Central University of Himachal Pradesh

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Section 4(1)(b)(i)

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<u>Genesis</u>

The Prime Minister, in his address to the nation on August 15, 2007, announced the establishment of a Central University in each of the states that did not have a central university so far. Subsequently, 11th Plan provided for the establishment of 16 new Central Universities. Accordingly, the Central Universities Act 2009 (No. 25 of 2009) which received Presidential assent on 20th March 2009 provided for the establishment of Central University of Himachal Pradesh amongst others.

Establishment

The Central University of Himachal Pradesh is established under the Central Universities Act 2009 (No. 25 of 2009) enacted by the Parliament. The University is funded and regulated by the University Grants Commission (UGC). The University became functional with the assumption of charge by the first Vice Chancellor on 20th January 2010.

Objectives of University

The objectives of the University shall be to disseminate and advance knowledge by providing instructional and research facilities in such branches of learning as it may deem fit; to make special provisions for integrated courses in humanities, social sciences, science and technology in its educational programmes; to take appropriate measures for promoting innovations in teaching- learning process and inter-disciplinary studies and research; to educate and train manpower for the development of the country; to establish linkages with industries for the promotion of science and technology; and to pay special attention to the improvement of the social and economic conditions and welfare of the people, their intellectual, academic and cultural development.

Powers of the University

- (1) The University shall have the following powers, namely:-
 - (i) To provide for instructions in such branches of learning like natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, engineering, technology and medicine as the University may, from time to time, determine and to make provision for research and for advancement and dissemination of knowledge;
 - (ii) To grant, subject to such conditions as the University may determine, diplomas or certificates to, and confer degrees or other academic distinctions on, persons, on the basis of examination, evaluation or any other method of testing, and to withdraw any such diplomas, certificates, degrees or other academic distinction for good and sufficient cause;
 - (iii) To organize and to undertake extramural studies, training and extension services;
 - (iv) To confer honorary degree or other distinctions in the manner prescribed by the Statutes:
 - (v) To provide facilities through the distance education system to such persons as it may determine;
 - (vi) To institute Principal ships, Professorships, Associate Professorships, Assistant Professorships and other teaching or academic positions, required by the University and to appoint persons such Principal ships, Professorship, Associate Professorship, Assistant Professorships or other teaching or academic positions;
 - (vii) To recognize an institution of higher learning for such purposes as the University may determine and to withdraw such recognition;
 - (viii) To appoint persons working in any other University or academic institution, including those located outside the Country, as teachers of the University for a Specified Period;
 - (ix) To create administrative, ministerial and other posts and to make appointments thereto;
 - (x) To co-operate or collaborate or associate with any other University or authority or institution of higher learning, including those located outside the Country, in such manner and for such purposes as the University may determine;

- (xi) To establish such centre and specialized laboratories or other units for research and instruction as are, in the opinion of the University, necessary for the furtherance of its objects;
- (xii) To institute and award fellowships, scholarship, studentships, medals and prizes;
- (xiii) To establish and maintain Colleges, Institutions and Halls;
- (xiv) To make provision for research and advisory services and for that purpose to enter into such arrangements with other institutions, industrial or other organizations, as the University may deem necessary:
- (xv) To organise and conduct refresher courses, workshops, seminars and other programmes for teachers, evaluators and other academic staff;
- (xvi) To appoint on contract or otherwise visiting Professors, Emeritus Professors, Consultants and such other persons who may contribute to the advancement of the objects of the University;
- (xvii) To confer autonomous status on a College or an Institution or a Department, as the case may be, in accordance with the Statutes:
- (xviii) To determine standards of admission to the University, this may include examination, evaluation or any other method of testing;
- (xix) To demand and receive payment of fees and other charges;
- (xx) To supervise the residences of the students of the University and to make arrangements for promoting their health and general welfare;
- (xxi) To lay down conditions of service of all categories of employees, including their code of conduct;
- (xxii) To regulate and enforce discipline among the students and the employees, and to take such disciplinary measured in this regard as may be deemed by the University to be necessary;
- (xxiii) To make arrangements for promoting the health and general welfare of the employees;
- (xxiv) To receive benefactions, donations and gifts and to acquire, hold and manage, and to dispose of, with the previous approval of the central Government, any property, movable or immovable, including trust and endowment properties, for the purposes of the University;
- (xxv) To borrow, with the previous approval of the Central Government, on the security of the property of the University, money for the purposes of the University; and
- (xxvi) To do all such other acts and things as may be necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of all or any of its objects.
- (2) Exercising its powers referred to in sub-section (1), it shall be the Endeavour of the University to maintain an all-India character and high standards of teaching and research, and the University shall, among other measures which may be necessary for the said purpose, take, in particular, the following measures, namely:-
 - (i) Admission of students and recruitment of faculty shall be made on all-India basis;
 - (ii) Admissions of students shall be made on merit, either through common entrance tests conducted individually by the University or in combination with other Universities, or on the basis of marks obtained in the qualifying examination in such courses where the intake of students is small;

