

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

**MINUTES OF THE 592<sup>ND</sup> MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION  
HELD ON 23<sup>RD</sup> JULY, 2025.**

The 592<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Commission was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2025 in which the following were present:

1. Dr. Vineet Joshi	Chairman
2. Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava	Vice Chairman
3. Shri Sanjay Prasad	Member
4. Prof. Badri Narayan Tiwari	Member
5. Prof. Raj Kumar Mittal	Member
6. Prof. (Retd.) Sachidananda Mohanty	Member
7. Prof. Shashikala Gulabrao Wanjari	Member
8. Prof. Tana Showren	Member
9. Prof. Vandana Mishra	Member

Shri Ashish Kumar Chauhan and Shri Sridhar Vembu, Members - UGC, could not attend the meeting due to their pre-occupations and were granted leave of absence.

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting:

**Secretary**

Prof. Manish Ratnakar Joshi

**Special Invitee**

- Prof. T G Sitharam, Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi.
- Dr. Abhay Jere, Vice-Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi.

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## SECTION-1

**1.01(a)** To confirm the minutes of the 591<sup>st</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2025.

**The minutes were confirmed with the following modifications:**

**The minutes of the item 1.02(a) of the 591<sup>st</sup> meeting may be read as:**

- *Ratified.*
- *It was decided that in order to check whether the already included colleges u/s 2(f) and 12B of the UGC Act, 1956 maintain the prescribed standards, an appropriate mechanism is to be evolved.*

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

**1.01(b)** To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 591<sup>st</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2025.

**Noted.**

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

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

- (i) To ratify the action taken on the matter of the inclusion of 53 Colleges under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956, between 01.06.2025 to 30.06.2025 as per the authorization given by the Commission in its 480th meeting held on 24.08.2011.

**Ratified.**

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

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- (ii) To consider the Letter of Approval for the University of Southampton, Gurugram Campus.

**Ratified.**

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

**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)**

#### **SECTION-2**

##### **(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)**

**2.01** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for virtual inspection to examine the application submitted for conferment of Deemed to be University under Distinct Category in the name of New Age Makers Institute of Technology (NAMTECH), Ahmedabad, Gujarat under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Considered and approved.**

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

- 2.02** To consider the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for virtual inspection to examine the application submitted for conferment of Deemed to be University under General Category in the name Sri Krishna Arts and Science College, Sugunapuram, Kuniyamthur, P.O. Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu) under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Considered and approved.**

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

- 2.03** To consider the compliance submitted by the State (Private) Universities towards the fulfilment of the criterion as per inspection under Section 13 of the UGC Act, 1956, after inclusion of their names under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956, 12-B status of the State (Private) University and proposal of State (Private) University for opening Off-Campus Centre.

**Considered and approved, except the proposal of North East Frontier Technical University, District West Siang, Arunachal Pradesh State (Private) University.**

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

- 2.04** To consider and approve 12 (B) status to the Institution Deemed to be University with valid NAAC-A grade and above.

**Considered and approved the 12(B) status for the Vellore Institute of Technology (deemed to be university), Vellore, Tamilnadu.**

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

- 2.05** To consider the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for virtual inspection to examine the application submitted for conferment of Deemed to be University under General Category in the name Mar Ivanios College, Mar Ivanios Vidyanagar, Nalanchira P.O., Thiruvananthapuram - 695015, Kerala under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Considered and approved.**

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

- 2.06** To consider the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for virtual inspection to examine the application submitted for conferment of Deemed to be University under General Category in the name Mount Carmel College, Bangalore Autonomous, 58, Palace Road, Bengaluru, Karnataka under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**As an aided college, the Commission observed that Mount Carmel College's application was not backed by the State Government's financial commitment letter. The Commission resolved to grant the college a six-month period to submit the commitment letter.**

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

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**2.07** To consider the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for virtual inspection to examine the application submitted for conferment of Deemed to be University under Distinct Category in the name KMCT, Manassery - P. O, Mukkam. Kozhikode, Kerala under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Considered and approved.**

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

**2.08** To consider the feasibility of offering programmes in the specialisation of healthcare and allied disciplines falling under the NCAHP Act, 2021, in ODL and Online mode.

