

PROFORMA OF SUBMISSION OF EXPERT COMMITTEE REPORT STATE  
PRIVATE UNIVESITIES

**Pat-I-Preliminary**

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2	Date(s) of the visit	26 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> March, 2022



3	Any other information (Non-participation of members, any special factor or situation/ difficulties relevant to the report	Prof. Sita Ram, College of Agriculture, Jodhpur could not participate in the visit.
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### Part - II – Introduction

1	Brief introduction of the University (refer 1.1 of the format)	<p>RNB Global University has been established by Act no. 20 of 2015 passed by the Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha and notified by State of Rajasthan on 27.4.2015. It is located in RNB Global City, Ganga Nagar Road, Bikaner (Rajasthan) 334601. The university is set in the hinterlands of the royal city of Bikaner. The university campus offers a range of undergraduate, postgraduate, integrated courses in different disciplines. The campus has got good infrastructure, air-conditioned buildings, lecture halls, laboratories and are wifi enabled.</p> <p>Presently, the university offers programmes in Commerce &amp; Management, Law, Sciences and Agriculture. There are 44 faculty members working in the university and 290 students are pursuing studies in various programmes.</p>
2	Date of establishment of the University	April 27, 2015
3	Brief description of the University and its faculties/courses	<p>Faculty of Management (B Com., BBA, MBA)</p> <p>Faculty of Law ( BA, BA.LLB , BBA LLB)</p> <p>Faculty of Basic &amp; Applied Sciences, Agriculture (BSc Biotech &amp; Agriculture)</p>
4	Brief description of the Trust / Society that governs the University	<p>Ram Bajaj Foundation Society, Bikaner (Raj) was registered in the year 2010-11, with eight members coming with varied backgrounds like engineering, social work, health and educational. The Ram Bajaj Foundation Society is running RNB Global University only, Bikaner, though very few members of the society are involved in managing RNB</p>

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		Temple Trust also.
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### Part - III – Summary Report

#### A Legal Status

1	Is the University duly established under the law and as required the UGC Regulations? refer 1.10 and 1.11 of the format	RNB Global University, Bikaner is established under the Rajasthan Assembly Act (No 20 of 2015) vide gazette Notification No. F. 2 (20) Vidhi/2/2015, dated April 27, 2015 Copy of the Act attached as <b>Annexure 2.</b>
2	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 society is amply focused in promoting the university. Most of the members of the society are members of the sponsoring society only.

#### B Organization description

1	Does the University abide by UGC Regulations on off-campus centres Yes No Not applicable (refer 2.4 of the format)	The university has no off-campus centres. Certificate in this regard is attached. <b>(Appendix V).</b>
2	Does the University abide by UGC Regulations on off-Shore campus centres Yes No Not applicable (refer 2.5 of the format)	The university has no off-shore campus. Certificate in this regard is attached. <b>(Appendix VI)</b>
3	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)	The university offers no courses under distance mode. Certificate in this regard is attached. <b>(Appendix VII)</b>

#### C Academic Activities

1	Are the courses offered by the University narrowly focussed or adequately diverse?	Diverse courses offered by the university include Management, Commerce, Agriculture, Business Administration, and Law.
2	Are the list of courses for the award of degree as per the	List of the courses offered by the university is enclosed <b>(Appendix IX)</b>

