

**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADUR SHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI - 110 002**

**MINUTES OF THE 457TH MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
HELD ON 24TH MARCH, 2009.**

The 457th Meeting of the Commission was held on 24th March, 2009 in which the following were present:-

1. Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat	Chairman
2. Prof. Shivajirao Shripatrao Kadam	Member
3. Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu	Member
4. Prof. Xavier Alphonse, S.J.	Member
5. Prof. Jalees Ahmed Khan Tareen	Member
6. Prof. D. Singh Chauhan	Member
7. Prof. Achyutananda Samanta	Member
8. Mrs. Vilasini Ramachandran	Member

Prof. Ved Prakash, Vice-Chairman, Shri R.P. Agrawal and Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar could not attend the meeting. Leave of absence was granted to them.

Prof. R.A. Yadav, Chairman, AICTE who was invited to attend as a Special Invitee could not attend.

The following officers of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary

Dr. R. K. Chauhan

Director (Admn.)

Dr. K. Gunasekaran

Financial Adviser

Shri A.K. Dogra

Dr. R.K. Chauhan, Secretary and Dr. K Gunasekaran, Director were not present at the time of consideration of Item No. 6.01(i) & 6.01(iii) respectively.

The Chairman, UGC informed the Commission that Prof. Mool Chand Sharma, Former Vice-Chairman, UGC has been appointed as the Vice-Chancellor of Central University of Haryana and Mrs Rita Menon has completed her term as Member. The Commission placed on record the services rendered by Prof. Mool Chand Sharma as Vice-Chairman, UGC and Mrs. Rita Menon as Member.

The Chairman also informed the Commission regarding the appointment of Prof. Ved Prakash, Vice-Chancellor of National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) as Vice-Chairman of UGC and Mrs. Vilasini Ramachandran, Additional Secretary, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, New Delhi as Member. The Commission welcomed the appointments.

AGENDA

SECTION-1

- 1.01 (a)** To confirm the minutes of the 456th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 24th February, 2009.

The minutes were confirmed with the modification in respect to Item No. 2.01 of the meeting held on 27th January, 2009 and the Commission recommended the amendment / addition to the Rules of the Commission (Fitness of Institution for Grants) Rules, 1974 and 1975 as per notifications as Annexure-I & II. The Government may be requested to amend/modify these Rules accordingly.

Action : JS (CPP-II)

- 1.01 (b)** To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 456th of the University Grants Commission held on 24th February, 2009.

This was noted.

- 1.02 (a)** To ratify the action taken on certain matters.

There was no Item.

- 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.

This was noted.

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SECTION-2 (MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

There was no item under this section.

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

- 3.01** To consider the directions received from Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development on the matter of accreditation of the Institutions Deemed to be Universities and Institutions applying for Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission considered the communication dated 18th November, 2008 received from MHRD and noted that at the time of consideration of case of Adesh Foundation, Muktsar, Punjab under de-novo category, the condition of accreditation was not applicable as per UGC guidelines. Therefore, this case needs to be considered as per the guidelines applicable at that time. The Commission has approved Regulations for Deemed to be Universities and has sent the same to the Government for concurrence. The said Regulations contained this condition. The Commission desired that the MHRD may be requested to expedite its concurrence for the Regulations so that these decisions could be implemented uniformly.

Action : JS(CPP-I)

- 3.02** To consider the communication No. 437/6/5/2009-CC&BE/870 dated 8th March, 2009 of the Election Commission of India received through Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India.

The Commission considered the communication No. 437/6/5/2009-CC&BE/870 dated 8th March, 2009 of the Election Commission of India received through Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India regarding applicability of the Model Code of Conduct in respect of issuance of Notification/communication regarding Deemed to be Universities. The

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Commission decided that all decision involving issuance of Notification by UGC and decisions involving communication regarding Deemed to be Universities status be postponed till the completion of General Election to Lok Sabha, 2009.

Action: All Bureaus

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

There was no item under this section.

SECTION-5 (GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

5.01

To consider the decisions taken in the second meeting of the Forum of Vice-Chancellors of North East Central Universities held on 8th December, 2008 at Durbar Hall, Raj Bhavan, Aizawl, Mizoram.

The Commission considered the decision taken at the second meeting of the Forum of Vice-Chancellors of North East Central Universities (NECU) held on 8th December, 2008 and decided as follows:

- 1. It was agreed to increase the present level of allocation for visiting Fellowship/Professorship under Merged Scheme upto a maximum of 50% for NECU.*
- 2. It was agreed to enhance the present level of allocation for Women's Hostel and Special Development for Young University as per the schedule of rates of CPWD for the respective area for buildings. This decision will also apply to hilly, backward and remote areas and this will be over and above the normal ceiling.*

3. *It was agreed to pay the 100% grant to a Central University without insisting for a completion certificate wherever the construction work has been done by CPWD or other Central Public Sector Undertakings.*
4. *It was agreed that Career and Counseling Cell be made a part of Equal Opportunity Cell and merged with the Equal Opportunity Cell.*

Action : JS(CU)

5.02 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Deemed University, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu.

