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

**MINUTES OF THE 559TH MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
HELD ON 13TH JUNE, 2022.**

The 559th Meeting of the Commission was held on 13th June, 2022 in which the following were present:

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| 1. Prof. Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar | Chairman |
| 2. Shri K. Sanjay Murthy | Member |
| 3. Prof. (Ms.) Sushma Yadav | Member |
| 4. Prof. E. Suresh Kumar | Member |
| 5. Prof. M. K. Sridhar | Member |
| 6. Dr. Shivaraj | Member |

Dr. Vineet Joshi, Addl. Secretary (HE), Member UGC could not attend the meeting due to his pre-occupations and was granted leave of absence.

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting:

Secretary

Prof. Rajnish Jain

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SECTION-1

- 1.01(a)** To confirm the Minutes of the 558th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 06th May, 2022.

The minutes were confirmed.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

- 1.01(b)** To receive the action taken on the Minutes of the 558th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 06th May, 2022.

Noted. It was resolved that a copy of the constitution of various committees on Regulations/Guidelines and other important communications be shared with Commission members for their information.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

- 1.02 (a)** To ratify the action taken on certain matter. **(No item)**

- 1.02 (b)** To receive the items for information. **(No item)**

- 1.03** To receive the position of funds of UGC and related issues. **(No item)**

- 1.04** To consider the Annual Accounts of UGC for the financial year 2021-22.

Considered and approved.

[Action: FA]

SECTION-2

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(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider the matter regarding amendment of the relevant provisions of rules, regulations and guidelines of the UGC requiring physical inspection of institutions and suggest alternative measures thereof.

Commission considered and resolved that physical inspection of Universities and Colleges as per the requirement of different rules, regulations and guidelines of UGC may be replaced with virtual visits. Only if need arises, physical inspection may be done on case-to-case basis.

It was further resolved that Universities and Colleges should maintain all relevant information on their website as mandatory disclosure.

[Action: AS-II(CPP-II)]

2.02 To consider NAAC accreditation mandatory for Higher Educational Institutions to become eligible for recognition under Section 12B of UGC Act, 1956.

Considered and approved. It was further resolved that Higher Educational Institutions, which have already been given 12B status, may be given maximum of Five Years to obtain NAAC accreditation to retain their recognition under 12B of UGC Act, 1956.

[Action: AS-II(CPP-II)]

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2.03 To consider the draft University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2022.

Considered and approved. It was further resolved that following changes and other minor corrections in the draft Ph.D. regulations may be incorporated before notification:

- 1. In clause 11, title should be changed to “Ph.D. through Part Time”.**
- 2. Clause 11.1 should appear as Clause 11.2.**
- 3. Clause 11.2 should appear as clause 11.1.**

[Action: JS(QIP)]

2.04 To consider the recommendations made by the DEB Working Group in its thirteenth meeting held on 31st May, 2022.

Considered and approved.

It was further resolved that the virtual visits for new Higher Educational Institutions by Expert Committee will continue. Only in specific cases, if need arises, physical visit/onsite visits may be done on a case-to-case basis.

After completion of the virtual visit, some institutions selected through system generated random sampling basis will undergo physical/onsite visit by the expert committee, to ascertain the credibility and verification of the documents/facilities.

[Action: JS(DEB)]

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2.05 Reduction in funding pattern to six Deemed to be Universities which are privately managed by Trust/Society.

Considered and approved. It was further resolved that an Expert Committee may be constituted to look into the funding of the Deemed to be Universities which are privately managed by Trust/Society, except Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda Educational and Research Institute, Belur Math, Howrah.

[Action: JS(DU)]

2.06 To consider continuation of HRDCs on permanent basis and appointment of Directors in HRDCs on regular basis.

Commission considered the proposal and resolved that no appointment of Professor-Director of HRDCs shall be done on permanent basis.

It was further resolved that for smooth management of HRDCs, the charge of HRDC may be given to a permanent Professor of the concerned University as an academic administrative responsibility.

[Action: JS(HRDC)]

2.07 To consider the National Higher Education Qualifications Framework (NHEQF).

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(QIP)]

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2.08

To consider the recommendations of the Expert Committee constituted to decide the exemption application received from Maharishi Mahesh Yogi Vedic Vishwavidyalaya, M.P., as per the Hon'ble High Court of Madhya Pradesh order dated 07 May 2022.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(DEB)]

SECTION-3

(REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)

(There is no item in this section)

SECTION-4

(SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)

(There is no item in this section)

SECTION-5

(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

(There is no item in this section)

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SECTION-6

(MISCELLANEOUS)

(There is no item in this section)

Any other item

The matter related to UGC-CARE list of Journals was raised by one of the Honourable Members of the Commission.

It was discussed and resolved that an Expert committee may be constituted for review of the UGC letter dated 16.09.2019 regarding UGC-CARE list.

(Prof. Rajnish Jain)
Secretary

(Prof. Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar)
Chairman