

**Annexure-II**

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

Proforma for submission of Expert Committee Report: State Private University**Part – I - Preliminary**

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(ii)	Date(s) of the visit	11 th – 12 th June 2022
(iii)	Any other information (Non-participation of members, any special factor or situation/ difficulties relevant to the report	Prof. (Ms) Neelam Mittal could not attend

Part – II - Introduction

(i)	Brief introduction of the University (refer 1.1 of the format)	Karnavati University, 907/A Uvarsad, Gandhinagar – 382422, Gujarat is established by Gujarat Act (No. 10 of 2017). The Notification No. is GH/SH/12/EPU/2017/10/KH1 dated 31.03.2017. The University is promoted by Karnavati Medical & Educational Trust.																				
(ii)	Date of establishment of the University (refer 1.4 of the format)	March 31, 2017																				
(iii)	Brief description of the University and its faculties/courses																					
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			PG	Master of Dental Surgery in Prosthodontics and Crown & Bridge
				Master of Dental Surgery in Periodontology
				Master of Dental Surgery in Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopedics
				Master of Dental Surgery in Conservative Dentistry & Endodontics
				Master of Dental Surgery in Pedodontics and Preventive Dentistry
				Master of Dental Surgery in Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery
	3	School of Law	Ph.D.	
			UG	Five Years Integrated BBA, LL.B. (Hons.) program
	4	School of Management	Ph.D.	
			UG	Bachelor of Business Administration (Hons.)
			Diploma	Post Graduate Diploma in Management
	5	School of Design	Ph.D.	
			UG	Bachelor of Design in Product Design
				Bachelor of Design in Lifestyle Accessory Design
				Bachelor of Design in Visual Communication (Graphics)
				Bachelor of Design in Animation and Motion Graphics
				Bachelor of Design in Fashion Design
				Bachelor of Design in Interior & Furniture Design
				Bachelor of Design in Automobile & Transportation Design
				Bachelor of Design in Interaction Design
			PG	Master of Design in Industrial Design
				Master of Design in Visual Experiential Design
				Master of Design in Fashion Design
				Master of Design in Interior & Experience Design
				Five Years Integrated Master of Design
	6	School of Computational Intelligence	UG	Bachelor of Science (Hons.) in Computer Science
				Bachelor of Science (Hons.) in Data Science
				Bachelor of Science (Hons.) in Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning
				Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering
				Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science and Engineering with specialization in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning







(iv)	Brief description of the Trust/Society that governs the University	The University is promoted by Karnavati Medical & Educational Trust. As per the trust deed Shri Ritesh Hada is the Managing Trustee and other trustees are Shri Vinod Mittal, Shri Nilesh Hada, Shri Deepak Goel, Shri Naresh Mittal, Shri Somesh Mittal. The Trust is running total 06 constituent colleges of Karnavati University in the state of Gujarat and also running Singapore International School in Mumbai and SIS Prep School in Ahmedabad.
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Part – III – Summary Report

A. Legal Status

(i)	Is the University duly established under the law and as required in the UGC Regulations? (refer 1.10 and 1.11 of the format)	Yes. Karnavati University is established by Gujarat Act (No. 10 of 2017). The Notification No. is GH/SH/12/EPU/2017/10/KH1 dated 31.03.2017.
(ii)	Is the Trust/Society involved in promoting the University sufficiently focussed on educational activities and independent of their business or any other interest, if any?	The promoting Trust - Karnavati Medical & Educational Trust is primarily focussing on educational activities and running 06 educational institutions as constituent colleges of Karnavati University. Apart from educational activities, there are no other business activities or interests.

B. Organization Description

(i)	Does the University abide by UGC Regulations on off-campus centres Yes No Not applicable (refer 2.4 of the format)	No off-campus centre(s) established.
(ii)	Does the University abide by UGC Regulations on off-Shore campus centres Yes No Not applicable (refer 2.5 of the format)	No off-shore campus(es) established.