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	Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956?	
3	Is the sanctioned intake is as per the norms/intake sanctioned by the concerned Statutory Council(s)/UGC?	Intake is as per the norms/intake sanctioned by the statutory councils. Overall enrolment in the university is low.
4	Whether courses run are approved by concerned Statutory Council(s)?	Bar Council of India has approved BA LLB, BBA LLB for the year 2020-21. B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture is offered with the approval granted by Govt. of Rajasthan for the year 2020-21.
5	Are there adequate support facilities for students, especially for disadvantaged students? (refer 4.5 of format)	The university provides bridge course for courses like Basic Accountancy, Basic Mathematics, General English, English conversation and Communication etc.
6	Are the students adequately informed? (refer 4.7 and 4.8 of the format)	Students are informed of admission process, rules & regulations, fee structure, facilities available through university website, advertisement in newspapers, and toll free number for any admission related queries etc.
7	Is there a Grievance Redressal Mechanism and is that redressal properly? (refer 4.9 of the format)	An internal complaints committee, women safety cell, SC/ST cell, Anti Ragging Cell are functioning in the university to redress grievances.
8	Is the University following proper procedure for formulation and revision of curriculum on periodic basis? (refer 5.1 to 5.4 of the format)	The university is yet to frame set rules for revising curriculum. However, presently, changes in the curriculum are proposed by departments concerned. With the recommendations of the Board of Studies, the same is placed before Academic Council for consideration and with its recommendation it is sent for approval of Board of Management.
9	How regular, fair and transparent is the examination system? (refer 5.7 to 5.14)	The examination system has both theory and practical based/moot court systems. The university follows continuous internal evaluation system with components such as assignment, class tests, mid-term tests, quizzes, mid-term examination and end-semester examinations. Internal examiners carry out the evaluation of theory papers, while the practical examinations are evaluated with external experts also. Since its inception in 2015 examinations are conducted on time. During the pandemic period, the university managed to conduct classes online and examinations also completed successfully.

#### D Admission Process

1	Does the University follow fair and transparent procedure for Admission? (refer 6.1 and 6.7 of the format)	The university, in addition to its own entrance test, also admit students on the basis of National level entrance tests such as JEE, CAT, MAT, CLAT, JET etc.
2	Do any special reservation on quota follow clearly laid down policy?	The university follows reservation policy of Govt. of Rajasthan.

### E Fee Structure

1	Are the students sufficiently informed about the fees and charges payable?	Course-wise fee structure is available on the university website. Fees, as reported by the university, collected through online mode, demand draft, internet banking, RTGS/NEFT.
2	Does the University follow its own declared policy in collecting any fees or charges or are there some charges over and above the publically stated fee structure?	The Act requires the university to form a fee committee (Clause no. 33) to assess the cost involved in offering various courses in order to fix fee structure.
3	Is the mode of fees collection transparent or are there complaints of payments without receipts?	The committee has not come across any complaint during its interaction with students.
4	Are the fees reasonable compared to costs involved in running the programmes and to other similar institutions?	As the enrolment is low at present, the university follows multiple approach to attract students. Accordingly, the fee charged by the university found reasonable.
5	Is the fee structure based on a policy or guidelines laid down by the Government?	Fee is fixed keeping in mind recommendations of the Fee Committee and other factors such as fee structure of other private universities in the State, sufficient to meet the recurring expenditure of the university etc.
6	Is there any indication of the University being run solely or Primarily for commercial gains?	No such grievance the Committee has come across to indicate so, during its interaction with stakeholders in the two day visit.

G Faculty



1	Does the University follow Pay Scales and service conditions laid down by the UGC?	The university follows the pay scale of 6 <sup>th</sup> CPC.
2	Is the faculty well qualified and well trained for the courses? (if required, please make comments separately for each faculty/Department)	There are 44 faculty members in the university. Among the 44 faculty members, 16 are Ph.D holders.
3	Is the proportion of permanent faculty adequate or is the University being mainly run by deploying contractual faculty /guest faculty/ Part-time faculty?	Permanent faculty members are appointed in adequate number. Of the 44 faculty members, 5 members are on part-time basis.
4	Has the University followed due process for recruitment of faculty?	The composition of selection committee needs to be modified as per the UGC Regulations 2018.

