Minutes of the 4th Meeting of the Board of Management of Atal Medical & Research University, Himachal Pradesh, Mandi at Nerchowk held on 20-06-2024 at 11:30 A.M. through Video Conference under the Chairmanship of Prof.(Dr.) Surender Kashyap, Vice-Chancellor, AMRU, H.P.

The following were present in the meeting:-

1.	Sh. Suresh Kumar, Hon'ble MLA, Bhoranj, Distt. Hamirpur.	Member
2.	Sh. Chander Shekher, Hon'ble MLA, Dharampur, Distt. Mandi.	Member
3.	Sh. Vinay Kumar, (IAS) Special Secretary (Finance) Nominee of Principal Secretary (Finance)	Member
4.	Sh. Ashwani Kumar (IAS) Special Secretary (Health) Nominee of Secretary (Health)	Member
5.	Dr. Rakesh Sharma DME&R, H.P.	Member
6.	Prof. (Dr.) Raj Bahadur	Member
7.	Dr. Harish Behal	Member
8.	Dr. Tek Singh Mahant	Member
9.	Dr. Satinder Singh Minhas	Member
10.	Dr. P. K. Sharma, Dean of Academic Affairs, AMRU	Special Invitee
11.	Sh. Kartar Singh, Finance Officer, AMRU	Special Invitee
12.	Sh. Amar Negi, HPAS Registrar, AMRU	Member Secretary

At the outset, the Vice-Chancellor extended warm welcome to all the Hon'ble members and thanked them for sparing their valuable time to attend the 4th meeting of Board of Management. He especially welcomed the newly nominated members of Board of Management for attending the meeting.

The Chairperson apprised the members about the work & achievements of the University. He informed the members that steps are been taken to digitalized the University using IUMS i.e Integrated University Management System. The Counselling, admission, evaluation etc. are being done online using IUMS. He briefed the members that AMRU has affiliated all the health institutions in the State. He



further apprised the members about the status of land for the campus of the University and also highlighted the issue of shortage of staff in different sections.

After initial comments Chairperson asked the Member Secretary to present the agenda items.

After this, the agenda items were taken up for discussion:-

Item No. 4.1 To confirm & approve the Minutes of 3rd Meeting of the Board of Management held on 04-06-2022.

The 3rd Meeting of Board of Management dated 04.06.2022 were placed before the members for approval. Special Secretary (Finance) informed the Member Secretary that he has not received the minutes of 3rd Meeting of Board of Management and requested to enclose the same for consideration. Accordingly, the Board of Management confirm, consider and approve the same.

Item No. 4.2 To place before the Board of Management the action taken report on the decisions of its 3rd Meeting held on 04-06-2022.

All the attending members of the Board of Management noted and expressed satisfaction over the action taken report (ATR) on the discussion of its 3rd meeting held on 04-06-2022.

Item No. 4.3 To confirm & approve the Minutes of 4th Meeting of Academic Council held on 17-12-2022.

The Member Secretary apprised the members about the decisions taken in 4th Academic Council meeting. He informed the members that Academic Council had also approved the regulations with respect to Conduct of Meetings, Recruitment procedure & Conditions of Service Rules, and Conduct of Examinations framed by the University.

After detailed deliberation in this matter, the Board of Management considered, confirmed and approved the minutes of 4th meeting of Academic Council held on dated 17-12-2022.

Item No. 4.4 To confirm & approve the Minutes of 5th Meeting of Academic Council held on 04-10-2023.

The Board of Management considered, confirmed and approved the minutes of 5th meeting of Academic Council held on dated 04-10-2023.

Item No. 4.5 To confirm & approve the Minutes of 6th Meeting of Academic Council held on 20-03-2024.

