007
Legal Expenses	355008
Liveries	355009
Printing & Stationery	355010
Travel and Conveyance	355011
Hospitality	355012
Repairs & Maintenance	355013
Cleaning material and services	355014
Maintenance of building	355015
Gardening	355016
Maintenance of computers	355017
Maintenance of furniture and equipment	355018
Miscellaneous Expenses	355019
Magazines and journals	355020
Bank charges	355021
Contingencies	355022
Insurance	355023
Depreciation	356001
Income	
Grants in aid/subsidies	457001
UGC Grants	457002

MHRD Grants	457003
Other Grants (Specific)	457004
Academic Receipts	457005
Tuition Fees	457006
Admission Fee	457007
Enrolment Fee	457008
Library Admission Fee	457009
Laboratory Fee	457010
Annual Fee	457011
Registration Fee	457012
Examination Fee	457013
Mark sheet/certificate fee	457014
ID Card Fee	457015
Fines/Misc Fee	457016
Medical fees	457017
Garden Fees	457018
Sales of Publications	457019
sale of prospectus and admission forms	457020
Income from Publications	457021
Subscriptions received	457022
Income from Investments	457023
On bonds/debentures	457024
On shares	457025
On university development fund investments	457026
On Endowment Fund investments	457027
Interest Earned	457028
on fixed deposits	457029
on maintenance grants	457030
on special aids	457031
on term deposits	457032
other bank interest (SB)	457033
Other Income	457034
Hostel Room Rent	457035
Licence fee	457036
Guest House rent	457037
Hire charges	457038
electricity and water charges	457039
medical contribution	457040
overhead charges from projects	457041
sale of application forms for recruitments	457042
sale of tender forms, waste paper etc	457043
Prior period Income	457044
Interest on plan grant	457045
Student Aid Fund	457046
Sports Fee	457047

### Annexure III

### SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### 1. BASIS FOR PREPARATION OF ACCOUNTS

The accounts are prepared under the Historical Cost convention unless otherwise stated and generally on the Accrual method of accounting, unless otherwise stated.

### 2. **REVENUE RECOGNITION**

Fees from Students, Sales of Forms, Interest on Savings Bank Deposits are accounted for on Cash Basis

Income from Property/Assets and interest on Investments are accounted for on accrual basis

Interest on staff advances are accounted for on accrual basis.

### 3 FIXED ASSESTS AND DEPRECIATION

Fixed Assets are stated cost of acquisition including inward freight, duties and taxes and other incidental expenses related to acquisition, installation and commissioning.

Fixed Assets are valued at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation on fixed assets is provided on straight line method at the following rates

Buildings	2%
Electrical Installation and Equipment	5%
Plant & Machinery	5%
Scientific & Laboratory Equipment	8%
Office Equipment	7.5%
Audio Visual Equipment	7.5%
Computer & Peripherals	20%
Furniture & Fittings	7.5%
Vehicles	10%
Books & Journals	10%
Others	10%

Full Depreciation is provided on additions made during the year

Where an asset is fully depreciated, it will be carried at a residual value of Re.1 in the accounts

Assets created out of Earmarked Funds/Sponsored Projects, where the ownership of such assets vests with Sikkim University, Depreciation is charged at rates applicable to the respective group of assets.

Assets gifted to Sikkim University are set up by credit to Capital Fund and merged with Fixed Assets and depreciation is charged at the applicable rates.

Books received as gifts are valued at selling price printed on the books. Where the selling price is not mentioned, the valuation is done by assessment and accounted for.



### 4 RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Retirement benefits are provided for in the accounts on the basis of actuarial valuation at the end of each year.

### 5 INVESTMENTS

All investments are valued at cost

## 6 GOVERNMENT AND UGC GRANTS

Government and UGC Grants are accounted for on realization basis

To the extent utilized towards capital expenditure, the government grants and grants from UGC are transferred to the Capital Fund.

Government and UGC Grants for meeting Revenue Expenditure are treated to the extent utilized, as income of the year in which they are realized.

Unutilized grants (including advances paid out of such grants) are carried forward and exhibited as Liability in the Balance Sheet.