- **Commission considered and approved the recommendation of the 24th DEB Working Group (DWG) meeting held on 22nd April, 2025 regarding offering of programmes in the specialization of Psychology, Microbiology, Food and Nutrition Science, Biotechnology and Clinical Nutrition & Dietetics in ODL mode and Online mode.**
- **The Commission further resolved to constitute an Expert Committee to discuss and safeguard the interests of students already admitted to ODL/Online programmes in the specializations related to healthcare and allied disciplines from the academic session 2021–22 onwards, in light of the provisions of the NCAHP Act, 2021 and the UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020”**

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

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- 2.09** To consider the recommendations of the UGC Standing Committee constituted to implement the monitoring process and to ascertain whether the Ph.D. degrees are awarded by the Universities following the respective UGC norms/Regulations.

**Considered and approved.**

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

- 2.10** To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee made in its 81<sup>st</sup> meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2025, for conferment/extension of autonomous status upon the colleges.

- **Considered and approved.**
- **Governance of autonomous colleges should be monitored periodically.**

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

- 2.11** To consider the report of the FHEI Standing Committee constituted by UGC for “Setting-up of and operation of campuses of FHEIs in India” in respect of University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

**Considered and approved.**

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

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- 2.12 To consider the draft Learning Outcomes-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) developed by the Subjects Experts Committees for uploading in public domain.

**Considered and approved. The Commission approved to put up the LOCF of following nine subjects in public domain to invite the feedback/comments from stakeholders:**

1. **Mathematics**
2. **Home Science**
3. **Anthropology**
4. **Commerce**
5. **Geography**
6. **Physical Education**
7. **Economics**
8. **Chemistry**
9. **Political Science**

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

- 2.13 To consider the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for virtual inspection to examine the application submitted for conferment of Deemed to be University under Distinct Category in the name Dr RVR NRI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Pothavarappadu (V), Via Nunna, Agiripalli (M), Krishna (Dt), Andhra Pradesh under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Considered and approved. The Commission further resolved the following:**

- **While seeking a nominee from regulatory councils, the bureau should also seek the views of the regulatory council on the institution in terms of its adherence to rules and regulations etc.**
- **When the Expert Committees recommend a proposal with conditions, they should explicitly categorize the generic and specific conditions in their report.**

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

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**2.14** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for virtual inspection to examine the application submitted for conferment of Deemed to be University under Distinct Category in the name of Karpaga Vinayaga Educational Lore For Learning, GST Road, Chinna Kolambakkam, Maduranthagam, Tamilnadu under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

- **Considered and approved.**
- **The Commission noted the fact that the case is reconsidered because of the Hon'ble Madras High Court Order in the W.P.No. 9026/2025.**

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

**2.15** To consider the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee constituted for granting ex-post facto approval to Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education (Deemed to be University), Tumkur District – 572 102, Karnataka for off-campus centre at T-Begur, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Karnataka.

**Considered and approved.**

**[Action: JS(CPP I/DU)]**

**2.16** To consider the report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for virtual inspection to examine the application submitted for conferment of Deemed to be University under General Category in the name TCET UNIVERSITY, A Block, Thakur Educational Campus, Thakur Shyamnarayan Marg, Thakur Village, Kandivali E, Mumbai, Maharashtra under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Considered and approved.**

**[Action: JS(CPP I/DU)]**

- 2.17 To consider the acceptance of the compliance submitted by Heartfulness Academy of Research and Innovation (HARI), 13-110, Kanha Shanti Vanam, Chegur, Nandigama Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad (Telangana) on the LoI dated 20.02.2025 issued by MoE, for Deemed to be University status (Distinct Category) under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Considered and approved.**

**[Action: JS(CPP I/DU)]**

## **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)

**6.01** To consider certain establishment matters of the UGC.

**Recorded Separately.**

## SECTION-7

**(Any Other Items)**

**(There is no item in this section)**

**(Prof. Manish Ratnakar Joshi)**  
**Secretary**

**(Dr. Vineet Joshi)**  
**Chairman**