### H Infrastructure

1	Are the following infrastructure Facilities adequate? Land and Buildings Class Rooms Laboratories and equipment Library Sports facilities Residential accommodation including hostels	The university is located in 75 acre area. There are 24 class rooms and 12 laboratories. List of equipment is attached as Appendix XIV. List of sports facilities and library are detailed in Appendix XVI and XV respectively.
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### I Financial viability

1	Does the University have adequate and independent funds?	It is a newly established university. Income from fee is enough to meet the recurring expenditure. The university is supported by the sponsoring society in creating infrastructure and other facilities.
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### J Governance System

1	Are various authorities and bodies responsible for the governance of the University in place and working Regularly and properly?	Board of Management, Finance Committee, Academic Council and Board of Studies are in place and functioning as per the norms.
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### K Research Profile

1	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)	Being a new university research activity in the university is yet to set pace in the domain of research and innovation. However, the university is taking efforts to strengthen research activities in the campus. List of research publication, published by faculty members is enclosed as <b>Annexure 29</b> . There are 28 publications in the last five years. There are three patents (one granted and two published). Details in <b>Annexure 30</b> .
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### L Miscellaneous

1	Is the Nonteaching staff adequate, well qualified and paid as per the norms of the concerned State Government?	Non-teaching staff need to be paid as per the minimum wages Act of the State Government.
2	Do the academic results show evidence of independent and rigorous evaluation prior to the issue of degrees?	Motivated teachers and good infrastructure in the campus indicate the maintenance of good academic standards in the university.
3	Has the University obtained necessary and desirable accreditations?	Not yet. As two batches have come out now, the University is preparing to go for accreditation.

### M Strength and Weaknesses of the University

1	Strengths of the University	<p>The idea to establish a university in an arid zone like Bikaner so as to expose the students of this educationally not so developed area to a quality education.</p> <p>The campus spread across 75 acres of land near the city of Bikaner with good infrastructure with the objective of developing in to a green campus in the future.</p> <p>Class rooms and lecture halls have a modernistic look. All class rooms are designed in such a way to ensure constant</p>
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		<p>availability of natural light. All class rooms, lecture halls are equipped with projectors and multimedia kits.</p> <p>Entire campus has been equipped with broadband optic fibre network thus augmenting all classrooms with high speed wifi connectivity.</p> <p>A well maintained library which also houses a digital library and a fool proof Library Management System software to itemize and manage the functioning the library.</p> <p>An auditorium with 150 capacity with equipment such as digital projectors available in the campus.</p> <p>Two hostels, one each for boys (95 capacity) and girls (40 capacity) and residential accommodation for staff are available in the campus.</p> <p>Cafeteria, limited medical facility, sports facility, etc. also available.</p>
2	Weaknesses of the University	<p>Location of the university in an arid zone has been a limiting factor in attracting students.</p> <p>Low enrolment since its inception</p> <p>Number of courses offered in the university is also less.</p>

#### Part- IV – Recommendations

##### A. Observations of the Committee

- RNB Global University is located in Bikaner, Rajasthan. The location of the university is not only rural but also a hot and desert area. Nevertheless, the university within a short span of five years is able to create good infrastructure like



air-conditioned buildings, lecture halls, laboratories, and un-interrupted wireless internet access.

- The university offers good logistics and technical aids to ensure hands-on knowledge to the students. A good library, futuristic learning aids such as e-learning studio all help to generate a finer flair of learning in every student.
- The university is able to attract good, motivated faculty members, especially in the departments of Agriculture, Management and Commerce.

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

- Law faculty needs to be strengthened as per the minimum requirement prescribed the Bar Council of India.
- Minimum wages Act of the State may be followed for the non-teaching staff and necessary welfare measures need to be put in place for them. (class IV)  
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- Salary structure of teaching staff need to be maintained as per norms and Career Advancement Scheme prescribed by the UGC may be followed to incentivise teachers based on performance.
- More sports facilities in the campus is a demand come from students during the interaction.
- The university should promote MOOCs in view of implementing National Education Policy, 2020.
- The university should new certificate programmes to cater the geographical locational needs with alignment of National Education Policy, 2020

## C Final Recommendations

The committee after visiting the RNB Global University, Bikaner, its academic departments, central facilities and interacting with stakeholders, is of the view that the RNB Global university, Ganga Nagar Road, Bikaner -334601, Rajasthan is offering programmes satisfactorily as per the norms set by the UGC and other Statutory Councils in terms of academic standards, faculty, infrastructure and other facilities.



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