



MAA MANIKESHWARI UNIVERSITY
ମା ମାଣିକେଶ୍ଵରୀ ବିଶ୍ଵବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟ
माँ माणिकेश्वरी विश्वविद्यालय
(Erstwhile : Kalahandi University)
Manikya Vihar, Bhawanipatna, Kalahandi, Odisha

E-mail- registrar@kalahandiuniversity.ac.in

No. 3395/MMU

Date: 08/09/2026

NOTIFICATION

In pursuant to Section 9(1) of the Odisha Universities (Amendment) Act, 2024 and chapter IX of the Odisha University First Statute, 1990. The Senate of Maa Manikeshwari University, Bhawanipatna is hereby constituted with the following members under the Chairmanship of the Vice- Chancellor.

Sl. No	Section & Sub-Section	Ex-Officio Members/Other Members	Members	Name & Designation
1.	9(1) (a)	Ex-Officio Members	Vice-Chancellor of the concerned University	Prof. Pawan kumar Agrawal, Vice Chancellor, Maa Manikeshwari University
2.	9(1) (b)	Ex-Officio Members	Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department	Shri Aravind Agrawal, IAS
3.	9(1) (c)	Ex-Officio Members	Representative of the Government, to the Syndicate, not below the rank of Joint Secretary	Shri Sangram Keshari Panda, OAS (SAG), Additional Secretary to Government
4.	9(1) (d)	Ex-Officio Members	Director of Higher Education, Govt. of Odisha	Director of Higher Education
5.	9(1) (e)	Ex-Officio Members	Director of Medical Education and Training, Odisha or his representative	Director of Medical Education and Training, Odisha
6.	9(1) (f)	Ex-Officio Members	Director of Technical Education and Training, Odisha or his representative	Director of Technical Education and Training, Odisha
7.	9(1) (g)	Ex-Officio Members	Concerned Regional Director of Education	Regional Director, Sambalpur
8.	9(1) (h)	Ex-Officio Members	One Representative from the Odisha University of Health Sciences, to be nominated by its Vice-Chancellor	Dean and Principal Saheed Rendo Majhi, Medical college and Hospital, Bhawanipatna
9.	9(1) (i)	Ex-Officio Members	One Representative from the Biju Patnaik University of Technology, to be nominated by its Vice-Chancellor	Prof. Ashwini kumar Sahoo, Prof. in Electrical Engineering, CUPGS, BPUT.
10.	9(1) (j)	Ex-Officio Members	Collector of the revenue district or his representative	District Magistrate and Collector, Kalahandi
11.	9(1) (k)	Ex-Officio Members	Chairperson, Odisha State Higher Education Council or the Vice-Chairperson or any member duly authorised by him	Chairperson, Odisha State Higher Education Council

(Signature)

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12.	9(1) (l)	Ex-Officio Members	Advocate-General, Odisha or his representative	Advocate-General, Odisha or his representative
13.	9(1) (m)	Ex-Officio Members	Chairman, Post-Graduate Council of the concerned University	Dr. Nibedita Nath, CPGC, Maa Manikeshwari University
14.	9(1) (n)	Ex-Officio Members	Heads of all Post-Graduate Department of the concerned University	Heads of all Post-Graduate Department, Maa Manikeshwari University
15.	9(1) (o)	Other Members	Three Principals or Professors of Government colleges, affiliated to the concerned University or in case of Unitary University, two Principals or Professors of any Government college, to be nominated by the Government, for each University on seniority cum rotation basis	1. Dr. Akshaya Kumar Sahoo, Model Degree College, Nuapada 2. Dr. Trilochan Jena, Govt. Womens College, Bhawanipatna. 3. Sri Sarbeswar Uthansingh, Government Degree College, Thuamul Rampur
16.	9(1) (p)	Other Members	Two members of the concerned Academic council, to be selected from among themselves	To be nominated
17.	9(1) (q)	Other Members	The Member of Parliament to the Lower House in whose jurisdiction the University situates	Smt. Malvika Devi, Hon'ble MP (Lok Sabha), Kalahandi
18.	9(1) (r)	Other Members	Four members of the Odisha Legislative Assembly to be nominated by the Hon'ble speaker	1. Shri Sudhir Ranjan Pattajoshi, M.L.A., Dharmagarh 2. Shri Jay Dholakia, M.L.A, Nuapada 3. Shri Narsingh Batra, M.L.A, Nawarangapur 4. Shri Laxman bag, M.L.A, Bolangir

