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The Registrar,  
Eternal University,  
Baru Sahib, Via Rajgarh,  
Distt. Sirmour,  
**Himachal Pradesh – 173101.**

**24 MAY 2013**

Sub: - Compliance Report submitted by the Eternal University, Baru Sahib (Himachal Pradesh) in respect of the observations/suggestion given by the UGC Expert Committee.

Sir,

This has reference to the visit of the UGC Expert Committee on 22-23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2013 to verify the compliance submitted by the University in respect of the suggestions given by the earlier UGC Expert Committee. The report of the UGC Expert Committee was placed before the Commission at its 493<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2013 (Item No: 5.08). The Commission considered the compliance report and approved the same.

The Compliance Report received from the University has been posted on the UGC website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in)

Yours faithfully,

**(P.K. Sharma)**  
Under Secretary

Copy to: -

- 1/ Publication Officer (Website) with the request to post the above letter on the UGC website alongwith enclosed compliance report received from the Eternal University, Baru Sahib (Himachal Pradesh) as per the decision of the Commission.
2. S.O. (Meeting) UGC, New Delhi (ATN UGC item No. 5.08 dated. 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2013).

  
**(Naresh Kumar Sharma)**  
Section Officer

#### IV. Observations on the compliance

S.No.	Suggestions of the UGC Expert Committee which visited on 17-19 <sup>th</sup> December, 2013	Compliance submitted by Eternal University	Observations of the present Committee on the compliance submitted by the Eternal University after on the spot visit
1.	In item 7 of the Proforma ten Undergraduate and Post Graduate courses have been listed. However only the courses 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> are presently being taught. This fact should be clearly mentioned by the University and the University should outline as to when the teaching of the remaining courses will get commenced.	In addition to the courses at Serial No. 1, 2, 3, & 8, we have also started the courses at Serial No. 4 (Pure and Applied Sciences), No. 6 (Public Health), and No. 9 (Business Administration). The course at No. 5 (Education and Teacher Training is proposed to be started from the next Academic Session). The course at No. 7 (Medicine, Naturopathy and Alternative System of Medicine) will start within 3-4 years.	The response of the University is self-explanatory in this regard. However, the Committee is of the view that the University has adequate infrastructure, faculty and staff for the on-going academic programmes. The quality of students in these programmes is also found to be good as the students appeared to be well prepared both in terms of knowledge as well as their communication skills and personality. Likewise the teachers are also devoted and well educated.
2.	The constitution of the Academic Council be made in accordance with the statutes and ordinances of the Eternal University, for getting diverse and broad inputs from faculties of Apex National Institutions of the Country, this number needs to be increased. The University is therefore advised to increase the number of external members in the	In this connection it is submitted that the constitution of Academic Council is in accordance with the provisions made in Clause 18 of the First Statutes of the Eternal University. The composition of the Academic Council has been shown in Appendix - I A. In compliance with the wishes of the UGC Expert Committee which	The Committee has found that the constitution of the Academic Council of the University is as per the first statutes of the University. A copy of the notification of the University dated 25.08.2012 is appended at Annexure-A.

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	above committees.	<p>visited on 17-19 December, 2010 we have already associated six members from apex National Institutes of the country. They are as under:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) IIT Roorkee</li> <li>2) IIT Delhi</li> <li>3) IIT Bombay</li> <li>4) Punjab Agriculture University, Ludhiana</li> <li>5) Punjab Bio-Technology Incubator, Chandigarh</li> <li>6) Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi</li> </ol> <p>These additional Members have been Co-Opted and they participate in the proceedings of the council as guest members. They however do not have the right to vote.</p> <p>In view of the additional members Co-Opted by us we are getting diverse and broad inputs from these Co-Opted members. The names of the members of the Academic Council are given in Appendix - ID. And the names of the External members added after UGC visit are given in Appendix - IC.</p>	
3.	In item 16 of the proforma instead of Akal School of Postgraduate Studies and Akal College of Arts and Sciences, only Akal College of Arts and Sciences should be retained. This is so since the building on the area 1930 sq. mt. belongs to a singular college	In the university 3 more floors with covered area of approximately 21,000 sq. ft. have been constructed since the visit of the UGC team. Therefore, there is no shortage of accommodation. However, the teaching work of Postgraduate classes is being conducted in the respective departments.	The Committee has observed that the University has added new floors and a new academic block after the visit of the last UGC Expert Committee. Further it has restructured its Colleges and Schools of studies. As such, there is no conflict as at present. The Schools of studies are primarily catering for Science and Business Management at Masters and Doctoral research levels.
4.	B.Sc. Economics programme of the University should be renamed as B.A. Economics.	We have accepted your recommendation for the change of nomenclature from B.Sc. (Economics) to B.A. (Economics) and this change has already been	The Committee recommends that the action taken in this regard be accepted by the UGC.

