

MINUTES OF THE 16TH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF SHRI LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI NATIONAL SANSKRIT UNIVERSITY, NEW DELHI, HELD ON 20.02.2026 AT 11.00 A.M (THROUGH OFF-LINE/ONLINE MODE) IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF THE VICE-CHANCELLORS' OFFICE

The following have attended the meeting:

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| 1. | Prof. Murlimanohar Pathak,
Vice-Chancellor,
Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri
National Sanskrit University,
New Delhi-110 016 | Chairperson |
| 2. | Joint Secretary (Languages),
Ministry of Education, Govt. of India,
Department of Higher Education,
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001. | Member
(attended by Sh. Varun
Bhardwaj, Director, NTA) |
| 3. | Prof. Nageshwar Rao,
Former Vice-Chancellor,
Indira Gandhi National Open University,
Maidan Garhi,
New Delhi-110 068 | Member |
| 4. | Prof. Surendra Dubey ,
Vice-Chairman,
Kendriya Hindi Sansthan,
D-26-A, Qutab Institutional Area,
Shaheed Jeet Singh Marg,
New Delhi-110016 | Member |
| 5. | Prof. Ram Prakash,
Professor (Retd),
H.No.67, Manas City Extension,
Indira Nagar,
Lucknow (UP)-226015 | Member |
| 6. | Prof. Prem Kumar Sharma,
Professor –Department of Jyotish,
Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri
National Sanskrit University,
New Delhi-110 016 | Member |
| 7. | Prof. Shitla Prasad Shukla,
Professor & Dean of School
of Studies –Puraan Vidya,
Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri
National Sanskrit University,
New Delhi-110 016 | Member |

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8. Prof. A.S.Aravamudan,
Professor & Dean of School of Darshan,
Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri
National Sanskrit University,
New Delhi-110 016
- Member
(meeting attended through online mode)
9. Dr. Manoj Kumar Meena,
Associate Professor (Physical Education),
Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri
National Sanskrit University,
New Delhi-110 016
- Member
10. Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma,
Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri
National Sanskrit University,
New Delhi-110016
- Secretary

All the members attended the meeting physically except the representative Sh. Varun Bhardwaj, Director, NTA, Ministry of Education and Prof. A. S. Aravamudan, Professor & Dean of School of Darshan who attended the meeting through online.

Prof. Shitla Prasad Shukla performed Manglacharan before commencement of the meeting of the Executive Council. At the outset, the Chairperson and Vice-Chancellor of the University extended a warm welcome to the all members, present in the meeting. He also introduced the newly appointed Registrar, Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma, Secretary of the Executive Council.

Thereafter, Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma, the Registrar of the University, presented the agenda items:-

Item No.16.1	To consider the minutes of the 15th meeting of the Executive Council held on 11.11.2025 for confirmation. The Executive Council while considering the minutes of 15 th meeting held on 11.11.2025 noted that the said minutes were duly circulated to the esteemed members of the Executive Council for consideration and/or for comments (if any). It was apprised to the Committee that no discrepancy has been pointed out by any of the member of the Executive Council, accordingly, the Executive Council <i>resolved to confirm the minutes of the 15th meeting, held on 11.11.2025.</i>
Item No.16.2	To consider the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 15th meeting of the Executive Council held on 11.11.2025. The Executive Council <i>noted the Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 15th meeting of the Executive Council, held on 11.11.2025.</i>
Item No. 16.3	To report the status of backlog vacancies of SLBSNSU, New Delhi. <i>The Executive Council noted the status of backlog positions of the University and also the action initiated by the University to fill the all vacant posts including backlog vacancy.</i>
Item No. 16.4.1	To consider the minutes of the 11th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 17.12.2025 for confirmation. The Executive Council considered the minutes of the 11 th meeting of the Finance Committee held on 17.12.2025 and <i>resolved to approve the minutes in toto.</i>

