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Minutes of the 451^{st} Meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 10^{th} September, 2008.

The 451st Meeting of the Commission was held on 10th September, 2008 in which the following were present:-

1. Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat Chairman

2. Prof. Mool Chand Sharma Vice Chairperson

Mrs. Rita Menon
 Prof. Shivajirao Shripatrao Kadam
 Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu
 Member
 Member

Shri Sunil Kumar, Joint Secretary, MHRD attended the meeting as a Special Invitee.

Shri R.P. Agrawal, Secretary, MHRD, Prof. Jalees Ahmed Khan Tareen, , Dr.(Mrs.) Shashi Rai, Prof. Xavier Alphonse, S.J. Dr.Vidya Yeravdekar, Prof. D. Singh Chauhan and Prof. Achyutananda Samanta, Members could not attend the meeting. Leave of absence was granted to them.

Prof. R.A. Yadav, Chairman, AICTE, invited as a special invitee could not attend the meeting.

The following officers of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary

Dr. R. K. Chauhan

Additional Secretary

Dr.N.A. Kazmi

Director (Admn.)

Dr. K. Gunasekaran

Joint Secretary (Finance)

Dr. C.S. Meena

SECTION-1

1.01 (a): To confirm the minutes of the 450th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **8**th **August, 2008.**

The Minutes were examined and confirmed except Item No. 5.02 covering UGC Institutions Deemed to be Universities Regulations, 2008 for which the Members gave some additional suggestions. Shri Sunil Kumar, Joint Secretary (HE), presented the view point of the Ministry of HRD against the above Item. The same were considered and the "UGC Institutions Deemed to be UniversitiesRegulations 2008 were modified and approved accordingly as at APPENDIX - I. The Commission also considered the suggestions submitted to the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Viplav Sharma case and the Commission approved its view point thereon as at APPENDIX – II.

1.01 (b) (i) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 449th Meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 21st July, 2008.

This was noted.

1.01 (b) (ii) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 450th Meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **8th August**, **2008**.

This was noted.

- 1.02 (a) To ratify the action taken on certain matters
 - (i) Extension in the term of Prof. Naresh Kumar Dadhich as Director, IUCAA, Pune.

The Commission ratified the decision taken by the Chairman in extending the term of Prof. Naresh Kumar Dadhich as Director, IUCAA.

(ii) To report the decision regarding enhancement in the age of Vice-Chancellors of deemed universities from 65 to 70 years.

This was deferred.

(iii) Appointment of Director, NAAC, Bangalore.

The Commission approved the action taken by the Chairman, UGC for appointment of Director, NAAC, Bangalore based on the recommendations of the Search Committee.

The Commission further decided that in future all the Search Committees may be requested to suggest atleast three names for the consideration by the Chairman, UGC.

(iv) To ratify the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC on the recommendation/minutes of the DPC meeting held on 28.08.2008 for promotion of SO to the post of Under Secretary in the scale of pay of Rs.10000-325-15200.

The Commission approved the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC on recommendation/minutes of the DPC held on 28.08.08 for promotion of Shri T.R.Sharma as Under Secretary in the pay scale of Rs.10000-325-15200.

1.02 (b) To receive the items of information.

There was no Item.

1.03 To receive the position of funds of UGC and Related Issues.

The Commission noted the release of funds by UGC with the following observations:

(i) There is need to take timely action for selection of candidates under various fellowship Schemes of the Commission. No actions seem to have been taken for this scheme so far.

Action: JS (SA-I & SA-II) / JS (SA-III)

(ii) The Universities may be asked to expedite the pace of expenditure for various schemes and the grant sanctioned to them may be utilized in a time bound manner. In case a University or College is not able to utilized the sanctioned grant within the specified period, no further grant be released to them and if need be, the same may be diverted to other needy Institutions.

Action: All Bureau Heads

SECTION-2 (MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider draft UGC (grant of degree and other awards by universities) regulations, 2008.

The Commission approved the UGC (grant of degree and other awards by universities) regulations, 2008 as at APPENDIX - III.

SECTION-3 (REFERECNE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)

3.01 To consider the report of Joint Cadre Review Committee (JCRC) on Reforms in the Cadre Recruitment Rules for various categories of posts in respect of 15 identified services / cadre structures.

This was deferred.

SECTION-4 (SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC.)

4.01 To consider the seniority of Research Scientists in the case of their absorption in respective University/Institute /College.