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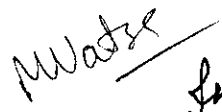
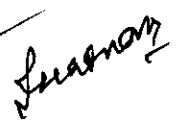
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		approved by the Academic Council of Eternal University.	
5.	University has Science & Technology programmes such as B. Tech and M.Tech as well as basic Science P.G. courses in Physics & Chemistry and research programmes; the University is advised to foster industrial collaboration in their research programmes with various industries/research labs etc. This may in the long run help the University in attracting significant resources.	In compliance with the wishes of the UGC Expert Committee, we have developed collaboration with industry & research laboratories including National Institute of Technology (NIT) Hamirpur, National Physical Laboratory (NPL) Delhi, DRDO Laboratory Kanpur, Wayne State University (USA) (Engineering and Technology) and Drexel University (USA), TinChem Enterprises, Patiala. The University has a Network Project of Bio-Technology sponsored Government of India with the following Universities and Research Institutes: (1) Indian Agriculture Research Institute, New Delhi (2) Punjab Agriculture University, Ludhiana (3) G.B. Pant University of Agriculture and Technology, Pant Nagar (4) Agharkar Research Institute, Pune (5) Indian Agriculture Research Institute, Regional Station, Indore	The Committee has observed that new equipments have been added to the laboratories of Applied Sciences and Engineering and Technology courses of worth 2 crores. Further, the collaborative arrangements for sharing of lab facilities and research guidance with NPL, DRDO, NIT Hamirpur has been made to further strengthen the support for quality laboratory work and to foster industry relevant research. This is a welcome feature for a upcoming university which is established in a rural area in Himachal Pradesh. Further, the collaborative ties with selected universities in USA and in India are also highly appreciated by the Committee. The Committee has observed that there is a strong visibility of quality research in areas such as Biotechnology, Molecular Biology and in the area of renewable energy. Likewise the research and development activity and publications in applied physics, nano science and technology were also found to be of high quality and industry relevance.
6.	The University proposes to increase the number of the girl students and is planning to give preference to girl students in the future. The University had not	The University is admitting both boys and girls in Postgraduate courses. The Kalgidhar Trust, parent body of Eternal University unanimously	The University as at present is serving the interest of girls students largely from rural areas in Himachal Pradesh and

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	<p>started as an institution only for education of girl students. In light of this, the University is advised to incorporate suitable amendments if so required so that admitting only girl students may not create Legal/Administrative difficulty.</p>	<p>resolved to follow the policy of H.P. Government for promoting education of the girl child and passed a resolution on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2010 and resolved to admit only female students in the bachelor of Engineering &amp; Technology courses from the academic session 2010. Further in the meeting of Academic Council and Board of management held on 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2010 and Governing Body of Eternal University meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2010, unanimously passed a resolution that in accordance with the policy of state of Himachal Pradesh for promoting education of the girl child, the Eternal University shall admit only female students in the Bachelor of Technology course in Akal College of Engineering &amp; Technology from academic session 2010-2011. However, later on it was decided to admit female students to all Undergraduate courses run by the Eternal University. A copy of resolution was sent to Principal Secretary Higher Education Govt. of Himachal Pradesh and Education Minister Govt. of Himachal Pradesh. The Government representatives on the Governing Body of Eternal University were also present in the governing body meeting in which this decision was taken. In these circumstances we do not apprehend any legal and administrative problems in this regard.</p>	<p>is therefore, a largely oriented towards girls students. However, for Post-graduation in applied sciences and for Ph.D. programmes, the University is attracting quality students (Male/Female).</p>
7.	<p>Even though the University has reasonably adequate equipment's for their Post graduate basic Science laboratories like Physics and Chemistry, these laboratories need strengthening through procurement installation of state of art equipment. This will help the students to acquire competitive competence in these courses with other frontline</p>	<p>With regard to this suggestion it is submitted that Science Laboratories of Physics &amp; Chemistry are being strengthened regularly, the list of additional equipment purchased for these laboratories after the UGC team visit is shown in the Appendix-II-A. The Instrument &amp; Equipment purchased for the department of Electronics &amp; Communication Engg. after the</p>	<p>The Committee has found that new equipments have been added to various laboratories of applied sciences as well as that of engineering and technology. As such, there is no visible deficiency in respect of lab equipment in various department. It was also</p>

	<p>Universities of the country.</p>	<p>UGC visit is shown in the Appendix-II-B. The list of equipment purchased for Akal School of Bio-Technology after this visit is shown in Appendix II-C. Equipment of purchased for Akal Institute of Renewable Energy &amp; Research after the UGC visit is shown in Appendix II-D. Instruments purchased for Akal School of Divine Music &amp; Spiritualism is shown in Appendix II-E. Equipment purchased for Akal School of Nutrition &amp; Food Technology is shown in Appendix II-F. Akal School of Nutrition &amp; Food Technology has been awarded a grant of Rs. 75 lacs by Ministry of Food processing of Govt. of India. This grant will be released in the current financial year. The list of equipment to be purchased out of this grant is given in Appendix II-G. Equipment purchased for I.T. Department after UGC visit is given in Appendix II-H. The List of Journals and Books purchased after the UGC visit is given in Appendices II-I &amp; J respectively. List of equipment purchased for Akal School of Physics after the UGC Team visit is given in Appendix II-K.</p>	<p>found that the Biotechnology department has purchased state of art equipments such as Atomic Absorption Photo Spectrometer and other analytical instruments. The Committee also found that the library of the University is well stocked with text books and reference books. Further library is provided with connectivity and computers for access to e-resources. The library for post-graduate programme was also found to be reasonably spacious. The details of the purchase of equipments and additions to the library are already provided by the University in its compliance report.</p>
<p>8.</p>	<p>In order to provide feedback to faculty members regarding the effectiveness of their teaching and to explore ways to improve this, it is essential to have assessment of teachers by the students as "Teacher Evaluation System". Therefore it is advised that the feedback/assessment proforma be prepared and the students be asked to fill this proforma and submit this to Registrar at the end of every semester. The feedback should be given to the concerned teachers so that they can improve their teaching.</p>	<p>The University has designed a student Feedback Proforma on teacher evaluation. The students are asked to fill this proforma at the end of each semester for each teacher who is teaching them. The performance of teacher is evaluated based on the feedback given by the students and the teachers are informed about their performance in the class so that teachers can improve their teaching: A copy of the Feedback Proforma is attached herewith as Appendix - III</p>	<p>The Committee has verified that the University has implemented the suggestion of the previous UGC Committee in respect of student feedback on teachers. The compliance report submitted by the University also has provided a copy of the student feedback form.</p>

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