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**MINUTES OF THE
FIFTIETH MEETING OF THE
GRI SOCIETY**

**VENUE : BOARD ROOM,
ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK,
GRI-DU, GANDHIGRAM**

DATE : 29.09.2015

TIME : 11.00 A.M.



**THE GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE – DEEMED UNIVERSITY
GANDHIGRAM – 624 302, DINDIGUL DISTRICT
TAMIL NADU**

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MINUTES OF THE FIFTIETH MEETING OF THE GRI SOCIETY HELD ON 29.9.2015 AT THE BOARD ROOM, ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK, GANDHIGRAM RURAL INSTITUTE, GANDHIGRAM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| 1. Dr. S. Natarajan
Vice-Chancellor | - President |
| 2. Dr. B. Subburaj
Dean, Faculty of Rural Social Sciences | - Member |
| 3. Dr. M. Sundaravadivelu
Dean, Faculty of Rural Oriented Sciences | - Member |
| 4. Ms. A. Jansirani
Dean, Faculty of Rural Health & Sanitation | - Member |
| 5. Dr. M. Saleem Baig,
Dean, Faculty of Tamil, Indian Languages and Rural Arts | - Member |
| 6. Dr. S. Ganesh
Dean, Faculty of Agriculture & Animal Husbandry | - Member |
| 7. Dr. G. Baskaran
Dean, Faculty of English and Foreign Languages | - Member |
| 8. Dr. N. Narayanasamy, Dean, FRD. | -Member |
| 9. Shri M.R. Rajagopalan
Managing Trustee, Gandhigram Trust, Gandhigram | - Member |
| 10. Dr. S.Sathikh
Vice-Chancellor's nominee | - Member |
| 11. Dr. M.P. Vasimalai
Vice-Chancellor's Nominee | - Member |
| 12. Dr. D.K. Oza
Nominee of the GRI Society | - Member |
| 13. Dr. P. Balasubramaniam, Registrar, GRI | - Non-Member
Secretary |
| 14. Shri V. Balasubramanian, Special Officer (Finance), GRI | - Special Invitee |

Dr.Latha Pillai, Nominee of the GRI Society, and Dr. K.M. Natarajan, Nominee of the GRI Society could not attend the meeting.

The meeting started at 11.00 a.m. with a one minute silent prayer.

The Vice-Chancellor extended a warm welcome to the members and thanked them for their co-operation in strengthening the activities of the Institute and requested them to extend the same in future also. Further, the Vice-Chancellor highlighted the significant initiatives and Milestones in Gandhigram Rural Institute (2014-2015).

Dr. S. Sathikh appreciated the sanction of skill development of B.Voc. Programmes to GRI.

Dr. M.P. Vasimalai thanked the updation of the data. He suggested that one hour each may be allotted for Advisory nature - Think Tank (i.e. Thought comes from members) and one hour for discussion on statutory things. He also pointed out to extend our effort on the areas like Collaboration of Universities, Common ground to be analyzed for youth, Agriculture, Rural Development, Resources, Knowledge part, Placement of students, Gandhian elements (Distinct elements) etc.

Shri D.K. Oza also appreciated the discussion on Think Tank for one hour. He highlighted the importance of Skill Development Programme. (SDP)

The Vice-Chancellor replied that the Placement Cell of the Institute has taken up the Skill Development Programme. The matter will be further discussed in the Deans' meeting and appropriate action will be taken after NAAC visit to Gandhigram.

Dr. Sathikh requested the Vice-Chancellor to present in the next meeting what are the cooperative sectors available in the GRI for training students.

With regard to the accounts of the GRI, Dr. Vasimalai suggested various measures that may be initiated with the approval of the Board of Management

- ❖ Reduce the AG Audit Paras
- ❖ Internal Audit to be strengthened and Auditors from outside may be engaged for internal audit
- ❖ Installation of Accounting Software: The entire accounting system has to be computerized for quick retrieval of accounting data and decision making.
- ❖ Maintenance of Common Assessment Register : Department-wise assets maintained need to be consolidated and common Asset Register has to be maintained
- ❖ Senior Dean may be deputed to clarify audit related queries at the time of audit
- ❖ Corpus fund of GRI be increased from Rs.3 Crores to Rs.10 Crores and it may be used for creation of assets.
- ❖ Policy to be evolved for Corpus Fund, Alumni Fund, GRI Memorial Fund etc.
- ❖ Cash Management Policy to be evolved and Cash Flow statement to be prepared
- ❖ Merge some endowments and a policy to be evolved.
- ❖ Regarding Projects, a statement may be presented showing the details on (i) Number of on going Projects; (ii) Number of projects completed and (iii) and number of projects closed.
- ❖ Depreciation/Replacement method to be followed.
- ❖ Annual Reports of GRI may be given in a CD form and minimum copies on Colour print may be made available as Hard copy.

He also suggested to have one more meeting for discussions on Think Tank concepts under the following aspects::

- Low cost suggestions for the improvement of GRI
- Strategic Plans with 3 to 5 focus areas relevant to GRI
- Workshop on Vision Document 2020 may be organized

The Vice-Chancellor then initiated the agenda items for discussions.

1. Item No.189/GRIS.2015.IX : CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

To confirm the minutes of the Forty Ninth meeting of the GRI Society held on 25.5.2015 at Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram.

The GRI society considered and resolved to approve the minutes of the Forty Ninth meeting of the GRI Society held on 25.5.2015 at Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram.

2. Item No.190/GRIS.2015.IX : ACTION TAKEN REPORT

To consider and approve the report of the Registrar on the action taken on the minutes of the Forty Ninth meeting of the GRI Society held on 25.5.2015 at the Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram.

The GRI society considered and resolved to approve the report of the Registrar on the action taken for the minutes of the Forty Ninth meeting of the GRI Society held on 25.5.2015 at the Gandhigram Rural Institute, Gandhigram.

3. Item No.191/GRIS.2015.IX:

To consider and approve the Consolidated Financial Statement of Accounts of the Institute for the year 2014-15 audited by the Statutory Auditors.

The GRI Society considered and approved the Consolidated Financial Statement of Accounts of the Institute for the year 2014-15 audited by the Statutory Auditors.

4. Item No.192/GRIS.2015.IX:

To consider and nominate a member to the GRI Society and to approve the change of membership in the GRI Society.

The GRI Society considered and resolved to nominate Dr. S. Seethalakshmi, Director In-charge, Gandhigram Institute of Rural Health and Family Welfare Trust (GIRH & FWT), Gandhigram, for a

period of three years with effect from the date of issue of orders or until she continues in the post. The GRI Society also approved the expiry of membership of Dr. A. Munawar Khan, the then Director of GIRH & FWT.

Further the GRI Society considered and approved the above change of membership in the GRI Society.

5. Item No.193/GRIS.2015.IX:

To consider and approve the Annual Reports of Gandhigram Rural Institute - Deemed University, Gandhigram for the year 2014 – 2015.

The GRI Society considered and resolved to approve the Annual Reports of Gandhigram Rural Institute – Deemed University, Gandhigram for the year 2014 -2015.

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Dr. S. NATARAJAN
VICE-CHANCELLOR

Dr. P. BALASUBRAMANIAM
REGISTRAR