The Commission approved the recommendations of the Committee of Commission Members and decided that the rules of seniority of the respective Institutions/Universities/Colleges where the Research Scientists are working be made applicable in case of their absorption in respective University/Institution/College.

Action: JS(SA)

4.02 To consider the proposal of INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad for the construction of own permanent institute building.

The Commission approved the proposal of INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad for the construction of its own permanent building at INFOCITY, Gandhinagar at a cost of Rs. 21.75 crores as approved by Governing Board INFLIBNET with UGC share limited to Rs. 10.88 crores i.e. 50% of the approved cost. The Commission further approved the proposal for the construction of building of the INFLIBNET Centre as per the procedure adopted for construction of NAAC.

Action: JS (IUC)

SECTION-5 (GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

5.01: To consider the UGC draft Regulations for Admission and Fee Structure in Professional Programmes of study in self Financing deemed to be universities.

This was deferred

5.02:

To consider the request of Bihar Yoga Bharati for withdrawal of deemed to be university status conferred to it.

The Commission considered the request of Bihar Yoga Bharati for withdrawal of deemed-to-be University status and agreed to recommend the same to the Ministry of Human Resource Development subject to the condition that the students who are already enrolled may complete their course or the Institute may make alternate arrangement to the satisfaction of the students.

Action :JS (CPP-I)

5.03

To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to consider the proposal of Chh. Shahu Institute of Education & Research, Kolhapur, Maharashtra for conferment of Deemed to be University Status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

This was deferred.

5.04

To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of International College for Girls, Jaipur, Rajasthan for conferment of Deemed to be University status in the name of 'The I.I.S. University' under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

This was deferred.

5.05

To consider the XI Plan UGC Guidelines for Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Postdoctoral Fellowship in Humanities and Social Sciences (including languages) during Eleventh Five Year Plan Period (2007-2012).

The Commission approved the XI Plan UGC guidelines for Dr.S. Radhakrishnan Postdoctoral Fellowship in Humanities and Social Sciences. The Commission further authorized the Chairman, UGC to decide about the modalities and the Institute which could be assigned the work to implement the above scheme. The Commission further decided

that the number of awards to be made available may be decided by the Chairman, UGC depending upon the availability of funds.

Action: JS (SA)

5.06

To consider the Report of the Committee for year-wise Plan of Action on the implementation of recommendations of Fatimi Committee by Maulana Azad National Urdu University.

The Commission decided that the Report of the Committee for year-wise Plan of Action in the implementation of recommendations of Fatimi Committee by Maulana Azad National Urdu University may be sent to MHRD with a request to allocate additional funds to the tune of Rs. 443.00 crores so as to implement these recommendations. The Commission further decided that a sum of Rs.20.00 crores may be allocated for this purpose out of the Budget of the Commission for the current financial year and the balance amount may be provided after receipt of additional funds from the MHRD

Action: JS (CU)

5.07

To consider inclusion of Shri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, Tumkur as a constituent unit of Shri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Tumkur, Karnataka and the rectification report on the AICTE observations submitted by the deemed university.

The Commission examined the recommendation of the UGC Expert Committee, AICTE Expert Committee, Advice of the AICTE and compliance submitted by the Institute in respect of the observations of AICTE and agreed to recommend to Ministry of HRD that Shri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, Tumkur, Karnataka may be included under the ambit of Shri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, (Deemed to be University) Tumkur, Karnataka as its constituent unit.

5.08

To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee for considering the proposal of Rajiv Gandhi Prouduyogiki Vishwavidyalaya, Bhopal for inclusion under Section 12 (B) of UGC Act.

The Commission examined the report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman to evaluate the proposal of Rajiv Gandhi Prouduyogiki Vishwavidyalaya, Bhopal and approved it to declare fit to receive central assistance under Section 12-B of the UGC Act, 1956. A copy of the report of the Committee may be sent to the University and the State Government for follow-up action on the suggestion of the Committee.

Action: JS (CPP-I)

5.09

To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to bring Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Gram - Lavale, Tal – Mushi, Dt. Pune, Maharashtra under the ambit of Symbiosis International University, Deemed University, Pune, Maharashtra.

The Commission examined the recommendations of the Expert Committee and the advice of AICTE and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of HRD that the Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Gram - Lavale, Tal - Mushi, Dt. Pune, Maharashtra may be included under the ambit of Symbiosis International University, Deemed University, Pune, Maharashtra as its constituent units.

