

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI-110 002

MINUTES OF THE 562ND MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
HELD ON 28TH OCTOBER, 2022.

The 562nd Meeting of the Commission was held on 28th October, 2022 in which the following were present:

1. Prof. Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar	Chairman
2. Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava	Vice-Chairman
3. Shri K. Sanjay Murthy	Member
4. Shri Vineet Joshi	Member
5. Prof. (Ms.) Sushma Yadav	Member
6. Prof. E. Suresh Kumar	Member
7. Prof. M.K. Sridhar	Member
8. Dr. Shivaraj	Member

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting:

Secretary

Prof. Rajnish Jain

Special Invitee

- Prof.M.P.Poonia, Vice-Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi.
- Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi.

SECTION-1

- 1.01(a)(i)** To confirm the minutes of the 561st meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 22nd September, 2022.

The minutes of the 561st meeting were confirmed with the following amendments in Item No. 2.01 & Item No. 2.15 :

Item No. 2.01:

As the library cadre is already covered under “UGC Regulations on Minimum Qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic staff in universities and colleges and other measures for maintenance of standard in Higher Education, 2018” , the Commission resolved that –

“The Library Cadre is excluded from Model CRRs for non-teaching staff.”

[Action: JS(JCRC)]

Item No. 2.15:

The Commission resolved that –

“The OC/RC requirements should be fulfilled by 31st December 2023 or as notified by the Commission from time to time.”

[Action: JS(PS)]

The Commission authorised the Chairman, UGC to finalize the amendments

- Following amendment is also done in Item No.2.02 of 559th Meeting of the Commission:

Item No.2.02 of 559th Meeting:

“NAAC accreditation is mandatory for Higher Education Institutions to become eligible for recognition under section 12B of UGC Act, 1956 and the HEIs which have already been given 12B status, may be given maximum of Five Years to obtain NAAC accreditation to retain their recognition under 12B of UGC Act, 1956.” The Commission further resolved that –

“This decision will be applicable on the proposals received on or after the date of the Commission’s decision i.e. 13th June, 2022. The proposals received prior to this date will be governed by the earlier 12B Rules.”

[Action: JS(CPP-II)]

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- 1.01(a)(ii)** To confirm the minutes of the University Grants Commission (by e-circulation on October 7, 2022)

The minutes were confirmed.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

- 1.01(b)(i)** To receive the action taken on the Minutes of the 561st meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 22nd September, 2022.

Noted.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

- 1.01(b)(ii)** To receive the action taken on the Minutes of the Meeting of the University Grants Commission (by e-circulation on October 7, 2022).

Noted.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

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

- (i) To report the recommendations of the Expert Committee constituted by the Commission with regard to approval of institutions under Section 2(f), Section 12 B and compliance under Section 13 of the UGC Act, 1956.

Ratified.

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

- (ii) To ratify the recognition and entitlement related decisions taken with the approval of the Competent Authority for Open and Distance Learning (ODL) and Online Programmes for the academic session September, 2022 (revised from July-August, 2022).

Ratified.

[Action: JS(DEB)]

- (iii) To report the change made in the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022.

Ratified.

[Action: JS(QIP)]

1.02 (b) To receive the items for information. **(No item)**

1.03 To receive the position of funds of UGC and related issues. **(No item)**

SECTION-2

(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider amendment in UGC (Categorization of Universities (only) for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018 in view of new UGC (ODL Programmes & Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(CPP-II)]

2.02 To consider the report of the UGC Committee of Experts constituted to examine the issues relating to the Sponsoring Society of Jamia Hamdard (Deemed to be University), New Delhi in the light of UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2019.

