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KAU VC selection: Univ rep elected

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STATE Planning Board member Dr Ravi Raman has been nominated as Kerala Agricultural University General Council representative for the search committee to select the new vice-chancellor.

The decision was taken at a special meeting of the council chaired by Minister for Agriculture V S Sunil Kumar in the capacity of varsity pro-chancellor at the Regional Agriculture Research Station (RARS) here on Tuesday. Ravi joins nominees of the Chancellor and the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) in the committee constituted as per the KAU Act. The term of incumbent vice-chancellor expires on October 31.

Vice-chancellor Dr P Rajendran said the council unanimously decided the new academic cum research block will be named the C Achutha Menon Memorial Block to honour the former Chief Minister's key role in establishing KAU. Agricultural production commissioner Tikkaram Meena, ICAR representative Dr C N Ravishankar, registrar Dr S Leena Kumary, elected representatives and nominated members attended the meeting.