5.10

To consider the compliance submitted by Akruti Citygold Institute, Mumbai, Maharashtra in respect of the deficiencies pointed out by the UGC Expert Committee and AICTE Expert Committee for conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 under de-novo category.

This was deferred.

Action: JS (CPP-I)

5.11 To consider reports of the Expert Visiting Committees for Conferment of fresh
Autonomous Status in respect of (1)Ramakrishna Mission Residential College, Narendrapur, Kolkata (2) Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira (A residential College of Teacher Education) Belur Math, Howarh, (3) Dwaraka Doss Goverdhan Doss Vaishnav College and Extension of Autonomous Status in respect of (1) AEC Training College and Centre, Pachmarhi-461881 (2) Govt. P.G. College, Datia (MP), (3) Presidency College (Autonomous) Chennai-600005, (4) Queen Mary's College, (autonomous) Kamarajar Salai Mylapore, Chennai-600004, (5) St. Christopher's College of Education, No. 63, E.V.K. Sampath Road, Vepery, Chennai-600007 falling in the States of West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh and Tamilnadu affiliated to Calcutta University, Barakatullah University, Jiwaji University, University of Madras respectively.

The Commission considered the recommendations of the Expert Committees and agreed for conferment of fresh autonomous status to three colleges and extension of autonomous status to five colleges as under:

S.No.	Name of the college/university to which affiliated.	Fresh Autonomy/Extension tenure approved by the Commission
A.	Fresh Autonomous Cases	
1.	Ramakrishna Mission Residential Colege, PO Narendrapur, Kokata(WB)	2008-09 to 2013-14
2.	Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanamandira, PO Belur Math, District. Howrah	2008-09 to 2013-14
3.	Dwaraka Doss Goverdhan Doss Vaishnav College, Chennai	2008-09 to 2013-14
В.	Extension of Autonomous Cases	
1.	AEC Training College and Centre, Pachmarhi	2008-09 to 2012-13 including ex-post-facto approval for the period upto 2007-08.
2.	Govt. P.G. College, Datia (MP)	2007-08 to 2010-11 including ex-post-fact approval for the period upto 2006-07
3.	Presidency College(Autonomous) Chennai	2002-03 to 2007-08
4.	Queen Mary's College, Kamarajar Salai Mylapore, Chennai	2002-03 to 2007-08
5.	St. Christopher's College of Education, No.63, E.V.K. Sampath Road, Vepery, Chennai	2008-09 to 2009-10 including ex-post-fact approval for the period upto 2007-08.

Action: JS (AC)

To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to consider the proposal of Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Bheemanthangal, Sriperumbudur, Tamilnadu for conferment of Deemed to be University status (De-novo category) under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission considered the presentation made by the Representatives of Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Bheemanthangal, Sriperumbudur, Tamilnadu and approved the recommendations of the Expert Committee and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for conferment of Deemed to be University under De-novo category under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956. The Commission further recommended that the Institute may be reviewed annually for a period of 5 years.

5.13 To consider the letter received from Dr. (Mrs.) Vidya Yervedekar, Member, UGC.

This was deferred.

5.14 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee for considering the proposal of Bhagat Phool Singh Mahila Vishwavidyalaya, Khanpur Kalan, Sonepat, Haryana for inclusion under Section 12 (B) of UGC Act.

The Commission examined the report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman to evaluate the proposal of Bhagat Phool Singh Mahila Vishwavidyalaya, Khanpur Kalan, Sonepat, Haryana and approved it to declare fit to receive assistance under Section 12-B of the UGC Act, 1956. A copy of the report of the Committee may be sent to the University and the State Government for follow-up action on the suggestion of the Committee.

Action: JS (CPP-I)

5.15 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to consider the proposal of International Institute of Information Technology, Pune, Maharashtra for conferment of Deemed to be University status (De-novo category) under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission considered the presentation made by the Representatives of International Institute of Information Technology, Pune, Maharashtra and the report of the UGC Expert Committee, AICTE Expert Committee, the advice of AICTE and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for conferment of Deemed to be University under De-novo category under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956. The Commission further recommended that the Institute may be reviewed annually for a period of 5 years.

SECTION-6 (MISCELLANEOUS)

6.01: To consider certain establishment matters of the University Grants

Commission

Recorded separately.

6.02: To receive the status notes on UGC Programmes/Scheme.

There was no item.

6.03: To note the date and place of the next meeting of the Commission.

The Chairman was authorized to fix the next date of meeting of the

Commission.

(R.K. CHAUHAN)
Secretary

(SUKHADEO THORAT) Chairman