

**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION  
BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG  
NEW DELHI-110 002**

**MINUTES OF THE 505<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION HELD  
ON 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2014.**

The 505<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Commission was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2014 in which the following were present:

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| 1. Prof. Ved Prakash                | Chairman |
| 2. Shri Satya N. Mohanty            | Member   |
| 3. Prof. M.M. Ansari                | Member   |
| 4. Prof. Sanjay Govind Dhande       | Member   |
| 5. Prof. Mohammad Miyan             | Member   |
| 6. Dr. K.N. Shanti                  | Member   |
| 7. Shri Patanjali (Patu) G. Keswani | Member   |

Prof. H. Devaraj, Vice-Chairman, UGC and Prof. D.N. Reddy could not attend the meeting due to pre-occupation and were granted leave of absence.

Shri Subhash Chand, Director (EC), Department of Expenditure attended on behalf of the Ministry of Finance, Government of India

The following officers of the UGC also attended the meeting.

**Secretary**

Prof. (Dr.) Jaspal Singh Sandhu

While welcoming the Members of the Commission to the 505<sup>th</sup> meeting of Commission, the Chairman apprised the Members that the MHRD and the UGC had jointly convened the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors of all the Central Universities on December 4, 2014 at Vigyan Bhawan. He informed that the purpose of this meeting was to make necessary preparations for the Review Meeting to be taken by the Visitor in February, 2015. He also informed that all the Central Universities have been advised to switch over to Choice Based Credit System from the ensuing academic session. The Chairman also shared the brochure on the proposed Inter University Centre for Teacher Education to be inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 25<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 at Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, with the Members of the Commission; for which the approval of the Commission was sought through circulation.

**SECTION-1**

- 1.01(a) (i)** To confirm the minutes of the 504<sup>th</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014.

**Noted and Confirmed.**

**[Action : JS (Admn.) ]**

- 1.01(a) (ii)** To confirm the minutes of Items that were approved by the Commission through circulation:

**(A)** In order to remove the anomaly in clause 6.2(3) of the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010, an Agenda Item was sent through circulation to all the Members of the Commission for their consideration on 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2014. The gist of the Item placed before the Commission is as under:

To amend the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010 by removing the phrase *'the senior most Dean or if there is no Dean'* from the clause of 6.2(3) of the said Regulations.

After incorporating the amendments, Clause 6.2(3) of the Regulations would read as under:

*"In case of the office of the Vice-chancellor becoming vacant due to death, resignation or otherwise and in case of his / her absence due to illness or any other cause, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, and in his / her absence, the senior most Professor shall perform the duties of the Vice-Chancellor, until a new Vice-Chancellor is appointed, or the existing Vice-Chancellor resumes duties, as the case may be."*

**Based on the concurrence received from majority of the Members, communication was sent to the MHRD seeking their approval for the amendment in the said Regulations so that the same can be notified in the Gazette of India.**

**Noted and approved.**

**[Action : JS (Admn.) ]**

**(B)** Government of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education vide its order No. F.4-90/2012-U1 dated 15.12.2014 issued directions to the UGC under section 20(1) of the UGC Act, 1956, *to take necessary action to establish an Inter University Centre on Teacher Education ... in Banaras Hindu University at Varanasi to give impetus to Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers Training"*

In compliance, an Agenda Item was circulated on 15.12.2014 to all the Members of the Commission.

**Based on the concurrence received from majority of the Members, the setting up of IUC-TE at Varanasi was approved with a budgetary requirement of Rs.56 crore (Non-recurring) and Rs.8.32 crore (Recurring) per annum. MoA of the IUC was also approved for the purpose of registration under Society Registration Act, 1860, or under the relevant Act of the State Government in whose jurisdiction the institution is located.**

**Noted and Confirmed.**

**[Action : JS (Admn.) ]**

**1.01(b)(i)** To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 504<sup>th</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2014.

**Noted and Confirmed.**

**In addition, Prof. J.S. Sandhu, Secretary, UGC informed the Commission that in compliance of the Orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the inspection of seven Deemed to be Universities has been completed and that the Reports of the Inspection Committee would be presented before the Commission in the forthcoming meeting.**

**[Action : JS (Admn.) ]**

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

(i) To report the inclusion of 141 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.08.2014 to 30.11.2014 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

**Noted and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (Admn.) ]**

(ii) To report the enhancement of amount of fellowship/scholarship w.e.f. 01.12.2014 in schemes of the UGC

**Noted and Approved. The Commission resolved that as Swami Vivekananda Single Girl Child Scholarship for research in Social**