(iii)	Does the University offer courses under distance mode with the approval of competent authority of the Government of India? Yes No Not applicable (refer 2.6 and 2.7 of the format)	Not offering courses under distance mode/ on-line mode.
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C. Academic Activities

(i)	Are the courses offered by the University narrowly focussed or adequately diverse?	The courses offered by the University at present are adequately diverse. The University is offering courses in the field of Dentistry, Design, Liberal Arts & Mass Communication, Computational Intelligence, Commerce, Management and Law.
(ii)	Are the list of courses for the award of degree as per the Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956?	Yes. The Degrees offered by the University are specified by the UGC section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956.
(iii)	Is the sanctioned intake is as per the norms/intake sanctioned by the concerned Statutory Council(s)/UGC?	Yes. The sanctioned intake is as per the ordinance passed in Gazette Notification of State Government/relevant Statutory Council(s).
(iv)	Whether courses run are approved by concerned Statutory Council(s)?	Approval of DCI is obtained for BDS and MDS Approval of BCI is obtained for Five Years Integrated BBA, LL.B. (Hons.) Approval of AICTE is not obtained for Btech Computer science
(v)	Are there adequate support facilities for students, especially for disadvantaged students? (refer 4.5 of format)	Yes. The following support facilities are available: ➤ Counselling facilities ➤ Merit Scholarship ➤ Remedial classes ➤ Scholarships ➤ Soft Skills development courses ➤ Hostel facilities ➤ Sports facilities ➤ Extension activities ➤ Lifts, ramps, customised washrooms
(vi)	Are the students adequately informed? (refer 4.7 and 4.8 of the format)	Yes. The prospective students are informed about the criteria for admission, rules & regulations, facilities available etc. through the following: 1. Newspaper Advertisement 2. Online

		3. Prospectus 4. Seminars 5. Counselling during personal visit by prospective candidates
(vii)	Is there a Grievance Redressal Mechanism and is that working properly? (refer 4.9 of the format)	A Grievance Redressal Committee has been constituted. Apart from this Committee, Internal Complaints Committee, Anti Ragging Committee and Squad are also constituted.
(viii)	Is the University following proper procedure for formulation and revision of curriculum on periodic basis? (refer 5.1 to 5.4 of the format)	Board of Studies of the respective Departments designs syllabus which is then approved by respective Faculties & further approved by Academic Council of the University. The Board of Studies for each discipline/department proposes the revision of curriculum to the Academic Council for approval. The curriculum is regularly reviewed/revised by the BOS which is approved by the Faculty and further approved by the Academic Council The curriculum was revised in 2021 for B.B. A. (Hons.) and M. Design in Fashion Design. All the courses offered by the University are started with the approval of the statutory bodies of the University.
(ix)	How regular, fair and transparent is the examination system? (refer 5.7 to 5.14)	The examination system is regular, fair and transparent. The examination system for courses under statutory bodies is in accordance with their norms. For other courses, combination of internal and external assessment is adopted depending upon the program. Continuous internal evaluation system is followed. CBCS is adopted. The University follows evaluation through Internal as well as External Examiners. The University has a mix of both Internal and External Examiners with panel of experts shortlisted on the basis of qualifications and experience.

D. Admission Process

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(i)	Does the University follow fair and transparent procedure for admission? (refer 6.1 and 6.7 of the format)	Applications are invited off-line and on-line. The applications are scrutinized by the Admission Committee. Students are selected on the basis of merit of the qualifying examination and performance in entrance test and personal interview. The admission system is transparent.
(ii)	Do any special reservation on quota follow clearly laid down policy?	Being a self-financing Private University, reservation policy is not followed. However, relaxation in admission criteria is provided as per relevant statutory council(s) norms.

E. Fee Structure

(i)	Are the students sufficiently informed about the fees and charges payable?	The fee structure is displayed on the University website.
(ii)	Does the University follow its own declared policy in collecting any fees or charges or are there some charges over and above the publicly stated fee structure?	Fee charged as per the Fee Structure displayed on the University website and the prospectus. There are no hidden charges.
(iii)	Is the mode of fees collection transparent or are there complaints of payments without receipts?	University follows transparent fee collection and refund system. No complaint from the stake holders during interaction. University is adopting all possible modes of fees collection transparently such as Digital Payment (Online Payment), EDC, UPI, Cheque and Demand Draft etc.
(iv)	Are the fees reasonable compared to costs involved in running the programmes and to other similar institutions?	The fees structure is reasonable and comparable to other state private Universities of Gujarat. The fee is moderate.
(v)	Is the fee structure based on a policy or guidelines laid down by the Government?	Yes. The fee structure is based on guidelines laid down by the Government. For the Professional courses, the fee is determined by the Fee Regulatory Committee approved by the State Govt. For other courses, the Fee is decided by the Finance Committee of the University based on the recurring cost incurred for each Course and providing for reasonable margin for growth and development. The Fee, once fixed, remains constant for the students of a particular batch till completion. Based on inflation, the fee is being revised periodically

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		but made applicable prospectively (to the new batch only).
(vi)	Is there any indication of the University being run solely or primarily for commercial gains?	No. There is no indication of the University being run solely or primarily for commercial gains.