Member Secretary apprised the members that University has framed regulations for Evaluation and Inspection which was approved by the Academic Council. He also informed the members that as recommended by the Scrutiny Committee of the University the Academic Council approved the de-affiliation of B.Sc Medical Technology (Renal Dialysis) course in the IGMC due to non availability of faculty. Member Secretary further briefed the members that a letter vide No. HFW-B(F)11-2/2022 dated 14.06.2024 was received from the Govt. mentioning that they have appointed Dr. Kamakshi as Assistant Professor on contract basis in the Department of Nephrology at IGMC/AIMSS, Shimla, and it has been decided by the Govt. that the B.Sc. Medical Technology (Renal Dialysis) course be continued. Further, the said matter was discussed and members decided that since Govt. has appointed faculty for above mentioned course the same may be continued in the IGMC.

Member Secretary also informed the members that vide item no 6.19, the 6th meeting of Academic Council had approved the final examination result of B.Sc. Nursing (Post Basic), M.Sc. Nursing students for Academic Session 2022-24. He further apprised the members that as per the University Ordinance (Vol. II), Chapter XXVII (Admission to Degrees) it is necessary for the Academic Council to approve the name of the students who have passed the various examinations qualifying them for admissions to the degrees of the University. When the Academic Council has sanctioned the admission of any such person to such degree, he/she shall be entitled to be formally admitted to that degree. Accordingly, the names of students who have passed B.Sc. Nursing (Post Basic) and M.Sc. Nursing were placed before Academic Council and are duly approved for the award of the degree to which they are entitled.

Dr. S.S. Minhas & Dr. Rai Bahadur also raised an issue with respect to the Super Speciality course of Neuro- Surgery. It was clarified by Dean of Academic Affairs, AMRU that the Neuro-Surgery course pertains to M.Ch. rather than to DM. Accordingly, the correction will be made in the minutes of 6th Academic Council meeting.



After detailed deliberation in this matter, the Board of Management considered, confirmed and approved the minutes of 6th meeting of Academic Council held on dated 20-03-2024.

Item No. 4.6 To confirm the Minutes of 5th Meeting of Finance Committee held on 04-10-2022.

The Board of Management considered, confirmed and approved the minutes of 5th meeting of Finance Committee held on dated 04-10-2022.

Item No. 4.7 To confirm the Minutes of 6th Meeting of Finance Committee held on 13.02.2024.

The Board of Management considered, confirmed and approved the minutes of 6th meeting of Finance Committee held on dated 13-02-2024.

Item No. 4.8 Regarding approval of R&P Rules of Senior Assistant as notified by Govt. of H.P. vide Notification No. Per(AP)-C-A (3)-3/2004-I dated 11-11-2021 for its implementation in this University.

The Member Secretary informed the Board of Management that that the Govt. of H.P. vide notification No. Per (AP)-C-A (3)-3/2007-I dated 11-11-2021 has amended the Senior Assistant, Class-III (Non-Gazetted, Ministerial Services), Common Recruitment and Promotion Rules, 2011 notified vide Notification No. Per(AP)-C-A(3)-7/2010 dated 3rd August, 2011 which shall be applicable to all the Govt. Departments of the State of H.P. and University has adopted the aforementioned R&P rules vide Notification No. AMRU/GAD/2021/737-43 Dated 10-01-2022. The Board of Management considered and approved the same.

Item No. 4.9 First Amendment in the Statutes of Atal Medical and Research University (AMRU), H.P.

The Member Secretary informed the Board of Management that the State Govt. vide Notification No. Fin(Pen)A(3)-1/2023 dated 04th May, 2023 and OM No. Fin(Pen)A(3)-1/2023 dated 04th May, 2023 has made Amendment in the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972, and issued Standard Operating Procedure, for allowing Old Pension to the employees of the State Govt. It is further brought to your kind notice that Atal Medical and Research University, H.P. has adopted in principle instruction/Standard Operating Procedure issued by State Govt. to implement the Old Pension Scheme under the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972 for their employees vide Notification No. AMRU/GAD/Gen./2022(Vol-I)-3567-3572 dated 08-05-2023.