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<p>Item No. 16.4.2</p>	<p>To consider the clarification regarding conducting of interview for single eligible candidate against backlog reserved vacancies</p> <p>The Executive Council considered the Ministry letter vide F.No. 4-1/2026-Skt.I dated 19.01.2026 regarding clarification on conducting of interview for single eligible candidate against backlog reserved vacancies and communicated the following:</p> <p><i>The Ministry has submitted that decision can be taken by University itself in such kind of administrative matters based on the requisite approvals from their statutory body i.e Executive Council.</i></p> <p>The Executive Council noted the clarification received from the Ministry and resolved to approve the action initiated by the University for conducting of interview for single eligible candidate against backlog reserved vacancies.</p>																				
<p>Item No.16.4.3</p>	<p>To consider and approve the recommendations of the Selection Committees for teaching posts of the University.</p> <p>The Executive Council considered the recommendations of the Selection Committees in respect of the teaching posts as advertised vide Advt. No. 02/2025 under Clause-20(1) of the Statutes of the University. <i>The Executive Council resolved to approve the recommendations of the Selection Committees for following posts as per the details given below:-</i></p> <p><u>APPOINTMENT OF TEACHING STAFF UNDER DIRECT RECRUITMENT:-</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="327 986 1364 1417"> <thead> <tr> <th>S.No</th> <th>Name of the post(s)</th> <th>Date of meeting</th> <th>Name of selected candidates</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td> <td>Associate Professor in Vyakaran (01-UR)</td> <td>23.01.2026</td> <td>Dr. Ashok Kumar Mishra</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2.</td> <td>Associate Professor in Vyakaran (01-SC)</td> <td>23.01.2026</td> <td>Dr. Naresh Kumar Bairwa</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3.</td> <td>Associate Professor in Vyakaran (01-OBC)</td> <td>23.01.2026</td> <td>Dr. Archana Kumari</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.</td> <td>Assistant Professor in Jyotish (01-SC)</td> <td>28.01.2026</td> <td>Manorama Kumari</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>It was further resolved that if the selected candidates failed to accept the Offer of Appointment, the next candidate in panel be offered appointment as per the recommendations of the Selection Committees. The appointment on the above-mentioned teaching posts be made subject to acceptance of the terms and conditions to be laid down in the offer of appointment letters, as issued by the University Administration, followed by the verification of the certificates of educational qualifications, experience or testimonials and caste (wherever applicable) etc., which were submitted by the selected candidates in support to their eligibility.</p> <p>It is confirmed and further resolved that part minutes be issued immediately.</p> <p>The Executive Council considered the urgency of filling the teaching and non-teaching vacant posts (including backlog vacancies) as per the directives of the Ministry. The Council observed that it may not be feasible to convene a meeting of the Executive Council on each occasion immediately after the meetings of the Selection Committees.</p>	S.No	Name of the post(s)	Date of meeting	Name of selected candidates	1.	Associate Professor in Vyakaran (01-UR)	23.01.2026	Dr. Ashok Kumar Mishra	2.	Associate Professor in Vyakaran (01-SC)	23.01.2026	Dr. Naresh Kumar Bairwa	3.	Associate Professor in Vyakaran (01-OBC)	23.01.2026	Dr. Archana Kumari	4.	Assistant Professor in Jyotish (01-SC)	28.01.2026	Manorama Kumari
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	<p>Keeping in view of the urgency and administrative necessity, the Executive Council unanimously resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to open the sealed envelopes carrying the recommendations of the duly constituted Selection Committees and take further necessary action for appointment against teaching and non-teaching posts.</p> <p>It was further resolved that the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor be reported to the Executive Council in its subsequent meeting for ratification.</p>								
<p>Item No.16.4.4</p>	<p>To consider and approve the recommendation of the Selection Committee dated 29.01.2026 for the post of Librarian of the University.</p> <p>The Executive Council considered the recommendation of the Selection Committee dated 29.01.2026 for the post of Librarian as advertised vide Advt. No. 03/2025 of Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi. The Executive Council resolved to approve the recommendation of the Selection Committee as per the details given below:-</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="347 659 1289 796"> <thead> <tr> <th>S.No.</th> <th>Name of the post(s)</th> <th>Date of meeting</th> <th>Name of selected candidates</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1.</td> <td>Librarian</td> <td>29.01.2026</td> <td>Dr. Rajesh Kumar Pandey</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>It was further resolved that if the selected candidate failed to accept the Offer of Appointment, the next candidate in panel be offered appointment as per the recommendation of the Selection Committee. The appointment on the above-mentioned Librarian post be made subject to acceptance of the terms and conditions to be laid down in the offer of appointment letter, as issued by the University Administration, followed by the verification of the certificates of educational qualifications, experience or testimonials and caste (wherever applicable) etc., which were submitted by the selected candidates in support to their eligibility.</p> <p>It is confirmed and further resolved that part minutes be issued immediately.</p>	S.No.	Name of the post(s)	Date of meeting	Name of selected candidates	1.	Librarian	29.01.2026	Dr. Rajesh Kumar Pandey
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<p>Item No. 16.4.5</p>	<p>To consider and approve the recommendations of the Selection Committees related to promotion of teaching staff from Professor (Academic Pay Level- 14 to Senior Professor- Pay Level-15) and Assistant Professor (Academic Pay Level-12) to Associate Professor (Academic Pay Level-13-A) under Career Advancement Scheme of the UGC.</p> <p>1. The Executive Council considered the recommendation of the Selection Committee related to promotion of Prof. Prem Kumar Sharma, Professor from Professor (Academic Pay Level- 14) to Senior Professor (Academic Pay Level-15) under Career Advancement Scheme of the UGC. The Executive Council noted that the Screening Committee (IQAC) at its meeting held on 06.01.2026 has examined the case in the light of the UGC Regulation, 2018 and recommended for further review from three eminent subject experts. Thereafter, the Committee comprising the three eminent subject experts at its meeting held on 27.01.2026 reviewed the case in the light of the provisions of UGC Regulation, 2018 and recommended for an interaction with properly constituted Selection Committee. The Selection Committee was held on 28.01.2026 and after interaction with candidate it recommended his promotion as Senior Professor in Academic Pay Level-15 under CAS of the UGC.</p> <p>2. The Executive Council considered the recommendation of the Selection Committee related to promotion of Dr. Deshbandhu, Assistant Professor from Assistant Professor (Academic Pay Level-12) to Associate Professor (Academic Pay Level-13-A) under Career Advancement Scheme of the UGC. The Executive Council noted that the Screening Committee (IQAC) at its meeting held on 16.01.2026 examined the case in the light of the UGC Regulation, 2018 and found him eligible for promotion as Associate</p>								

