Minutes of the Joint meeting of the Senate Library Committee held on 28.12.2020 at 3 PM (Online through Zoom link)

Members Present:

Dr. Tanmoy Mukhopadhyay (AE), Dr. Santosh Kumar Misra (BSBE), Dr. Balaji Devaraju (CE), Dr. Ganapathi Anantharaman (CHM), Dr. R. Gurunath (PIC Lib), Dr. Salil Goel (CE), Dr. Nitin Gupta (Cgs) f Dr. Mohua Banerjee (Cgs), Dr. Swarnendu Biswas (CSE), Dr.Ritwij Bhowmick (DP), Dr.Wasim Ahmad (ECO Sci) f Dr.Deep Mukherjee (ECO Sci), Dr. Deepak Dhingra (ES), Dr. A V R Sarma (HSS), Dr. Sameer L. Chavan (MATH), Dr. Subhra S Dhar (MATH), Dr. G. Santhanam (MATH), Dr. K Muralidhar (ME), Dr. Kallol Mondal (MSE), Dr. Sri Sivakumar (MSP), Dr. Arijit Kundu (PHY) and Mr. Kartik Gupta (180345).

Special Invitees: Dr. S.K. Vijaianand (Dy. Librarian), Mr. P.K. Behera (Asst. Librarian) and Dr. S.K.Pathy (Asst. Librarian).

The Chairman, SLC, welcomed all the members, and the following points were discussed.

1. Confirmation of minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the SLC meeting held on Sep. 14, 2020, were confirmed as circulated.

2. Handover/Takeover charge of SLC

The Chairman thanked all outgoing members, library officers, and the staff, for their support following which the new SLC took charge.

Professor in-charge (Library) briefed about past SLC activities and the functions. The recent developments in the library, like RFID implementation, changes in Circulation, and Acquisition unit I/C.

3. Update on E-books purchase

The current status of the recommended e-books from various departments and the accessibility through the library portal was discussed. The expenditure on e-books, pending issues with publishers, and the license agreement were also discussed. The SLC decided not to recommend a hard copy of the textbooks as far as possible till the end of this financial year.

4. Modalities for the subscription of journals for the year 2021

The priority list of journals received from various departments was discussed. The department that have not responded and wish to incorporate changes may send their list latest by Jan. 15, 2021, so that the final order can be placed by the end of Jan 2021. Meantime library shall request the publishers to extend the uninterrupted access till the order is placed.

5. Update on weeding out of books

Chairman, SLC updated the progress of weeding out of books and also intimated that a list of to be weeded out books would be circulated among DLCs for feedback.

6. Generalia committee

The library Generalia sub-committee for the year 2020-2021 was constituted with the following members:

Prof. G. Anantharaman (Chairman)

Prof. R. Gurunath, (PIC, Library) or his nominee

Prof. K Muralidhar (ME)

Prof. Santosh Kumar Misra (BSBE)

7. SLC nomination for the vendor selection committee

Prof. Kallol Mondal (MSE) is nominated as a member of the vendor selection committee 2020-21.

8. Any other item

A. Library orientation

An orientation session for the SLC members about various activities in P. K. Kelkar library was appraised. Chairman requested the new members to visit the library and sought feedback and suggestions, if any, for the development of the library. PIC (Lib) also briefed about the new development on the ground floor and floor wise shifting of library depts. The need for new furniture requirements was also discussed.

B. Library website

Members raised concerns about revamping the library website. This matter was discussed indepth, and the PIC(Lib) extended full support to work with the library team for the development. Prof. Dhingra was requested to coordinate this work with other SLC members and library staff ensure progress in the matter.

Members raised issues about the library email alerts and the overdue charges. PIC(Lib) clarified the raised issues.

The meeting ended with thanks to the chair.

(Prof. G. Anantharaman) Chairman, SLC (2019-2020 & 2020-2021)