

# উত্তরবঙ্গ কৃষি বিশ্ববিদ্যালয় পুণ্ডিবাড়ী, কোচবিহার, পশ্চিমবঙ্গ-৭৬৬১৬৫

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#### Clarification Regarding Position of the University against Allegation upon it

Of late, a grievous allegation regarding recruitment of Dean of Faculty of Agriculture, *Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya*, Pundibari, Coochbehar is being propagated in the print, electronic and social media by a Teacher of the Faculty of Technology of this University.

The allegation is completely false and based on lies as well as purported interpretation of provisions mentioned in the Act and Statute of the University.

The Dean of a Faculty has to be selected by the Vice-Chancellor from amongst the already recruited teachers in the rank of Professor of the concerned Faculty. The clause 30 (1) of The Uttar Banga Krishi Viswavidyalaya Act, 2000 states that "There shall be a Dean for each Faculty who shall be selected by the Vice-Chancellor from amongst the Professors of the concerned Faculty and shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor with the approval of the Council".

The manner by which the Dean of a Faculty will be selected and appointed is prescribed in the Part III of the First Statute of the University which is reproduced below:

Clause 13: For the post of Dean of a Faculty, application shall be invited from amongst the Professors of the concerned Faculty through notification.

Clause 14 (2): The Screening Committee shall scrutinize all applications including those for the post of Dean of a Faculty and recommend the names of candidates to be called for an interview, excepting those found eligible for selection of Dean of a Faculty. The Vice-Chancellor shall select a person from amongst the eligible candidates to the post of Dean of a Faculty on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed.

The screening of the internal candidates in the present case was done by the Statutory Screening Committee on the basis of the scorecard approved by the Executive Council. For selection of candidates 80% weightage was given to their academic achievements as evaluated by the Screening Committee. Only 20% weightage was given for making a presentation by each candidate on their vision plan before the Vice-Chancellor. The entire process was conducted in a transparent manner and the scorecard of any candidate can be acquired through right to information act and scrutinized.

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Therefore, the wrong propaganda on the issue of recruitment of Dean of Faculty of Agriculture is being circulated through print, electronic, and social media by the said Teacher of the Faculty of Technology with a *malafide* intention to defame the University and its Authority. He also contacted several members of the Executive Council of this University and public in general through email disseminating this false propaganda. The University Authority took this defamatory attack upon the image of the University with due seriousness and initiated appropriate disciplinary proceedings as per the provisions prescribed by the Act, Statute, Rules & Guidelines, and Executive Council of the University.

I am directed to assure you that the University is functioning perfectly as per the law of the land at this juncture. The entire staff of the University is committed to the welfare of farmers of the region as well as students, teachers and other staff.

Keeping absolute reliance upon and due regard of Act, Statute as well as law of the nation it is being issued with the permission of the Competent Authority for enlightenment of all stakeholders of the University including students, parents of the students, teachers, officers, non-teaching staff, other staff, farmers, collaborators, industry partners, well-wishers and the public in general about lawful functioning of the University.

By order of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancelld

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