



**MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY, KERALA**

**Abstract**

International Centre for Polar Studies (ICPS)-Established - Various committees and administrative set up constituted -orders issued.

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**ADMINISTRATION A 7 SECTION**

No. 2683/AD A 7/2021/MGU

Priyadarsini Hills, Dated: 15.06.2021

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*Read:-*1. Budget of the University for the year 2021-22.

2. E-mail dated 11.06.2021 from Pro- vice chancellor to Hon Vice Chancellor

**ORDER**

The Budget 2021-22 of the University proposed setting up of an International Centre for Polar Studies (ICPS), a polar co-operation centre of both science and social sciences. This centre is proposed to function with the support of National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research (NCPOR), Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India. ICPS is intended to support a multi-level sustainable approach of attaining environmentally and socially responsible development. The centre also envisages to act as a consultant in geopolitical policies and human ecological aspects for the Government of India

The Pro Vice Chancellor vide paper read (2) above, had proposed constitution of a General advisory Committee, Academic advisory Committee, Executive Committee and the Centre Administration set up for the centre .

Considering the above sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to establish the 'International Centre for Polar studies in the University, and to constitute a General advisory Committee, Academic Advisory Committee, Executive Committee and the Centre Administration set up for the centre as detailed below.

**International Centre for Polar Studies (ICPS)**

(A joint MGU-NCPOR Centre)

**General Advisory Committee**

1. Vice-Chancellor (Chairman)
2. Pro Vice-Chancellor
3. Convener, Syndicate Sub committee on Staff
4. Convener, Syndicate Sub committee on Research and Development
5. Faculty-Dean, Member Syndicate (Prof. M.H. Ilias)
6. Registrar
7. Finance Officer
8. Director, Planning and Development Advisory Committee
9. Director, School of Environmental Sciences
10. Director, School of International Relations and Politics
11. Director, International Centre for Polar Studies (ICPS) (Convener)

### **Academic Advisory Committee**

1. Vice-Chancellor (Chairman)
2. Pro Vice-Chancellor
3. Dean, Faculty of Environmental and Atmospheric Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University
4. Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University
5. Dr. M. Ravichandran, Director, National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research (NCPOR), Goa
6. Prof.K.M. Seethi, Director, Inter University Centre for Social Science Research and Research (IUCSSRE), Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam
7. Prof. Roland, Kallenborn, Norwegian University of Life Sciences, Oslo, Norway & Adjunct Professor in Arctic Technology, University Centre in Svalbard
8. Prof. Ranjan Datta, Department of Humanities, Mount Royal University, Canada
9. Dr. Rahul Mohan, Scientist, Antarctic Science, National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research, Goa
10. Prof. Maarten Loonen, Polar research, University of Groningen, The Netherlands
11. Dr. Thamban Meloth, Scientist, Polar Sciences, National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research, Goa
12. Dr. V.P. Syllas, School of environmental Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam
13. Dr. Olga Makarieva, Scientist, Melanikov Permafrost Institute, Siberian Branch, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia
14. Prof. Cecilie Vindal Odegaard, Department of Social Anthropology, University of Bergen, Norway
15. Dr. K.R. Baiju, School of environmental Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam
16. Prof. Murat V. Ardelan, Faculty of Natural Sciences, Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Trondheim, Norway

### **Executive Committee**

1. Vice-Chancellor (Chairman)
2. Prof. M.H. Ilias, Dean and Member Syndicate, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam
3. Dr. K.P. Krishnan, Scientist, Arctic Operations, National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research, Goa (External Expert)
4. Dr Sabu Abduhameed, Professor, Department of Biotechnology and Microbiology, School of Life Sciences, Kannur University (External Expert)
5. Prof. K. Jayachandran, Director, School of Biosciences, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam
6. Director, International Centre for Polar Studies (Convener)

### **Centre Administration**

**Hon. Director:** Prof. C.T. Aravindakumar, Professor, School of Environmental Sciences & Pro Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi University

**Joint Directors:** (1) Dr. Mathew A. Varghese, School of International Relations and Politics, Mahatma Gandhi University

(2) Dr. Mahesh Mohan, School of Environmental Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University

**Science Coordinator:** Prof. E.V. Ramasamy, School of Environmental Sciences, Mahatma Gandhi University

**Social Science Coordinator:** Dr. Lirar Pulikkalath, School of International Relations and Politics, Mahatma Gandhi University

School of Environmental Sciences, School of International Relations and Politics, Inter University Centre for Social Science Research and Extension shall be the co ordinating Schools/ Centre.

Expenditure in this regard shall be met from the Head of Account '21 10 199 (i) International Centre for Polar Studies' provided for in the Budget 2021-22 of the University.

Orders are issued accordingly.

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ASSISTANT REGISTRAR V (ADMIN)  
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4. Director, School of International Relations and Politics
5. Director. Inter University Centre for Social Science Research and Extension
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