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UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG NEW DELHI-110 002

MINUTES OF THE 519th MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION HELD ON 15TH NOVEMBER, 2016.

The 519th Meeting of the Commission was held on 15th November, 2016 in which the following were present:

1.	Prof. Ved Prakash	Chairman
2.	Mr. Vinay Sheel Oberoi	Member
3.	Mr. Pramod Kumar Das	Member
4.	Prof. V.S. Chauhan	Member
5.	Prof. Mohammad Miyan	Member
6.	Dr. K.N. Shanti	Member
7.	Prof. Inder Mohan Kapahy	Member
8.	Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar	Member
9.	Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh Chander Kuhad	Member

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary

Prof. (Dr.) Jaspal Singh Sandhu

At the outset, the Chairman, UGC welcomed the Members. He apprised the Members of the outcomes of the Review Committee meeting held on 6th October, 2016 at Banaras Hindu University which was chaired by the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development Shri Prakash Javadekar. Further to this meeting, the Hon'ble President of India would be convening the "Visitors Conference" of all the Central Universities / Institutions of National Importance from 16th to 18th November, 2016 in the Rasthrapati Bhawan. The Chairman further informed the Commission that the UGC has been identified by the MHRD as the nodal agency for the implementation of National Academic Depository in the country.

SECTION-1

1.01(a) To confirm the minutes of the 518th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **2**nd **September, 2016**.

Confirmed.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

1.01(b) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 518th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **2**nd **September**, **2016**.

Noted.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

- **1.02 (a)** To ratify the action taken on certain matter
 - (i) To report the sanction of grant of Rs.250 lakhs to the "Centre for Policy Research in Higher Education" at National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA), New Delhi a deemed to be university.

Noted and ratified.

[Action: JS(CU)]

(ii) To report the inclusion of 145 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.08.2016 to 31.10.2016 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

Noted and ratified.

[Action: JS(CPP-I/C)]

(iii) To report the recommendations of the Expert Committee constituted by the Commission in its 497th meeting held on 10.01.2014 with regard to approval of institutions under sections 2(f), 12 (B) and compliance under Section 13 of the UGC Act, 1956.

Noted and ratified.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

- **1.02 (b)** To receive the items of information. **(No item)**
- 1.03 To receive the position of funds of UGC and Related Issues. (No item)
- 1.04 To consider and approve University Grants Commission's Annual Report for the year 2015-16 for placing it before the Parliament through MHRD.

Considered and approved with the incorporation of a few observations highlighting certain major achievements.

[Action: AS-I)]

SECTION-2 (MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider the UGC Notification on Remittance and Refund of Fees and other Student – Centric Issues.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(CPP-II)]

2.02

To consider the notification of Distance Education Bureau of UGC on the website of UGC on pursuing two or more programme simultaneously.

Considered and decided not to allow any two programmes to be pursued simultaneously. The inputs from the Ministry of Human Resource Development were taken into consideration while arriving at this decision.

[Action: AS(II)]

2.03

To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Central Institute of Fisheries Education (Deemed to be University), Panch Marg, Off. Yari Road, Versova, Andheri (West), Mumbai - 400061 to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that all the deficiencies pointed out would be rectified and the suggestions given by the Expert Committee would be implemented within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

2.04

To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and Research Institute (Deemed to be University), P.O. Belur Math, Dist. Howrah, West Bengal – 711 202 to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that all the deficiencies pointed out would be rectified and the suggestions given by the Expert Committee would be implemented within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

2.05

To consider the Report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to assess the proposal for Deemed University status under de-novo category to Footwear Design & Development Institute (FDDI), Noida, Uttar Pradesh under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

Considered and approved with the condition that it would be recommended to the MHRD to issue Letter of Intent to FDDI for becoming an Institution Deemed to be University. On submission of compliance report from FDDI as per the deficiencies pointed out by the Expert Committee, the UGC would carry out the reinspection before sending its recommendations to the MHRD.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

2.06

To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha (Deemed to be University), B-4, Qutab Institutional Area, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi – 110 016 to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that all the deficiencies pointed out would be rectified and the suggestions given by the Expert Committee would be implemented within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

2.07

To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to carry out the audit of Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University), Pune.