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Professor. Subsequently, meeting of the Selection Committee was held on 28.01.2026 and after interview it recommended his promotion as Associate Professor in Academic Pay Level-13A under CAS of the UGC.

Thereafter, the Executive Council resolved to approve the recommendations of the Selection Committees, as these are in consonance with the UGC Regulations, as per the details given below:-

S.N	Department/Subject	Date of meeting	Name of the teacher and effective date of promotion as Senior Professor in the Academic Pay Level-15
1.	Recommendations of the Selection Committee for the department of Jyotish	28.01.2026	Prof. Prem Kumar Sharma- 18.07.2018

S.N	Department/Subject	Date of meeting	Name of the teacher and effective date of promotion as Associate Professor in the Academic Pay Level-13A
2.	Recommendations of the Selection Committee for the department of Vastu-Shastra	28.01.2026	Dr. Deshbandhu- 21.01.2025

It is confirmed and further resolved that part minutes be issued immediately.

Item No.
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To consider and approve the recommendations of the Expert Committee dated 10.02.2026 along with the revised Ordinance No. 16 on Cadre Recruitment Rules for the Non-Teaching Posts, 2025 and Ordinance No. 43 relating to Medical Attendance Rules of the University.

The Executive Council considered the recommendations of the Expert Committee dated 10.02.2026 along with the revised Ordinance No. 16 on Cadre Recruitment Rules for the Non-Teaching Posts, 2025 and Ordinance No. 43 relating to Medical Attendance Rules of the University. The Executive Council also noted the observations on the CRRs-2025 were received from the Ministry of Education through Samarth Portal on 02.01.2026.

The executive council resolved to approve the recommendation of the Expert Committee dated 10.02.2026 alongwith the revised Ordinance No. 16 & Ordinance No. 43. These ordinances be forwarded to the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, for necessary action at their end.