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19.	9(1) (s)	Other Members	Two persons to be nominated by the Chancellor	1. Dr. A.B. Ota, Former Director, SCSTRTI, Bhubaneswar 2. Dr. Ajaya Mishra, Retd. Reader, Kalahandi
20.	9(1) (t)	Other Members	President and Secretary of Student Union of the University	To be elected
21.	9(1) (u)	Other Members	Two members from among Non-Teaching Employees of the concerned University to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor	To be nominated
22.	9(1) (v)	Other Members	Two senior teachers of affiliated Non-Government Aided College from Kalahandi & Nuapada districts to be nominated by the Government	To be nominated
23.	9(1) (w)	Other Members	Three Alumni of the University to be nominated, one each by the Chancellor, State and the Syndicate	1. Dr. U.C. Satapathy, Retd. Principal
24.	9(1) (x)	Other Members	President or Secretary of the oldest registered alumni association of the University	Dr. Bhawani Shankar Nial, Secretary, Registered Alumni Association
25.	9(1) (y)	Other Members	Three teachers from Under Graduate Colleges and three teachers from colleges with Post-Graduation, to be nominated by the Syndicate	To be nominated
26.	9(1) (z)	Other Members	seven students including a lady student and one from Scheduled Tribe or Scheduled Caste of the concerned University, to be nominated by the Syndicate, of whom one shall be from students having outstanding performance in academic pursuits, one shall be from students having outstanding performance in sports and one shall be from students having outstanding performance in performing arts and one shall be from NCC or NSS	To be nominated


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27.	9(1) (za)	Other Members	Three eminent academicians to be nominated by the Chancellor	1. Dr. Uma Charan Pati, Reader of Economics, G.M. University 2. Dr. Manoranjan Mishra, Prof. of Geography, F.M. University 3. Prof. Arun Acharjya, Prof. of Anthropology, Sambalpur University
28.	9(1) (zb)	Other Members	Two members from industries to be nominated by the Syndicate	To be nominated
29.	9(1) (zc)	Other Members	One eminent person from Skill Development Sector to be nominated by the Syndicate	To be nominated
30.	9(1) (zd)	Other Members	One eminent person of Odia diaspora staying abroad with excellent international reputation to be nominated by the Syndicate	To be nominated
31.		Other Members	Member Secretary and Convenor	Dr. Gunanidhi Naik, OAS(S), Registrar, Maa Manikeshwari University

9 (2) The term of office of the members of the Senate, other than the ex-officio members, shall be three years from the date of issue of this notification. Also the term of office of the student members shall be for one academic year.

9(3) The Senate shall exercise and perform the following powers and functions namely:

- To review policies and programmes of the University and suggest measures for the improvement and development.
- To consider the annual reports, annual accounts and annual audit report of the University and pass resolution thereon.
- To review the performance of the University in the field of academics and research/human resource management or financial management or compliance to audit observation and opportunity in Higher Education and;
- To exercise such other power and perform such other function as may be prescribed in the statute.

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9 (4) The Registrar shall be the member Secretary and Convenor.

There shall be at least one meeting of the Senate in an Academic year on the date to be fixed by the Vice Chancellor. As near as may be One Fourth of the members of the Senate in office on the date of the meeting shall form the quorum for the meeting of the senate.

By the Order of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

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Copy submitted for kind information to:

1. The Principal Secretary to the Chancellor, Governor's Secretariat, Lok Bhavan, Odisha, Bhubaneswar
2. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Odisha.

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. Copy to all members of the Senate, Maa Manikeshwari University
2. Chairman, PG Council/Warden, All Hostels/All HoDs & Coordinators of the PG Department/Director Students Welfare/Director, IQAC, Director, CDC/OIC, Library/Programme Coordinator, NSS/University Website.
3. All Officers/Section Officers/P.A. to Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.

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