Further, Member Secretary apprised the members that the Finance Committee vide agenda 6.8 has approved the item in principle with condition that the expenditure for implementing Old Pension Scheme shall be met by the University out of its own resources/funds. The Finance Committee also approved to make necessary amendments in the First Statutes of the University for adoption of OPS and creation of Pension fund, Gratuity fund, GPF and framing rules to govern the same.

He further informed the members that the following amendment/addition may be incorporated in the First Statutes of AMRU.

Short Title: This amendment/addition may be called Atal Medical & Research University, H.P. Statutes, (FIRST AMENDMENT, 2024).

Amendment in the Sub-clause 46(1) in Clause-46 of first Statutes of Atal Medical and Research University, H.P.

	Proposed Clause (46 (1)	
The Teachers and employees of the University shall be covered under the Himachal Pradesh Civil Services Contributory Pension Rule, 2006	The Teachers and employees of the University shall be covered under the Central Civil Services (Pension), Rules, 1972 as per the instructions issued by Govt. of Himachal Pradesh Finance (Pension) Department vide notification No. Fin (Pen)A(3)-1/2023 Dated 04th May, 2023 after exercising the option to adopt the CCS (Pension) Rules, 1972. The employees of the University already working and covered under NPS scheme shall be shifted to CCS (Pension), Rules, 1972 as per the instructions issued by Govt. of H.P.	



After detailed discussion, the Board of Management approved the same.

Item No. 4.10. Regarding identification of land for establishment of Atal Medical & Research University.

The member Secretary briefed the Board of Management that the major portion of earlier identified land as approved for the construction of AMRU comprised in the Khasra No. 507 area measuring 125-8-19 Bighas situated in muhal sayohali/224, Tehsil Balh, Distt. Mandi, H.P has been washed away in the nearby khad during last year's heavy rainfall and flash floods. The remaining land is not adequate for the construction of AMRU.

He further apprised the members that University had identified the land comprised in Khasra Nos. 1/1 & 1/2 Kita 2 area measuring 129-02-11 bighas situated in muhal Vahlag/92, Tehsil Sundernagar, Distt Mandi for the purpose of establishment of AMRU. The case for approval in this regard has already been sent to the Govt. vide letter dated 29-05-2024. It was impressed upon by all the members that the issue may be taken up with the Govt on priority.

After deliberation, the Board of Management perused and approved the same.

Item No. 4.11 Regarding constitution of Promotion Committee.

The Member Secretary informed the Board of Management that a Committee for Recruitment and Promotion stand constituted vide Clause No. 24 A of first Statutes of this University. There is a need of separate promotion committee to convene the meetings for promotion of the Non-Teaching staff working in this University. The proposal for the committee is as under:

1. Vice-Chancellor - Chairperson

2. Registrar - Member

Controller of Examinations - Member

4. Finance Officer/

Deputy Controller (F&A)/ - Member

Section Officer

After a detailed discussion, the Board of Management approved the item as proposed.



Item No. 4.12 Regarding sanction of earned leave in respect of Prof. (Dr.) Surender Kashyap, Vice-Chancellor, AMRU.

The Member Secretary informed the Board of Management that Prof. (Dr.) Surender Kashyap Vice-Chancellor is planning to avail earned leave w.e.f 27.08.2024 to 11.10.2024 to visit his family in the USA and also to attend an International World Lung Cancer Conference (WCLC 2024) to be held at San Diego, USA from 07th September to 10th September 2024.

As per University Act 14 (6) 'When any temporary vacancy occurs in the office of the Vice-Chancellor by reason of leave, illness or other causes, the Chancellor, on the advice of the Board of Management, shall make such arrangement for carrying out the duties of the Vice-Chancellor, as he may deem fit.

Provided that pending the making of such arrangement by the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor with the prior approval of the Board of Management, may designate one person from amongst the Deans of the University to be the In-charge of current duties of the Vice-Chancellor for a period not exceeding one month or till arrangements are made by the Chancellor, whichever is earlier'.