Considered and approved. It was decided to send the Report of the Committee to the MHRD and a specific time frame be given to Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth to rectify the deficiencies pointed out in the Report, failing which the Commission will take appropriate action.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

2.08

To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited The IIS University (Deemed to be University), Gurukul Marg, SFS, Mansarovar, Jaipur–302020, Rajasthan review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that all the deficiencies pointed out would be rectified and the suggestions given by the Expert Committee would be implemented within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

2.09

To consider the issue related to the students admitted by Vellore Institute of Technology (Deemed to be University), Vellore (Tamil Nadu) in its Chennai off-campus centre during 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 i.e. even before the Chennai off-campus centre was notified by the Ministry of HRD and starting of new courses at its Chennai off-campus centre.

Considered and approved.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

2.10

To consider constitution of External Peer Review Committee for the purpose of re-appointment of College Principal.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(PS)]

SECTION-3

(REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)

3.01

(i) To ratify the decision regarding approval of Teaching and Non-Teaching position for the Satellite Campus of Babasahib Bhimrao Ambedkar University (BBAU), Lucknow. (ii) To consider the request of the MHRD to authorize the BBAU to utilize the amount of Rs.10.00 crore allocated by the Commission towards Satellite Centre at the Amethi Campus of IIIT, Allahabad.

Noted and ratified.

[Action: JS(CU)]

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3.02 To consider the decisions taken in the meeting chaired by Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister to discuss "Issues of Trauma Centre and Institute of Medical Sciences", BHU, Varanasi on 27th October, 2016 in a time bound manner.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(CU)]

SECTION-4 (SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)

4.01 To consider further amendment in Clause 5.5 of the UGC guidelines for General Development Assistance to Central Universities, State Universities and institutions Deemed to be Universities during XII Plan.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(CU)]

4.02 To consider granting further accreditation to SLET Commission (NE Region), Gauhati University, Guwahati, Assam for conducting SET on behalf of the states of North Eastern Region.

Considered and approved.

[Action: AS(II)]

4.03 To consider the letter received from the Ministry of HRD regarding the establishment of National Academic Depository (NAD).

Considered and approved. Further, it was resolved that since the MoU has already been approved by the Steering Committee of MHRD for implementation of National Academic Depository, the Chairman of the Implementation Cell would enter into an MoU on behalf of University Grants Commission with the Depositories.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

4.04 To consider continuation of SAP assistance to deemed to be universities/institutes not covered under section 12 B of the UGC Act.

Considered and approved with the condition that all the institutes /deemed to be Universities be asked to get themselves recognized under section 12-B of the UGC Act, 1956 within a period of six months.

[Action: JS(SAP)]

4.05 To consider amendment in the UGC Guidelines for Autonomous Colleges with regard to the forwarding of proposals by affiliating Universities for autonomous status to UGC.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(AC)]

4.06 To consider granting accreditation to Madhya Pradesh Public Service Commission (MPPSC) for conducting SET on behalf of the state of Madhya Pradesh.

Considered and approved.

[Action: AS(II)]

(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

5.01 To consider minutes of the meeting of the Committee to rationalize and fix the ceiling on the Non-Plan grants paid by the UGC to various universities/institutions.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(F)]

To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee on AutonomousColleges for grant of fresh/extension of autonomous status to colleges.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(AC)]

5.03 To consider the UGC (Credit Framework for Online Courses through SWAYAM) Regulation, 2016 (First Amendment).

Considered and approved.

[Action: AS(I)]

5.04 To consider exemption in the condition of 12-B status to provide financial assistance to centrally funded Institutions/Universities.

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Considered and approved with the condition that all the institutes /deemed to be Universities be asked to get themselves recognized under section 12-B of the UGC Act, 1956, within a period of six months.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

SECTION-6 (MISCELLANEOUS)

6.01 To consider certain establishment matter of University Grants Commission

Recorded Separately.

(JASPAL SINGH SANDHU) SECRETARY (VED PRAKASH) CHAIRMAN