F. Faculty

(i)	Does the University follow Pay Scales and service conditions laid down by the UGC?	Although Pay Scales are as per the UGC 06 th CPS
(ii)	Is the faculty well qualified and well trained for the courses? (if required, please make comments separately for each faculty/department)	The qualification of the faculty is adequate as per the norms of UGC/concerned Statutory Council (s)
(iii)	Is the proportion of permanent faculty adequate or is the University being mainly run by deploying contractual faculty /guest faculty/ Part-time faculty?	All the 282 faculty members are recruited on permanent basis. In addition, some guest/ visiting faculty members are engaged as per the requirement of the concerned departments. Currently, there are 08 visiting faculty members.
(iv)	Has the University followed due process for recruitment of faculty?	Yes. The faculty recruitment is done through the process as approved in the ordinances of the University.

G. Infrastructure

(i)	Are the following infrastructure facilities adequate? ➤ Land and Buildings ➤ Class Rooms ➤ Laboratories and equipment ➤ Library ➤ Sports facilities	Yes. The University has approximately 30 acres of land. Sufficient good quality class rooms with modern facilities available Adequate laboratories with good equipment Adequate Library with sufficient learning resources Good indoor and outdoor sports facilities available Teachers residences are available. Adequate Girls and boys hostel is available with all modern facilities.
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	➤ Residential accommodation including hostels	The committee members visited the campus facilities and observed that the University has adequate infrastructure facilities as per UGC/relevant statutory council(s) norms.
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H. Financial Viability

(i)	Does the University have adequate and independent funds?	The University has Rs. 5.00 crores (Endowment submitted to Gujarat State Financial Services Ltd (Wholly Owned By Govt Of Gujarat). In addition to the income generated by the University, the promoting Trust is investing in developing infrastructure.
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I. Governance System

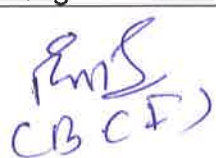
(i)	Are various authorities and bodies responsible for the governance of the University in place and working regularly and properly?	All the bodies as required under the Act/ Statutes have been constituted. The meetings are held regularly. Various authorities such as VC, Registrar, Finance Officer, Controller of Examination have been appointed.
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J. Research Profile

(i)	How would you rate the research profile of the University in terms of Research orientation, environment, facilities and output? (please give comments separately on faculties and departments)	University is in its early stages. Although teachers have published 80 publications since 2017. However all publication are published in SCOPUS/Web of Science Indexed Journals. Some research proposals have been submitted to state government. Five Patents are filed till date. Research labs have been established. Systematic promotion is required for research, in future.
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K. Miscellaneous

(i)	Is the Non-teaching staff adequate, well qualified and paid as per the norms of the concerned State Government?	Non-teaching staff is adequate. They are qualified and paid as per the norms of the University.
(ii)	Do the academic results show evidence of independent and rigorous evaluation prior to the issue of degrees?	The evaluation system was found to be independent and rigorous.

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(iii)	Has the University obtained necessary and desirable accreditations?	The University has applied for NIRF in Management, Law and Dentistry for the year 2022
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L. Strength and Weaknesses of the University

(i)	Strengths of the University	• University is strategically located • Positive reputation in the external community • Positive experience with those who interact with the campus • Quality Academic Programs and Student Services • Diverse student body • Dedicated and Expert faculty • The University has developed 2 Incubation Centres – KIIF and DDTII • Residential Campus Development • Advanced technological facilities in the teaching and learning • Adoption and integration of Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) • The University has installed Solar Panels • The campus is 100% zero wastage campus • The University has good placement record
(ii)	Weaknesses of the University	• Girls Common Room washrooms to be upgraded • The University shall establish Pharmacy Shop in the campus

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Part – IV – Recommendations

A. Observations of the Committee

The Committee visited the administrative area, academic departments, laboratories, central library, faculty libraries, IQAC, examination section, placement cell, auditoriums, sports facilities, hostels, teachers' residences, guest house and other facilities available in the University. The Committee also verified various documents related to the trust, Act/Statutes/Ordinances, land, faculty, governance, student, non-teaching staff, etc. After on the spot visit, interaction with the stakeholders and verification of documents, the Committee observations are as under:-

I. Background of the University

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The University is included in the list of Universities as maintained by the UGC under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956.