He further requested the members to approve the earned leave w.e.f. 27.08.2024 to 11.10.2024 (46 days), excluding prefixed (25.08.2024 & 26.08.2024) and post-fixed (12.10.2024 & 13.10.2024) leave, in favor of Prof. (Dr.) Surender Kashyap, Vice-Chancellor, AMRU and the same may be allowed to be forwarded to the Hon'ble Chancellor, AMRU, for sanction, please. He also proposed that Dean of faculty of Medicine, Dr. Ramesh Bharti, Principal, Dr. Radhakrishnan Govt. Medical College in Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh may be given the charge of Vice-Chancellor, AMRU during the leave period of Prof (Dr.) Surender Kashyap subject to approval from the Hon'ble Chancellor.

The Board of Management approved the same as proposed.

Item No. 4.13 Regarding Annual Administrative Report for the year 2023-24.

The Member Secretary informed the Board of Management that the Annual Administrative Report for the year 2023-24 has been prepared by the

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University and submitted for the kind perusal & approval of the Board of Management.

After perusal of the report, Board of Management approved the same.

Item No. 4.14: Permission to fill-up the sanctioned posts of the Atal Medical and Research University, H.P.

The Member Secretary apprised the Board of Management that University has purchased IUMS to digitalize and streamline the functioning of the University. The Counselling, Admission, Evaluation etc are also done through IUMS and considerable amount has also been spend on it. He added that due to lack of technical staffed i.e. Programmer and System Analyst it is getting difficult to manage the same and requested to kindly grant the permission to fill-up the sanctioned posts. He further added that all the branches of University are under staff and there are no supervisory staff available to monitor the working of Dealing Assistant(s). He informed that letter in this regard has already been send to Govt. for approval. He also informed the members that chances are very high that majority of JOA-IT on contract working in the University may leave the University once the result of JOA-IT post code 817 may be declared by the Rajya Chayan Ayog (RCA), Hamirpur. In case of such scenario, it will be impossible for University to continue with routine works. Therefore he requested the members to grant the permission to fill up the sanctioned vacant posts. The Special Secretary (Finance) informed the member that University may seek the permission from the Govt. to fill up the sanctioned posts as per the approval accorded by the Finance Committee.

Accordingly the agenda item was perused and approved by the Board of Management.

Spot Agenda Items :-

Item No. 4.15 To confirm & approve the Minutes of 7th Meeting of Academic Council held on 14-06-2024.

The Board of Management considered, confirmed and approved the minutes of 7th meeting of Academic Council held on dated 14-06-2024.



Thereafter Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor requested the members for their valuable suggestions or comments.

Sh. Chander Shekher, Hon'ble MLA, Dharampur, appreciated the steps taken by University. He assured the members that the issue of acute shortage of staff and establishment of campus for University will be taken up at Govt. level for smooth functioning of the University. Dr. Minhas also appreciated the steps taken by University and further emphasized that focus should be on research and clinical services. Dr. Raj Bahadur informed that the lecture on various research topics are organized by the National Academy of Medical Sciences through the eminent experts. He suggested that lectures on various research topic like orthopaedics should be arranged for the students of various Medical Colleges affiliated with AMRU, H.P.

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor in his closing comments apprised the members that University is committed to providing a better environment for research in all the affiliated colleges and our vision is also in line with the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh for providing better health services in the medical field. He also informed the members that an MoU has been signed with IIT Mandi to promote research and University has also an understanding with PGIMER, Chandigarh regarding the same. He also informed the members that University is going to sign a MoU with CSIR, Palampur to promote research and related activities in the University.

In the end, Member Secretary once again thanked the members for participating in the meeting and engaging in fruitful discussion.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

Aman Negi, Registrar, AMRU (Member Secretary)

Confirmed

Dr. Surender Kashyap, Vice-Chancellor, AMRU (Chairman)