



Doon University, Dehradun

Office of the Registrar

Minutes of the 40th Meeting of the Executive Council

(Revised)

40th meeting of the Executive Council of Doon University was held on 31st August 2026 in the University. Vice Chancellor, Prof. Surekha Dangwal presided over the meeting. Following members attended the meeting:

1. Shri Shatrughna Singh, Former Chief Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand (online)
2. Prof. H. C. Pokhriyal, Former Executive Director School of Open Learning Delhi University
3. Prof. J. P. Pachauri, Former Head & Dean School of Social Sciences, HNB Garhwal University
4. Shri Manuj Goyal, Additional Secretary, Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of Uttarakhand (online)
5. Shri Praveen Kumar Badoni, (representative of Secretary Finance Govt. of Uttarakhand)
6. Shri Durgesh Dimri, Registrar & Secretary Executive Council, Doon University Dehradun.

Shri Shatrughna Singh, former Chief Secretary, Govt. of Uttarakhand and Shri Manuj Goyal, Additional Secretary, Dept. of Higher Education joined the meeting online.

At the outset, Prof. Surekha Dangwal, Vice Chancellor and Chairperson, extended a warm welcome to the members of the Executive Council. Thereafter, the Action Taken Report on the resolutions of the 39th meeting of the Executive Council was presented, and the agenda items were taken up one by one for discussion.

Item 2026:40:02 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 39th Meeting of the Executive Council held on 10th November 2025.

As no comments and observations were received from Hon'ble members, the Executive Council confirmed the minutes of 39th meeting of Executive Council.

Item 2026:40:03 Review of action taken on the resolutions of 39th Meeting of the Executive Council.

The Executive Council reviewed the action taken report on the resolutions of 39th meeting of the E.C.

On Item 2025:39:15 as resolved earlier by the EC that considering the continued requirement for resource persons and experts, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor may form a committee to frame a Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) for their engagement, covering aspects such as justification of requirement, remuneration, and the number of resource persons to be engaged, surplus workload etc.

The SoP, prepared by a committee constituted by the Vice Chancellor, was placed before the Executive Council for its consideration. The E.C., having gone through the SoP, approved it.

Item 2026:40:04

To consider and approve recommendations of selection Committees for selection of candidates against various faculty positions in Departments of Geography, Urban Development Management, Hindu Studies and Dept. of Biological Sciences.

It was informed that after approval of the Executive Council in its last meeting, the University published the advertisements for recruitment against vacant positions in March 2026. Subsequently, meetings of the respective Selection Committees were held for the selection of candidates in the Departments of Geography, Urban Development Management, Hindu Studies, and Biological Sciences.

The sealed envelopes containing recommendations of the respective Selection Committees, were opened and placed before the Executive Council for its consideration and approval. Details of the recommendations of the respective Selection Committees are as follow:

Department	Name	Post	Category
Geography	Dr. Bhupendra Singh Bisht (Selected)	Professor	UR
Hindu Studies	Dr. Bharat Kumar (Selected)	Assoc. Professor	UR
	Mr. Jiwan Joshi (Selected)	Assis. Professor	UR
	Shivdev Arya (waiting list-01)		
	None of the candidates were found suitable (NFS)	Assis. Professor	ST
Urban Development Management	Dr. Doreshor Khwairakpam (Selected)	Assoc. Professor	UR
	Dr. Roohi Rawat (Selected)	Assis. Professor	UR
	Dr. Tanua Shukla (waiting list-01)		
	Shruti Jain (waiting list-02)		
	Dr. Devendra Singh Parihar (Selected)	Assis. Professor	OBC
	None of the candidates were found suitable (NFS)	Professor	UR
School of Biological Science	Dr. Charu Thapliyal (Selected)	Assis. Professor	UR
	Dr. Sudhanshu Mishra (waiting list-01)		
	Dr. Vikash (Selected)	Assis. Professor	SC
	Dr. Anjali Patil (waiting list-01)		
	Dr. Satish Chandra (waiting list-02)		
	Dr. Gopal Singh (Selected)	Assis. Professor	OBC
	Dr. Shivani Rohilla (waiting list-01)		
	Dr. Vivekanand Bahuguna (Selected)	Assis. Professor	EWS
	Dr. Namita Khnatwal (waiting list-01)		

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The Executive Council considered the recommendations of the Selection Committees and approved all the recommendations as detailed above.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor informed the Executive Council that the interviews for the posts of Professor in Hindu Studies and Associate Professor in Biological Sciences could not be conducted due to the receipt of an insufficient number of applications. The Executive Council resolved that the advertisement for these posts be published afresh.

Item 2026:40:05

To apprise the Executive Council about the recommendations of Selection committees for Promotion under Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) in various Schools/ departments.