II. Courses offered

The University is offering 01 Diploma, 22 UG and 11 PG courses apart from Ph.D. in the field of Engineering & Technology, Computer Science, Management, Dental Surgery, Commerce, Liberal Arts, Mass Communication, Law and Design. PG courses/programmes are offered in Management, Dental Surgery and Design and Ph.D. programme is offered in Management, Law, Dental Surgery and Design.

The total number of students in the University at present (2021) is 4235. Out of these 3891 are at UG level, 240 are at PG level and 104 are at Ph.D. level. 1619 students were admitted during the academic year 2021-22 out of which 639 are boys and 980 are girls.

The curricula are prepared on the basis of the guidelines of UGC/concerned statutory council(s).

III. Infrastructural Facilities

Land & Buildings - The University is situated in a rural area in the outskirts of Gandhinagar city on approximately 30 acres of land. The land is registered in the name of the promoting society. There are 09 buildings for 6 constituent colleges with 89 classrooms, seminar halls, faculty rooms, yoga room, board rooms, tutorial rooms, etc. The classrooms are spacious, well ventilated and having very good furniture. All classrooms are fitted with LCD projectors and internet facilities. The entire campus is Wi-Fi enabled with 100 mbps speed. Other infrastructure includes 02

auditoriums, 01 amphitheater, 01 moot court, guest house, and residences for Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Registrar and teachers. Separate Hostel facilities are available for both boys and girls. The hostel rooms are neat and spacious with all modern amenities and can accommodate 1500 students. First aid facilities are available within the campus. The University is having good transport facilities with 39 vehicles at campus carrying students to the University and back for nominal charges. Power backup is available at the campus. Mess/Canteen facilities are available. The overall infrastructural facilities are very good.

Library – The University has Central library facility of around 7930 Sq. ft. area which is well stocked with 8104 titles, 18959 volumes of books, 600 students' project reports, 98 print journals and magazines, with multimedia facility and library software (KOHA). Forty computers are available for students in the central library. The students have access to various leading online subscriptions like AIR, Heinonline, WGSN, JGate, EBSCO, Manupatra etc. Software to check plagiarism is also available.

Labs and Equipment – The University has fully equipped laboratories in various Departments like Dental Material Lab, Microbiology Lab, ARVR Lab, Audio Visual Room, Block Printing, Robotics, Wacom Lab etc.. Apart from the teaching labs, research labs, incubation center are also available in the campus. All the labs are well equipped and well maintained with necessary supporting staff.

Sports Facilities - The University has both indoor and outdoor sports facilities. Sports grounds/ courts for cricket, football, volleyball, kho-kho, badminton are available. Basketball court is also available. Indoor sports facilities include chess, carrom, table tennis etc. A well-equipped gym is also available within the campus.

IV. Faculty Resources

The total number of faculty available in the University is 290, out of which 44 are with Ph.D. qualifications. There are 290 faculty members (25 Professors, 72 Associate Professors and 154 Assistant Professors) – Total 39 faculty have UG Qualifications. The faculty is as per the norms of the concerned Statutory Council(s) norms in case of the courses covered under these Councils. As far as other courses are concerned, there are few faculty members in Design Department without UGC qualifications. The University to recruit faculty in these Departments with UGC qualifications. Overall, the faculty is adequate, qualified and dedicated.

V. Admission, Fee Structure, Examination and Evaluation

Admissions – Applications are invited off-line and on-line. The applications are scrutinized by the Admission Committee. Students are selected on the basis of merit of the qualifying examination and performance in entrance test and personal interview. The admission system is transparent.