- (iii) Inter-University mobility of faculty, with portable pensions and protection of seniority, shall be encouraged;
- (iv) Semester system, continuous evaluation and choice- based credit system shall be introduced and the University shall enter into agreements with other Universities and academic institutions for credit transfer and joint degree programmers;
- (v) Innovative courses and programmers of studies shall be introduced with a provision for periodic review and restructuring;
- (vi) Active participation of students shall be ensured in all academic activities of the University, including evaluation of teachers:
- (vii) Accreditation shall be obtained from the National Assessment and Accreditation Council or any other accrediting agency at the national level; and
- (viii) E-governance shall be introduced with an effective management information system.

Territorial Jurisdiction

Territorial Jurisdiction of the University, as per the Central Universities Act 2009, extends to the whole state of Himachal Pradesh.

Vision & Mission of the University

The Central University of Himachal Pradesh strives for Inclusive Access to Excellence in Higher Education and Research to emerge as Premier University of the Country at par with the best Universities of the World in terms of Programme Offerings, Curricular Framework, Pedagogy, Research, Publications and Integration with the World of Work.

While development of own infrastructure of the University may take a while, the University has an ambitious Vision Document evolved in consultation with eminent experts in the field of education. The Vision Document and Strategic Plan of the University as approved by the statutory authorities of the University are available at the website of the University (www.cuhimachal.ac.in). Accordingly, in due course of time, the University will grow to have purpose built, state of the art 150 acre campus in Dharamshala and 900 acre campus in Dehra and will have 17 Schools of Studies with nearly 90 Departments of Studies and about 50 Centres of Studies.

The following are the authorities of the University, namely:-

- 1. The Court;
- 2. The Executive Council;
- 3. The Academic Council;
- 4. The Board of Studies;
- 5. The Finance Committee
- 6. Planning and Monitoring Board;
- 7. School Board: and
- 8. Such other authorities as may be declared by the Statutes to be the authorities of the University

The following are the Officers of the University, namely:-

- 1. The Chancellor;
- 2. The Vice- Chancellor;
- 3. The Pro-Vice- Chancellor;
- 4. The Deans of Schools;
- 5. The Registrar;
- 6. The Finance officer;
- 7. The Controller of Examination;
- 8. The Librarian; and
- 9. Such other officers as may be declared by the Statutes to be the office of the University.

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POWERS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

All the statutory officers perform their duties and exercise powers in accordance to the Statutes and Ordinances of the University in general with regard to duties and responsibilities common in nature.

SL.NO.	NAME OF POST	POWERS AND DUTIES
1	Vice-Chancellor	The power and function of the Vice-Chancellor are specified in the Statute 03 of the University and the University Ordinance 08.
2	Pro Vice-Chancellor	The power and function of the Pro Vice-Chancellor are specified in the Statute 04 of the University and the University Ordinance 09.
3	Registrar	The power and function of the Registrar are specified in the Statute 06 of the University and the University Ordinance 10.
4	Finance Officer	The power and function of the Finance Officer are specified in the Statute 07 of the University and the University Ordinance 11.
5	Controller of Examinations	The power and function of the Controller of Examinations are specified in the Statute 08 of the University and the University Ordinance 12.
6	Librarian	The power and function of the Librarian are specified in the Statute 09 of the University and the University Ordinance 13.
7	Head of Department	The power and function of the Head of Department of Studies are specified in the University Ordinance 05.
8	Deans of Schools	The power and function of the Deans of Schools are specified in the Statute 05 of the University and the University Ordinance 03.
9	Dean, Students' Welfare (DSW)	The power and function of the Dean, Students' Welfare (DSW) are specified in the University Ordinance 07.
10	Proctor	The power and function of the Proctor are specified in the University Ordinance 18.

The staffs deployed under various officers perform their duties as per the instruction/ direction of the officer of the respective section/ department.