The members were apprised about the meetings of the Committees held in the month of February April and July 2026 for promotion to the post of Professor and next level of Assistant Professor under Career Advancement Scheme (CAS). The Executive Council took note of the same and approved the recommendations of the selection Committees as under:

S.N.	Name of Faculty member	School/ Dept.	Pay Level		Date of Eligibility
			From	To	
1	Dr. Narendra Kumar Associate Professor	Computer Science	Level 13 A	Level 14	18-05-2024
2	Dr. Anuj Kumar Assistant Professor	Computer Science	Level 10	Level 11	17-05-2025
3	Dr. Preeti Mishra Assistant Professor	Computer Science	Level 10	Level 11	17-05-2025
4	Dr. Chetna Pokhariyal Associate Professor	English	Level 13 A	Level 14	01-11-2021
5	Dr. Richa Joshi Pandey Assistant Professor	English	Level 11	Level 12	03-11-2023
6	Dr. Suneet Naithani Associate Professor	SENR	Level 13 A	Level 14	10-07-2024
7	Dr. Ujjwal Kumar Assistant Professor	SENR	Level 11	Level 12	29-04-2024
8	Dr. Pallavi Upreti Assistant Professor	Geography	Level 10	Level 11	16-02-2025

Item 2026:40:06

To authorize the Vice Chancellor to open the envelopes containing the recommendations of various interview committees to be held in future.

It was informed that in the University interviews are going on for recruitment to various teaching positions against the vacant posts. The respective Interview Committees would submit their recommendations to the University in sealed envelopes upon completion of the interview process.

In order to ensure the smooth and uninterrupted conduct of teaching, research, and other academic activities, as well as the timely processing of the recommendations, the Executive Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to open the sealed envelopes containing the recommendations of the respective Interview

Committees upon completion of the interview process. The matter shall be placed before the Executive Council in its next immediate meeting.

Item 2026:40:07**To consider the recommendations of the committee constituted for revision of honorarium/remuneration (Sitting fee) for various Committees members.**

As per resolution made in 39th meeting, a committee was constituted for revision of honorarium/remuneration (Sitting fee) for various Committees members. The report/recommendations of the committee was placed for consideration of the EC. The Committee has recommended the honorarium/remuneration (Sitting fee) as per the following details:

Nature of Duty	Recommended honorarium/remuneration (Sitting fee)
Meeting Participation (Executive Council, Finance Committee, Court Meeting, Academic Council, Selection Committee)	Rs. 5000/- per meeting
Screening Committee	Rs. 5000/- per day irrespective of number of meeting
Ph.D. Thesis Evaluation/Viva voce/Special Lecture/ Special Workshop/External Expert of Academic Advisory Committees (AAC) External Experts on Jury	Rs. 3000/- per day irrespective of the number of lectures/ Ph.D. Thesis Evaluation/Viva voce
Evaluation of Project /Dissertation	Rs. 3000/- per Day
Committee constituted for special purpose	Rs. 4000/- per Day

The E.C. considered and approved the recommendations of the committee as above.

Item 2026:40:08**To apprise about the technical report on the utility of Vehicle No. UK-07-GA-2428 being used by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, provided by the RTO Dehradun Region.**

The Executive Council was apprised of the condition of the vehicle presently being used by the Vice-Chancellor, along with the technical report regarding its utility and roadworthiness submitted by RTO, Dehradun. The Executive Council took note of the matter and directed the University to procure a new vehicle at the earliest, keeping in view the poor technical condition of the existing vehicle.

Item 2026:40:09**To report of engagement/re-engagement of Guest faculty and Resource persons for the academic year 2026-27 in various Schools/ Departments.**

The E.C. considered the agenda item and approved engagement / re-engagement of the guest faculty members and resource persons for the session 2026-27.

The EC authorized the University administration to consider the justification provided by the different departments for inviting Resource Persons for the lectures and issuing permissions/approvals for the same in the interest of the students and to achieve the objectives of NEP 2020 for the session 2026-27.

Item 2026:40:10 To consider and approve engaging Adjunct Professor in Dept. of Geology, Doon University.

The E.C. considered the agenda and approved to engage Dr. R. S. Chattarjee as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Geology. As offered by the Dr. R. S. Chattarjee, he will be provided with the local travel support on arriving the University alongwith free accommodation and meals at the University Guest House during his visits.

Item 2026:40:11 To consider and approve Confirmation of Dr. Maheep Singh to the post of Assistant Professor, Dept. of Computer Science.

The E.C. considered and approved confirmation of Dr. Maheep Singh to the post of Assistant Professor, Computer Science after completion of his probation period.

Item 2026:40:12 To consider and approve resolutions made by the Finance Committee in its meetings held on 8th April 2026 and 12th June 2026.

The E.C. having considered, approved the minutes of the 27th and 28th meeting of the Finance Committee of the University, held on 6th April 2026 and 12th June 2026 respectively.

Item 2026:40:13 To approve Minutes of 38th, 39th & 40th meetings of the Academic Council.

The Executive Council considered and approved the minutes of the 38th, 39th and 40th meetings of the Academic Council of Doon University held on 26th December 2025, 27th April 2026 and 27th July 2026, respectively.