This was deferred, in view of the decision at 3.02.

5.03 To consider the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for on the spot verification of the infrastructural facilities available with Rajarajeswari Dental College & Hospital, Mysore Road, Bangalore (Karnataka) for conferment of deemed to be university status.

This was deferred, in view of the decision at 3.02.

5.04 To consider the Report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Deemed University, Mumbai, Maharashtra to start off-campus at Bangalore, Karnataka.

This was deferred, in view of the decision at 3.02.

5.05 To consider Seven (07) reports of the Expert Visiting Committees for Conferment of **fresh Autonomous Status** in respect of **03 three colleges i.e.** (1) **M.S. Ramaiah Institute of Technology, MSR Nagar, MSRIT Post, Bangalore-560054 affiliated to Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum** (2) **Pioneer Institute of Professional Studies, Mahalaxmi Nagar, Indore-452010 (MP) affiliated to Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore,** (3) **V.V.Vanniaperumal College for Women, Virudhunagar-626001 (TN) affiliated to Madurai Kamraj University, Madurai and Extension of Autonomous Status** in respect of **4 (four) colleges i.e.** (1) **Lady Doak**

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College, Tallakulam, Madurai-625002 (TN) affiliated to Madurai Kamraj University, Madurai (TN), (2) Madura College (Autonomous) T.P.K. Road, Madurai (TN) affiliated to Madurai Kamraj University, (3) Gangadhar Meher (Autonomous) College, Sambalpur (Orissa) and (4) Government Autonomous College, Rourkela (Orissa) affiliated to Sambalpur University, Sambalpur (Orissa) falling in the States of Karnatak, Madhya Pradesh, Tamilnadu, and Orissa respectively.

The Commission DEFERRED its decision with regard to award of fresh autonomous status to 03 three colleges namely (1) M.S. Ramaiah Institute of Technology, MSR Nagar, MSRIT Post, Bangalore-560054 affiliated to Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum (2) Pioneer Institute of Professional Studies, Mahalaxmi Nagar, Indore-452010 (MP) affiliated to Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Indore, (3) V.V.Vanniaperumal College for Women, Virudhunagar-626001 (TN) affiliated to Madurai Kamraj University, Madurai. However, the Commission agreed to extend the autonomous status in respect of 04 (four) colleges as per the details given below.

<i>S.No.</i>	<i>Name of the College/University to which affiliated</i>	<i>Extension tenure approved by the Commission</i>
<i>1</i>	Lady Doak College, Tallakulam, Madurai-625002 (TN) affiliated to Madurai Kamraj University, Madurai (TN),	<i>2008-09 to 2013-2014 including Ex-post-facto approval for the year 2007-2008</i>
<i>2</i>	Madura College (Autonomous) T.P.K. Road, Madurai (TN) affiliated to Madurai Kamraj University	<i>2008-09 to 2013-2014 including Ex-post-facto approval for the year 2007-2008</i>
<i>3</i>	Gangadhar Meher (Autonomous) College, Sambalpur (Orissa)	<i>2008-09 to 2013-2014 including Ex-post-facto approval for the year 2006-2007 to 2007-2008</i>
<i>4</i>	Government Autonomous College, Rourkela (Orissa) affiliated to Sambalpur University, Sambalpur (Orissa)	<i>2008-09 to 2013-2014 including Ex-post-facto approval for the year 2006-2007 to 2007-2008</i>

The Commission further decided that the review of the autonomous colleges may be done on a fast track mode so that the existing backlog of cases may be completed. It was further decided that the existing guidelines on autonomous colleges may be reviewed so that the review of autonomous colleges are made within the expiry of the tenure of an autonomous college and other necessary changes may be made.

Action : Director(Admn.)/AC

- 5.06** To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to consider the proposal of Sri Venkateswara College of Engineering, Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu for conferment of Deemed to be University status in the name of 'Shri Venkateswara Educational and Health University' under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

This was deferred, in view of the decision at 3.02.

- 5.07** To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to consider the proposal of PGP Group of Institutions, Namakkal, Tamil Nadu for conferment of Deemed to be University status (De-novo category) in the name of 'PGP University' under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

This was deferred, in view of the decision at 3.02.

- 5.08** To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Maharashtra Institute of Medical Sciences and Research (MIMSR), Latur, Maharashtra for conferment of Deemed to be University status in the name of 'MAEER'S MIT World Peace University' under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

This was deferred, in view of the decision at 3.02.

5.09

To consider the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Pandit Dwarka Prasad Mishra Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design & Manufacturing, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh for conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 under de-novo category - Compliance report submitted by the Institute in respect of the observations of the AICTE Expert Committee.