**Sciences may also be made at par with other fellowships awarded for pursuing Ph.D. program.**

**[Action : DS (SA) ]**

**SECTION-2  
(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)**

**2.01** To consider the draft amendment of “UGC Regulations on curbing the menace of RAGGING in Higher Educational Institutions, 3<sup>rd</sup> Amendment, 2014

**Considered and Approved. The Commission also resolved that since the Raghavan Committee is working for several years it may be requested to look into the issue in its entirety and suggest a way forward.**

**[Action : JS (ARC) ]**

**2.02** To consider the proposal to retain the internal receipts with the Central Universities to cover up the short-fall of non-salary component under Non-Plan Grant till the appropriate allocation is made by MHRD under non-salary components to meet out the short-fall under non-salary expenditure (Non-Plan).

**Considered and Approved. However, the Commission resolved that the internal receipts may also be got audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India.**

**[Action : JS (CU) ]**

**2.03** To consider the strategy for continuation of recognition to Universities/Institutions offering programmes through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode for the academic session 2015-16.

**Considered and Approved the status quo.**

**[Action : JS (DEB) ]**

**2.04** To consider the matter of the Delhi/BHU Colleges affiliated to University of Delhi/BHU who have not applied for NAAC status by 01/06/2014 may be

given relaxation up to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2015 for releasing the grant to Delhi/BHU Colleges under plan and non-plan schemes of UGC.

**Considered and it was decided to give relaxation to all Universities / Colleges to apply for NAAC accreditation upto 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2015.**

**[Action : JS (CU)/ JS(CPP-II) & DS (DC & SU) ]**

**2.05** To consider the XII Plan guidelines for instituting awards in Central Universities for exceptional performance in research.

**Withdrawn.**

**[Action : JS (CU) ]**

**2.06** To consider amendment in the clause 7.3.0 of UGC Regulations, 2010 regarding composition of Selection-cum-Search Committee for deemed to be Universities for selection of Vice-Chancellor.

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (PS) ]**

**SECTION-3  
(REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)**

**(There was no item)**

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

**4.01** To consider inclusion of a Chair in the name of Sri Aurobindo in the existing guidelines for UGC Chair in Universities during XII Plan.

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (SU) ]**

**4.02** To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee on “Universities with Potential for Excellence” (UPE) held on 17.11.2014.

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (PE) ]**

**4.03** To consider the revised 12<sup>th</sup> Plan Guidelines under the scheme “Regional Centre for Capacity Building” (RCCB) & “Human Resource Development Centres” (HRDCs).

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : DS (ASC) ]**

**4.04** To approve the XII Plan guidelines of the scheme ‘Epoch Making Social Thinker of India’.

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (NFE) ]**

**4.05** To consider collaboration of Bhasha with M. S. University of Baroda for promotion of indigenous languages.

**Considered and Approved. The Commission resolved that the funding should be given only to M.S. University of Baroda.**

**[Action : JS (CPP-II) ]**

**4.06** To consider the Amendments in the Guidelines for Knowledge Upgradation centers for Skilled Human Action and Learning (KAUSHAL)

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (NSQF) ]**

**4.07** To consider the UGC (Revised) Guidelines for Community Colleges.

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (NSQF) ]**

**4.08** To consider the guidelines for Curricular Aspects, Assessment Criteria, and Credit System in Skill based Vocational Courses under NSQF.

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (NSQF) ]**

**4.09** To consider the implementation of National Innovation Scholarship Scheme

**Withdrawn.**

**[Action : DS (SA) ]**

## **SECTION-5**

### **(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)**

**5.01** To consider the extension of period by 5 yrs. (from 2014-2019) for the Centres of Nano-Science, Nano-Technology/Bio-Medical, Nano-Technology of University of Mumbai, University of Calcutta and University of Madras respectively which were allocated Special Grant of Rs.100 crore each for celebration of 150 years of their existence.

**Considered and Approved that extension will be given for a period of one year.**

**[Action : DS (SU) ]**

**5.02** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited **Dr. Shakuntala Misra National Rehabilitation University (State University), Mohaan Road, Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)** on **29-30<sup>th</sup> November** for inclusion under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956. **(P.55-87)**

**Considered and Approved.**

**[Action : JS (CPP-I) ]**

**AGENDA**  
**SECTION-6**  
**(MISCELLANEOUS)**

**6.01**      **To consider certain establishment matter of University Grants Commission**

**Recorded separately.**

**6.01 (b)**      **To ratify the certain establishment matters of University Grants Commission.**

**Recorded separately.**

**(JASPAL SINGH SANDHU)**  
**SECRETARY**

**(VED PRAKASH)**  
**CHAIRMAN**