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<p>Item No. 16.4.7</p>	<p>Establishment of Distance Education Cell and engagement of human resources on contract basis in the University.</p> <p>The Executive Council considered the proposal for establishment of a separate Distance Education Cell for offering various academic programmes through the distance mode. The Executive Council noted that the University, being accredited with NAAC "A++" Grade, is eligible to offer academic programmes through the distance mode.</p> <p>During the meeting, Clause 2(k) and Clause 6(1)(v) of the Central Sanskrit Universities Act, 2020 were read out before the Executive Council and taken on record. The provisions are reproduced below for reference:</p> <p>Clause 2(k):</p> <p><i>"Distance Education System" means the system of imparting education through any means of communication, such as broadcasting, telecasting, internet, correspondence course, seminar, contact programme, non-formal pattern or a combination of any two or more such means, except the regular system of education.</i></p> <p>Clause 6(1)(v):</p> <p><i>To provide facilities of teaching and learning through the distance education system or online mode, as it may determine.</i></p> <p>After detailed deliberation, the Executive Council resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approve the establishment of a separate Distance Education Cell in the University for offering academic programmes through the distance education system/online mode. 2. Approve engagement of human resources equivalent to two positions of Assistant Professor on contract basis by utilizing the salary savings/adjustments arising from the lien vacant post of Associate Professor (Level-13), subject to applicable rules and procedures.
<p>Item No. 16.4.8</p>	<p>To consider and accord In-Principle / Principal Approval for introduction and offering of Academic Programmes under Open & Distance Learning (ODL) Mode and Online Mode in the University.</p> <p>The Executive Council considered the provisions of the Central Sanskrit Universities Act, 2020, particularly Clause 2(k) defining the <i>Distance Education System</i> and Clause 6(1)(v) empowering the University to introduce and conduct academic programmes through distance education and online mode, thereby enabling the University to offer programmes under ODL and Online systems.</p> <p>The Council noted that the University, having secured NAAC A++ Accreditation and recognized under UGC Category-I status, fulfills the eligibility conditions prescribed under the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020, for offering academic programmes through ODL and Online modes.</p> <p>It was further noted that the proposal relates to commencement of Academic Programmes through ODL and Online Mode for the first time in the University in accordance with UGC-DEB guidelines, initially comprising:</p>

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- Three (03) Undergraduate Programmes, and
- Ten (10) Postgraduate Programmes

The Council also noted that commencement of such programmes shall be subject to obtaining necessary recognition/entitlement from UGC-DEB.

The University shall ensure compliance with all regulatory requirements under UGC ODL & Online Regulations, including establishment of Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA), development of Self-Learning Material (SLM) and e-Content, creation of Learning Management System (LMS) infrastructure, and provision of Learner Support, Examination and Evaluation mechanisms.


It was further resolved that consequent upon establishment of CIQA, the Directorate of Distance Education / ODL & Online Education shall function under a Director to be appointed through internal arrangement from amongst eligible Professors/Officers of the University, till creation and regular filling of the post as per University Statutes/Ordinances.


After detailed deliberations, the Executive Council unanimously resolved to accord In-Principle Approval for commencement of Academic Programmes under Open & Distance Learning (ODL) and Online Mode, in accordance with the Central Sanskrit Universities Act, 2020 and UGC (ODL & Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and amendments issued from time to time.

The Council further authorized that:

1. Vice-Chancellor, after approval of the Academic Council, may approve programme-wise DPRs, nomenclature, intake capacity, curriculum structure and implementation modalities.
2. The Vice-Chancellor is authorized to:
 - Submit applications to UGC-DEB for recognition/entitlement;
 - Constitute CIQA and other required statutory bodies;
 - Approve SLM development, LMS procurement and learner support systems;
 - Take necessary academic, administrative and financial decisions for operationalization.
3. The Academic Section / Directorate of ODL & Online Education shall function as the Nodal Unit for coordination, compliance, monitoring and reporting to statutory authorities.
4. Expenditure involved shall be met from University funds and/or ODL Programme revenues, as per prescribed norms.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.


(Pawan Kumar Sharma)
Registrar & Secretary


(Murlimanohar Pathak)
Vice-Chancellor & Chairman