Fee Structure – For the Professional courses, the fee is determined by the Fee Regulatory Committee approved by the State Govt. For other courses, the Fee is decided by the Finance Committee of the University based on the recurring cost incurred for each Course and providing for reasonable margin for growth and development. The Fee, once fixed, remains

constant for the students of a particular batch till completion. Based on inflation, the fee is being revised periodically but made applicable prospectively (to the new batch only).

Examination - The university examination is conducted as per the schedule notified in the Academic calendar, published at the commencement of each academic year. Students are assessed through a continuous evaluation system comprising classroom quizzes, assignments, mini projects, fieldwork, classroom activities, Mid-term and End-term semester examination. Supplementary exams are also conducted for students who have not obtained pass marks in the prior attempts.

Evaluation – The examination system is robust, fair and transparent. The examination systems for courses under statutory bodies are in accordance with their norms. For other courses, combination of internal and external assessment depending upon the program is adopted. Continuous internal evaluation system is followed. CBCS is adopted. The University follows evaluation through Internal as well as External Examiners. The University has the mix of both Internal and External evaluation with a panel of experts shortlisted on the basis of qualifications and experience.

The answer scripts are evaluated through the mechanism of central evaluation. To maintain secrecy of evaluation process the answer scripts are coded before evaluation by the examiner. The role of checker ensures any discrepancy/error during the evaluation. The university also maintains transparency in the process by showing evaluated answer scripts to the students. The examination system is headed by the Controller of Examination. The CoE office has sufficient staff and required infrastructure to hold examinations.

The marksheet and degree have multiple security arrangements. The University has signed an MoU with Digilocker for uploading the degrees. The Committee is satisfied with the examination and evaluation system adopted by the University.

VI. Teaching Learning Methods

Apart from the classroom sessions, the teaching learning methods includes, Case Studies Analysis, Group Discussions, Theoretical Sessions, Seminars, Webinars, Industrial Visits, Field Visits, Workshops, Assignments, Computer aided learning, Lectures by eminent speakers from the industry, Projects Based Learning, Videos related to relevant topics, Presentations by students, Brain storming sessions, Workshops, Corporate Internship, etc.

The classroom teaching is supplemented with Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs). It is mandatory for every student of every first year students to enroll and complete the MOOCs.

The University has implemented Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) curriculum in accordance with UGC norms. The university also provides an opportunity to take up and learn cross functional electives offered. There are Bridge/Remedial courses for the educationally disadvantaged students. The Committee observed that the good teaching learning methods are adopted by the University.



VII. Research Profile

Although the faculty is involved in some research and publication activity, the research profile of the University is in nascent stage. There are 80 publications by the faculty from the inception of the University (March 2017) which includes International Journals, National Journals, International Conferences, National Conferences, Books Chapters. However, all publications are published in SCOPUS/ Web of Science Indexed Journals.

Evidence of some consultancy is also available. There are very few extramural research projects. The faculty is encouraged to attend conferences and publish papers in reputed journals. The university provides financial assistance as a reimbursement of expenses incurred for participation in conferences/seminars/workshops/symposia. Contributions from the faculty are acknowledged in the form of financial incentives and research awards

The University has organized 101 educational programmes like international and national conferences, seminars, symposium etc during last three years. The University has organized reputed events like Youth Parliament of India, India Design Confluence, Ahmedabad Design Week, National Conferences of Dentistry, Module Course on LGBTQ community etc.

The faculty needs to work hard to get extramural projects and consultancy. However, the University is still at its initiation stage and more efforts are required in this regard.

VIII. Co-curricular, Extra-curricular and Extension Activities

The activities are - Seminars, Webinar, legal aid center in its campus, awareness programs on tobacco cessation, suicide prevention, and de-addiction. Other activities include annual sports, annual function, participation in inter University sports, cultural activities. The University also has CSR wing by the name of Heal the World Foundation, a foundation which is guided by the University and run by the students. An initiative aimed at the holistic development of students.

IX. Best Practices

(i) KU has its best practices by the way of following academic initiatives –

- Offering of MOOCs and complementary access to 'Coursera' (a global edutech platform),
- Simulations based learning,
- apprenticeship based internship,
- Experiential learning,
- International summer school,
- Social immersion and
- Acquisition of professional certificates.