The Commission considered the report of the UGC Expert Committee, AICTE Expert Committee, advice of AICTE and compliance submitted by the Institute in respect of the Committee of the AICTE and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for conferment of Deemed to be University status under de-novo category to Pandit Dwarka Prasad Mishra Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design & Manufacturing, Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh, a Government sponsored Institution, provisionally w.e.f. 2005-06, subject to annual review after for five years.

The above decision has been taken keeping in view the fact that the students were already enrolled and would be completing their degree programmes by the end of current academic year.

The Government may consider getting relaxation for issuing this notification from the Central Election Commission as the Institute is fully funded by Government.

Action : JS(CPP-I)

SECTION-6
(MISCELLANEOUS)

6.01 To consider certain establishment matters of the University Grants Commission.

Recorded separately.

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

The next meeting of the Commission will be held on 18th and 19th May, 2009.

- 1. Prof. Xavier Alphonse, S.J. may be requested to make a presentation on Community Colleges on 18th May, 2009.*
- 2. The Bureau Heads may be requested to make a Power Point Presentation on 18th May, 2009 for 15 minutes each on the Schemes dealt by them indicating the salient features of the Scheme, achievements during the year, Budget allocation and the expenditure for the year 2008-09 and proposed action plan for the coming year.*
- 3. CEC may be requested to prepare a documentary on the UGC schemes relating to physically challenged persons so as to sensitize all concerned in the field of higher education.*
- 4. A status note on implementation of UGC schemes on “Teacher Preparation in Special Education” (TEPSE) and “Higher Education for Persons with Special Needs” (HEPSN) may be prepared in respect of Colleges and Universities and placed before the Commission.*

(R.K. CHAUHAN)
SECRETARY

(SUKHADEO THORAT)
CHAIRMAN

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION (FITNESS OF INSTITUTIONS FOR GRANTS) (1ST AMENDMENT), RULES, 2009

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[Department of Higher Education]**

April, 2009

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 25 read with Section 12B of University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), the Central Government hereby makes the following Rules, to amend the University Grants Commission (Fitness of Institutions for Grants) Rules, 1975, namely :-

1. Short Title, Application and Commencement :
 - I. These Rules may be called the University Grants Commission (Fitness of Institutions for Grants) [1st Amendment], Rules, 2009.
 - II. They shall apply to every institution recognized by the Commission, in consultation with the university concerned under clause (f) of Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, on or after the 17th day of June, 1972, the date on which the University Grants Commission [Amendment] Act, 1972 [33 of 1972] came into force.
 - III. They shall come into force with effect from the date of their publication in the Gazette of India.
 - IV. In Rules 2[iii] of the University Grants Commission (Fitness of Institutions for Grants) Rules, 1975, the following shall be added :

“provided that if an Institution is established under the scheme of new initiative of the Planning Commission and the Government of India pertaining to new degree colleges to be set-up in educationally backward districts [low GER Districts], only during the XIth Plan period, then the requirement of permanent affiliation to a university declared fit under Section 12(B) of the University Grants Commission Act 1956 [3 of 1956] for receiving grants, shall not be insisted upon for providing one time grant to such an Institution during the XIth plan period only, subject to the satisfaction of the Commission.

provided further that not withstanding the above, an existing Institution not yet declared fit to receive grant under section 12-B of the of the University Grants Commission Act 1956 [3 of 1956], may be provided one time grant under the scheme of new initiative of the Planning Commission and the Government of India, subject to the satisfaction of the Commission , during the XIth plan period only,.

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**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION (FITNESS OF CERTAIN
UNIVERSITIES FOR GRANTS) (1ST AMENDMENT), RULES, 2009**

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April, 2009

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 25 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 read with Section 12B of University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), the Central Government hereby makes the following Rules, to amend the University Grants Commission (Fitness of Certain Universities for Grants) Rules, 1974, namely :-

1. Short Title, Application and Commencement :
 - I. These Rules may be called the University Grants Commission (Fitness of Certain Universities for Grants) [1st Amendment], Rules, 2009.
 - II. They shall apply to every University established after the commencement of the University Grants Commission [Amendment] Act, 1972 [33 of 1972], other than,
 - (i) an agricultural university
 - (ii) a university established against the – advice of the Commission for imparting, exclusively, technological or medical education; and
 - (iii) an institution recognized by the Commission, under the clause (f) of Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), on or after the 17th day of June 1972, the date on which the

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University Grants Commission (Amendment) Act, 1972(33 of 1972) came into force.

III. They shall come into force with effect from the date of their publication in the Gazette of India.

2. In Rules 2 of the University Grants Commission (Fitness of Certain Universities for Grants) Rules, 1974, the following proviso shall be added :

“provided that if a University comes into existence including on account of bifurcation of an existing university under the scheme of new initiative of the Planning Commission and the Government of India, during the XIth Plan period only, then the conditions as provided in Rule 2 may not be insisted upon for the purposes of providing one time grant during the XIth Plan period only, subject to the satisfaction of the Commission, in accordance with the guidelines to be framed by the Commission in this regard.

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