

**KERALA UNIVERSITY OF FISHERIES AND OCEAN STUDIES**  
**Panangad PO, KOCHI 682506**

**GA6/ 440/2025**

**Date: 18.08.2025**

**NOTIFICATION**

**Sub:** KUFOS, Panangad - Election to the University Governing Council - Student Constituency - Notification dated 18.07.2025 - Election scheduled on 19.08.2025 - Set aside - Orders issued.

Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies (KUFOS), through Notification No. GA6/440/2025(ii) dated 18.07.2025, notified the election to the University Governing Council from among the full time regular students for the constituency, which was scheduled to be held on 19.08.2025 between 10.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m.

As per the notification issued by the University, the last date for the receipt of the nominations was 04.08.2025 at 2.00 PM. Accordingly, 7 nominations were received at the Office of Returning Officer. Pursuant to Clause 6.5 of the Report of the Lyngdoh Committee, which deals with the eligibility criteria of students for participating in elections, five out of the seven nominations were rejected citing reasons given below:

1. Sri. Althaph Ali - Suspension as per order No.Acad3/1998/2025 dated 28.04.2025 and attendance shortage
2. Sri. Dayal Shaji - Suspension as per order No.Acad3/1998/2025 dated 28.04.2025
3. Sri. Arjun M. - Shortage of attendance
4. Ms. Athira Janardhanan - Shortage of attendance
5. Sri. Mohammad Rameesh K.P. - Academic arrears

Subsequently, the University has published the list of valid nominations after conducting the scrutiny on 04.08.2025. The two valid nominations included in the list are as follows:

1. Muhammed Farook P.A.
2. Thejaswini M.

However, Shri. Mohammed Rameesh K.P., challenged the rejection of his nomination before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No. 29158/2025. By the interim order dated 08.08.2025, Honble High Court of Kerala has directed the University to provisionally accept his nomination and include him in the list of candidates, pending disposal of the Writ Petition.

Consequent to the interim order in WP(C) No.29158/2025 dated 08.08.2025, the University has provisionally included Sri. Mohammad Rameesh K.P. in the final list of candidates and published the same.

However, Sri. Muhammed Farook P.A., one of the valid candidates withdrew his nomination on 11.08.2025 which was the last date for withdrawal of the nomination. Therefore, only two candidates were left for contesting the election namely;

1. Mohammad Rameesh K.P.
2. Thejaswini M.

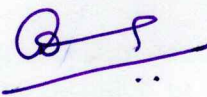
In the meantime, the University filed WA No. 2007/2025 before the Hon'ble High Court on 13.08.2025 against the interim order dated 08.08.2025. The Hon'ble High Court, in the judgment dated 18.08.2025 has allowed the Writ Appeal filed by the University by setting aside the impugned order dated 08.08.2025 passed by the learned Single Judge in WP(C) No. 29158 of 2025. The contentions raised by the parties regarding the applicability of the Lyngdoh Committee recommendations to the election of student representative for constituting the University Governing Council is left open to be decided in appropriate proceedings.

In consonance with the judgment dated 18.08.2025 in WA 2007/2025, only one candidate is left for contesting in the election to the University Governing Council from among full time regular students of the University, namely;

1. Thejaswini M.

Accordingly, in compliance with the judgment dated 18.08.2025 in WA 2007/2025 of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, the University hereby sets aside the election to the University Governing Council from the full time regular student constituency scheduled on 19.08.2025.

(By Order of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor)



Registrar & Returning Officer

To

Notice Board

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