



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
NEW DELHI

Minutes of the 49th meeting of the empowered committee on Basic Scientific Research held on 27th March, 2012 at 11:00 am in UGC Office, New Delhi.

The 49th meeting of the Empowered Committee on Basic Scientific Research was held on **27th March, 2012 at 11:00** in UGC Office, New Delhi. List of participants is at **ANNEXURE - I**.

At the outset Prof. M.M. Sharma, Chairman of the Committee welcomed all the members to the 49th Meeting of the Empowered Committee.

There after the Agenda was taken up for discussion.

Item No.1:- Confirmation of the Minutes of the 48th meeting held on 23rd February, 2012 at UGC Office, New Delhi.

The minutes of the 48th meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 23rd February, 2012 at UGC, New Delhi were confirmed.

Item No.2:- Action taken on the Minutes.

The Committee noted with satisfaction the action taken by the UGC on the minutes of the 48th meeting of Empowered Committee.

Item No.3:- Discussions with Prof. R.P. Gandhi, National Coordinator, and Prof. Sudesh Nangia, Associate Coordinator, regarding Faculty Recharge Programme.

The Committee took note of interviews, conducted through personal appearance of candidates, for faculty positions in the discipline of Physics, during 21st - to - 24th March, 2012, and accorded its approval for the Programme to go ahead with interviews, by video-conference, of candidates (who are abroad). These conferences

are slated for 23rd & 24th April, 2012.

The Empowered Committee approved the recommendation of the Programme in regard to establishment of a video- conferencing Facility at its Office at JNU. The Chairman- UGC expressed his desire that the Faculty Recharge Programme assists in the development of a similar Facility at the main UGC office at Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg.

ItemNo.4.- Discussions with Prof. Dilip Joag Associate Co-ordinator for “Dr.D.S. Kothari Post-Doctoral-Fellowships” Scheme.

Prof. D.S. Joag, Associate Coordinator, DSKPDF submitted the 33rd list of selected candidates (Annexure-II) and 19th list of unsuccessful candidates (Annexure-III) for Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowship, which was approved by the Empowered Committee.

As per DOPT instructions Empowered Committee recommended extent of age relaxation for OBC candidates 3 years and for persons with disabilities 10 years.

The Empowered Committee recommended that the tenure of Prof. D.S. Joag, Associate Co-ordinator, DSKPDF Cell may be extended for a period of one year w.e.f. 1st June,2012 to May 31, 2013.

The Committee further recommended that the contingency grant of Rs.50,000/- p.a. for Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowship may be enhanced to Rs.1,00,000/- p.a. w.e.f. 1st April, 2012.

Item No.5:- Discussion on the Rules, Terms & Conditions and draft Tripartite MoA prepared by the Sub-Committee on Faculty Recharge Programme.

The Committee held discussions on the Rules, Terms & Conditions

and draft Tripartite MoA prepared by the Sub-Committee on Faculty Recharge Programme. It was decided to further discuss & deliberate it in the next meeting of the Empowered Committee scheduled to be held on April, 27, 2012.

Item No.7:- Recommendations of Prof. S.P. Thyagarajan on the proposals received from CPE Colleges for additional grant.

The Empowered Committee recommended the following 8 CPE Colleges, out of 14 Colleges for additional grant of Rs.40.00 lakhs for infrastructure development under BSR Scheme at the level of CPE. The other Six Colleges may be requested to submit the Documents as per recommendation as at **Annexure – III**.

1. Mount Carmel College, Bangalore (Karnataka)*
2. K.R.T. Arts, D.H. Commerce and A.M. Science College, Nashik (M.S.)*
3. SDM College, Karnataka
4. Moolji Jaitha College, Maharashtra
5. S.S. Jain Subodh P.G. College, Jaipur *
6. Goswami Ganesh Dutta Sanatan Dharma College, Chandigarh
7. B.B.K. DAV College for Women, Punjab*
8. Hans Raj Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Punjab*

*** The additional grant of Rs.40.00 will be released after receipt of Utilization Certificate for the 3rd Installment.**

Item No.8:- List of the Candidates for “Start-Up-Grant for Newly recruited Faculty”.

The Empowered Committee emphasized that the following points must be taken into consideration while selecting the candidates for “Start-Up-Grant for Newly Recruited Faculty”:-

1. Must have Ph.D.
2. Must be appointed in the preceding year from the launch of the scheme i.e. 17th January, 2012.

Committee also suggested that thereafter the proposals of only those candidates be considered who have applied within one year of their appointment through proper channel.

3. At least two research publication in approved / cited journals of repute.

The Empowered Committee further recommended that Prof. S.P. Thyagarajan may be requested to scrutinize all the proposals received from the newly recruited faculty at the level of Assistant Professor. The recommendation of Prof. S.P. Thyagarajan may be placed before the Empowered Committee in its next meeting scheduled to be held on April 27, 2012.

Item No.9:-- Budget of BSR

The Committee noted with satisfaction the Expenditure status under the Basic Scientific Research Programme.

The Committee further recommended as under:-

1. The Committee recommended that a letter may be sent to the University Departments / Recipient of One Time Grant / CPE Colleges / Autonomous Colleges / NAAC Accredited Colleges that the grant released under BSR scheme may be utilized within 18 months from the date of release of the grant.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Empowered Committee on April 27, 2012 at 1.00 P.M. in the Faculty Recharge Programme

JNU, New Delhi. The meeting will be proceeded by lunch form 12.00 P.M to 1.00 P.M_

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Annexure I

List of Participants who attended the 49th Meeting of the Empowered Committee held on 27th March, 2011 in UGC office New Delhi

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9. Prof. R P Gandhi,
National Coordinator
“Operation Faculty Recharge” Programme
JNU, New Delhi

10. Prof. (Mrs) Sudesh Nangia,
Associate Coordinator
“Operation Faculty Recharge” Programme
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11. Prof. D.S. Joag,
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