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- (ii) The University has taken steps to implement NEP 2020. The University has registered itself for Academic Bank of Credits and uploaded Degree Certificates of all students on Digilocker portal.
- (iii) The University offers Merit Based Scholarship
- (iv) The University has diverse programs. The University has invested in Advanced Lab and Equipment.
- (v) The University has social initiative wing by the name of 'Heal the World Foundation' which does various social activities in nearby village
- (vi) The University has sewage treatment plant for waste disposal.
- (vii) The University in association with Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) has established 04 Dental centres in Ahmedabad which is run as a "Public Private Partnership Project". The University has also established Legal-Aid centre which provides free legal services to the residents of nearby villages.

X. Facilities for Faculty and Students

Faculty Members - Faculty room, desktop, laptop, internet facilities, transport facilities, accommodation, mess, first aid facility, etc. A 50% fee discount is given to faculty members pursuing Ph.D. in-house. In addition, cash prize and awards for research, financial support in every semester to attend national and international conferences, sponsorship to the faculty for pursuing higher studies and Internet & Communication Facility are provided. A free laptop policy is also available.

Facilities for Students include support facilities for disadvantaged students like elevators are conveniently located across the premises of the university and ramp access and disadvantaged students' rest rooms are in place. The university provides monthly attendance report to parents through active functioning of ERP software. Annual calendar and course text books are available for students in the library. The university provides transport facilities to students at affordable cost. The Committee is satisfied with the facilities available for teachers and students. Although, the placement is fine but average annual package is moderate.

XI. Interactions

The Committee interacted with the faculty members, students, alumni and non-teaching staff. As examinations were concluded in the month of May 2022, the students of the University proceeded on 'Summer Vacation'. Therefore, the Committee decided to interact with few students through video conferencing.

During the interaction, it was found that the faculty members, students and non-teaching staff was satisfied with the facilities provided to them by the management. The students were satisfied with the quality of teachers & academic environment and informed that the teachers are very helpful.

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Some of the suggestions given by the students are incorporated in the suggestions of the Committee.

XII. Leadership and Governance

The University is promoted by Karnavati Medical & Educational Trust. This trust is successfully running 06 constituent colleges through Karnavati University. Hence, the promoters are experienced in running educational institutions. The University has constituted various statutory bodies such as Governing Body, Board of Management, Finance Committee, Academic Council and Board of Studies. Regular meetings are conducted. Some nominations in the above bodies are awaited. The University has to ensure that the constitution is in accordance with the ordinances of the University and meetings are also conducted as per the schedule given in the ordinances. The University has constituted various committees such as academic committee, sports committee, cultural committee, editorial and media committee, disciplinary committee, hostel and mess committee, women cell, anti-ragging committee, anti-ragging squad, infrastructure committee, IT committee, research committee, library committee, entrepreneurship cell, internal complaint committee. The University has appointed Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, Chief Accounts Officer, Assistant Controller of Examination, Deans and HoDs.

The Committee observed that the promoters of the University are supportive and pro-active.

XIII. Financial Status

The main source of income is fee from students. Apart from this, the University has Rs. 5.00 crores (Endowment submitted to GUJARAT STATE FINANCIAL SERVICES LTD (WHOLLY OWNED BY GOVT OF GUJARAT). In addition to the income generated by the University, the promoting Trust is investing in developing infrastructure. The deficit in the University fund is borne by the promoting trust. The University is financially sound which is evident from its income-expenditure statement and audited statements for the last three years.

B. Suggestions of the Committee which require satisfactory compliance by the University

Alumni interactions should be increased

e resources should be enhanced

Enhanced Interdisciplinary and collaborative research should be promoted

More left handed dental chair may be added

More external academic expert should be included in the BOS

C. Final Recommendations

The Committee visited the administrative area, class rooms, central libraries, laboratories, workshops, moot court, sports facilities, residences, seminar halls, auditorium, hostels and other facilities available in the Karnavati University. The Committee interacted with the faculty, students, alumni and non-teaching staff of the University and also verified various records

After on the spot visit, interaction with stakeholders and verification of records, the Committee observed that **Karnavati University, Uvarsad, Gandhinagar** is providing higher education to the students and primarily offering various programs. In a short span of time, the University has progressed in terms of building infrastructure and other facilities. The University is offering diverse courses/programmes (UG/PG/Ph.D) in accordance with the norms and standards prescribed by UGC and other concerned Statutory Council(s). The Committee is satisfied with the progress made so far by the University and in a short span of time. UGC may take further action on this report as per its norms.

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