During the discussion on the agenda item, the members of the Executive Council emphasized that the University should convene at least three meetings of the Executive Council in a year so that pending academic, financial and other important matters could be considered and approved expeditiously, particularly after the meetings of the Finance Committee and the Academic Council. If conducting the meeting in physical mode is not feasible, the University may hold the meeting in online mode.

Item 2026:40:14 To consider and approve re-engagement of Prof. C. Krishnamurthy as Visiting Faculty in the Dept. of French and Francophone Studies, SoL for the year 2026-27

The Executive Council considered and approve the re-engagement of Prof. C. Krishnamurthy as Visiting Faculty in the Department of French for the Academic Session 2026–27, along with the provision of free accommodation and meals at the University Guest House during his visits.

Item 2026:40:15 To consider the recommendation of the selection committee and approved the engagement of Professors of Practice (on Honorary Basis) in the University

E.C. considered the agenda and also took the cognizance of the provisions of UGC guidelines according to which a formal academic qualification is not considered essential for the position of Professor of Practice if they have exemplary professional practice in lieu. The UGC guidelines also provide that the experts are exempted from the requirement of publications and other eligibility criteria

stipulated for the recruitment of faculty members at the Professor level. The engagement of Professor of Practice will be exclusive of the sanctioned posts of the University. It will not affect the number of sanctioned posts and the recruitment of regular faculty members. Professor of Practice is not open for those in teaching profession serving or retired. EC noted that UGC guidelines have provision for three categories under which Professor of Practice can be engaged.

The Executive Council approved the appointment/ engagement of following Industry Experts as Professor of Practice on Honorary basis:

1. **Dr. Pratyush Kumar**, Founder & CEO, Sarvam AI, Bengaluru
(Company Valuation \$1.5 billion June 2026) Domain: Artificial Intelligence
2. **Mr. Deepak Bansal**, Senior Program & Data Delivery Manager, The Collinson Group, (Domain: Information Technology and Data Science)
3. **Dr. R. Gopi Chandran**, Former Director, R&D, Applied Materials
Domain: Semiconductors
4. **Mr. Preet Yadav**, Head, India Innovation Ecosystem, NXP Semiconductors
(a Dutch Semiconductor Manufacturing MNC) Domain: Semiconductors
5. **Mr. Kapil Malhotra**, Global Business Unit Head- Fluoropolymers, Gujarat Fluorochemicals Limited (GFL) Domain: Polymers, Applied Chemicals and Management
6. **Mr. Sanjay Sharma**, Chemical Industry Thought Leader and Consultant
Domain: Chemical Industry and Management
7. **Mr. Suresh Ramachandran**, Country Head, Arkema India
(A French Multinational Chemical Company) Domain: Chemical Industry and Management

Item 2026:40:16

To consider and approve the proposal of shifting Dr. Achlesh Daverey, Associate Professor from the School of Environmental Science (SENR) to the School of Biological Science (SoBS).

The Executive Council discussed the agenda item and was of the view that Dr. Achlesh Daverey should not be shifted from his parent department to another department. However, he may continue to discharge the responsibilities of Coordinator, School of Biological Sciences (SoBS), in order to provide appropriate academic leadership and guidance to the newly appointed faculty members.

The Head, School of Environment and Natural Resources, may be requested to suitably reduce the workload of Dr. Achlesh Daverey in his parent department so that he can devote adequate time and attention to the School of Biological Sciences.

Item 2026:40:17

To consider and approve appointment/re-appointment of Dean of Various Schools.

The Executive Council considered and approved the appointment/re-appointment of the Deans of various Schools as per the details given below:



S. N.	Name of the School	Name of the person to be appointed as Dean	Remark
1.	School of Management	Prof. Gajendra Singh	New appointment
2.	School of Media & Communication Studies	Prof. Rajesh Kumar	Re-appointment
3.	School of Environment & Natural Resources	Dr. Suneet Naithani	New appointment
4.	School of Social Sciences	Prof. R. P. Mangain	Re-appointment
5.	School of Languages	Prof. Chetna Pokhariyal	New appointment
6.	School of Technology	Prof. Narendra Kumar	New appointment

The appointment/re-appointment shall take effect from the date immediately following the completion of the tenure of the respective existing Deans.

Item 2022:40:18

To consider the matter regarding staffing pattern of ministerial cadre posts in the University.

The E.C. discussed the agenda. It was informed that at present the ministerial cadre posts in the University are not filled by regular staff, except for one post. However, in compliance with the Uttarakhand Government order, the persons who had been working against all the ministerial posts in the University through UPNL have been granted the benefit of "Equal Pay for Equal Work" through direct departmental contracts. Thus, all the ministerial positions are occupied.

The Additional Secretary informed that a committee has been constituted at the Government level to look into the matter of staffing pattern. It was further informed that a comprehensive proposal covering all aspects of the matter will be submitted to the Government for further directions.

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


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Copy: All the members for information, observation and comments.


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