## 7 INVESTMENT OF EARMARKED/ENDOWMENT FUNDS AND INTEREST INCOME ACCRUED ON SUCH INVESTMENTS

To the extent not immediately required for expenditure, the amounts available against funds are invested in approved Securities and Bonds or deposited for fixed term with Banks, leaving the balance in Savings Bank Accounts

Interest received, interest accrued and due and interest accrued but not due on such investments are added to the respective funds and not treated as income of the university.

### 8 SPONSORED PROJECTS

In the case of Sponsored projects the amounts received from the sponsors are credited to Current Liabilities and as and when the expenditure is incurred /advances paid the concerned project account is debited with allocated overhead charges. Overhead charges recovered from the projects are treated as income of the Sikkim University.

The debit balance of individual sponsored projects is exhibited under Current Assets being recoverable from sponsors.

## 9 FELLOWSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

The Fellowships and Scholarships are accounted for in the same way as Sponsored projects except that the expenditure generally is only on disbursement of Fellowships and Scholarships, which may include allowances for contingent expenditure by the Fellows and Scholars. When the Fellowships and Scholarships are awarded by the Sikkim University itself the same is accounted for expenses.

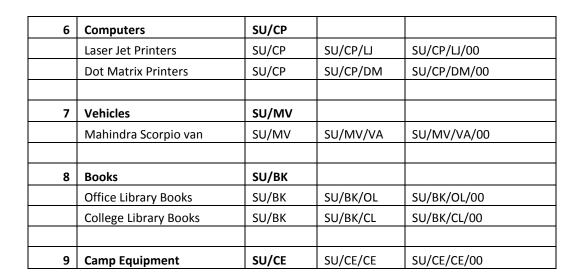
### 10 INCOME TAX`

The income of the University is exempt from the Income Tax Act under section 10 (23 C) of the Income Tax Act. No provision for Tax is therefore made in the accounts.

# Annexure IV

# **Codification of Fixed Assets**

S. No.	Nomenclature of Asset	Basic Code (Alpha)	Secondary Code(Alpha)	Third Code (Numeric) – Final Asset classification
1	Electrical Fittings	SU/EF		
	Fan	SU/EF	SU/EF/FN	SU/EF/FN/00
	Fridge	SU/EF	SU/EF/FR	SU/EF/FR/00
	Vacuum cleaner	SU/EF	SU/EF/VC	SU/EF/VC/00
	UPS	SU/EF	SU/EF/UP	SU/EF/UP/00
	Fax Machine	SU/EF	SU/EF/FM	SU/EF/FM/00
2	Plant & Machinery	SU/PM		
	Microwave Oven	SU/PM	SU/PM/MO	SU/PM/MO/00
	Gas stove	SU/PM	SU/PM/GS	SU/PM/GS/00
	Photo copier	SU/PM	SU/PM/PC	SU/PM/PC/00
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3	Lab & Workshop	SU/LW	SU/LW/WW	SU/LW/WW/00
4	Furniture & Equipment	SU/FE		
	Office Table	SU/FE	SU/FE/OT	SU/FE/OT/00
	Computer Table	SU/FE	SU/FE/CT	SU/FE/CT/00
	Chairs	SU/FE	SU/FE/CC	SU/FE/CC/00
	Sofa set	SU/FE	SU/FE/SS	SU/FE/SS/00
	Теароу	SU/FE	SU/FE/TP	SU/FE/TP/00
	Dining Table	SU/FE	SU/FE/DT	SU/FE/DT/00
	Book Shelf	SU/FE	SU/FE/BS	SU/FE/BS/00
	Office Chair	SU/FE	SU/FE/OC	SU/FE/OC/00
	Dining Chair	SU/FE	SU/FE/DC	SU/FE/DC/00
	Almairah	SU/FE	SU/FE/AL	SU/FE/AL/00
	File cabinet	SU/FE	SU/FE/FC	SU/FE/FC/00
	Sliding cabinet	SU/FE	SU/FE/SC	SU/FE/SC/00
	Telephone instrument	SU/FE	SU/FE/TI	SU/FE/TI/00
5	Audio Visual Equipments	SU/AV		
	LCD Projector	SU/AV	SU/AV/LC	SU/AV/LC/00



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