The Commission considered the report dated 20.01.2022 of the Committee constituted to examine issues relating to Jamia Hamdard (Deemed to be University), New Delhi and observed that the Committee has pointed out major deficiencies in the institutional governance structure of the Institution Deemed to be University. These deficiencies show that Jamia Hamdard is in violation of the provisions of the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2019. While taking a serious view of the matter, the Commission resolved as under:

- (i) Jamia Hamdard should rectify the deficiencies pointed out by the UGC Committee (which has examined issues related to the sponsoring society) and submit a compliance report to UGC.**
- (ii) Jamia Hamdard is yet to take concrete steps to implement the suggestions given by the UGC Fact Finding Committee which had submitted its report in February, 2021. The Institution Deemed to be University needs to take immediate steps in this regard as well and must submit a compliance report to UGC.**
- (iii) Until Jamia Hamdard rectifies all the deficiencies identified by the UGC Committee relating to the governance of the Institution Deemed to be University, as well as those identified by the UGC Fact Finding Committee and compliance of UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2019, UGC shall withhold all grants to Jamia Hamdard with immediate effect.**

[Action: JS(CPP-/DU)]

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- 2.03 To consider the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to consider the de-novo aspect of the application received for Deemed to be University status under De-Novo category in the name of Dr. Bharathi Rao's St. Mary's Advanced Comprehensive Rehabilitation Deemed to be University, Deshmukhi(V), Pochampally(M), Yadadri Bhuvanagiri Distt., Telengana under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

Considered and approved.

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

- 2.04 उच्चतर शिक्षण संस्थानों में भारतीय भाषाओं को बढ़ावा देना.

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- 2.05 To consider the Report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the performance and functioning of the Sam Higginbottom Institute of Agriculture & Sciences, (Deemed to be University), (SHIATS) Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh as deemed to be university under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 and in compliance with the Order and Judgment dated 03.11.2017 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the matter Orissa Lift Irrigation Corpn. Ltd. vs. Rabi Shankar Patro & Ors.

The Commission considered the report dated 04th September, 2021 of the Committee constituted to review the performance and functioning of the Sam Higginbottom Institute of Agriculture & Sciences, (Deemed to be University), (SHIATS) Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh as deemed to be university. The Commission observed that SHIATS has already been declared as a State Private University by the Act of the State legislature of Uttar Pradesh. Keeping in view the above, the Commission resolved as under:

- (i) **SHIATS may be asked to submit compliance in respect of the suggestions given by the UGC/AICTE Expert Committee.**
- (ii) **It was resolved to forward the report of the Expert Committee to Ministry of Education (MoE) to take a decision regarding 'No Objection Certificate' (NoC) to Sam Higginbottom Institute of Agriculture & Sciences, (Deemed to be University), subject to fulfilment of DTBU Regulations and De-notify SHIATS as DTBU.**

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

2.06 To re-consider the decision of Commission on the matter of audit observation captioned "Excess payment and undue financial benefit to Dr. Neelima Mondal, Associate Professor of Jawaharlal Nehru University.

- **Considered and agreed with the decision of the Ministry of Education (MoE) conveyed vide letter No. 5-8/2017-CU.II dated 14th July, 2022 and 7th October, 2022.**
- **It was further resolved that Jawaharlal Nehru University should be informed accordingly.**

[Action: JS(CU)]

SECTION-3

(REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)

(There is no item in this section)

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SECTION-4

(SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)

4.01 To consider the revised cost for construction of laboratory building of UGC-DAE, CSR at Kolkata.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(IUC)]

SECTION-5

(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

(There is no item in this section)

SECTION-6

(MISCELLANEOUS)

6.01 To consider certain establishment matters of UGC

Recorded Separately.

SECTION-7

(ANY OTHER ITEM)

7.01 To consider draft UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2022.

- **Considered and approved the draft regulations.**
- **It was resolved to place the draft regulations in public domain for stakeholder's comments.**
- **The Commission authorised the Chairman, UGC to finalize the regulations.**

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

7.02 Secretary, Higher Education, MoE suggested to encourage HEIs for taking initiatives regarding Hon'ble Prime Minister's call for Panch Pran and LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment) Movement.

[Action: JS(CPP-II)]

**(Prof. Rajnish Jain)
Secretary**

**(Prof Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar)
Chairman**