

**CONFIDENTIAL**

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

**MINUTES OF THE 524<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS  
COMMISSION HELD ON 24<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2017.**

The 524<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Commission was held on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 in which the following were present:

1. Prof. V.S. Chauhan	Chairman (Acting)
2. Mr. Kewal Kumar Sharma	Member
3. Mr. Pramod Kumar Das **	Member
4. Prof. Inder Mohan Kapahy	Member
5. Dr. G. Gopal Reddy	Member
6. Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar	Member
7. Dr. (Ms.) Sushma Yadav	Member

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting.

**Secretary**

Mr. P.K. Thakur

*\*\* Represented by Shri Dilip Kapur, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Finance.*

Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh Chander Kuhad could not attend the meeting due to his illness and was granted leave.

Chairman, UGC welcomed the Members of the Commission and informed them about the repatriation of Dr. J S Sandhu, Secretary, UGC consequent upon his selection as Vice Chancellor of GND University, Amritsar and about giving additional charge of Secretary, UGC to Mr. P K Thakur, FA, UGC.

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### SECTION-1

**1.01(a)(i)** To confirm the minutes of the 523<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2017.

**Confirmed.**

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

**1.01(a)(ii)** To confirm the minutes of the meeting (by circulation) of the University Grants Commission held on 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

**Confirmed.**

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

**1.01(b)** To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 523<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2017.

**Noted.**

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

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

(i) To report notification of UGC (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 in the official Gazette and actions taken by UGC after its notification.

**Deferred.**

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

(ii) To report the recommendations of the Expert Committee constituted by the Commission in its 497<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 10.01.2014 with regard to approval of institutions under sections 2(f), 12 (B) and compliance under Section 13 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Deferred.**

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

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- (iii) To report the inclusion of 84 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.05.2017 to 31.07.2017 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

**Deferred.**

[Action : JS(CPP-I/C)]

**1.02 (b)** To receive the items of 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 to assess the proposal for Deemed to University status to College of Engineering, Pune (Maharashtra) under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**After having considered the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee, the Commission approved the proposal. It was also decided to forward it to MHRD for further necessary action.**

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

**2.02** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited National Dairy Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Karnal (Haryana) to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

**After having considered the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee, the Commission approved the proposal. It was also decided to forward it to MHRD for further necessary action. Further it was decided to direct the Institute to get itself accredited by NAAC, preferably within a year.**

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

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**2.03** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Jagadguru Sri Shivarathreeshwara (JSS) University (Deemed to be University), Mysore (Karnataka) to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

**After having considered the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee, the Commission approved the proposal. It was also decided to forward it to MHRD for further necessary action.**

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

**2.04** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Deemed to be University, Gachibowli, Hyderabad to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

**After having considered the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee, the Commission approved the proposal. It was also decided to forward it to MHRD for further necessary action. Further it was decided to direct the Institute to align its MoAs etc. in accordance with UGC Regulations, 2016 within one year.**

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

**2.05** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Gokhale Institute of Politics & Economics (Deemed to be University), Shivajinagar, Pune (Maharashtra) to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

**After having considered the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee, the Commission approved the proposal. It was also decided to forward it to MHRD for further necessary action. Further it was decided to direct the Institute to rectify the deficiencies indicated by the Bureau within one year.**

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

- 2.06** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to assess the proposal submitted by Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation (Deemed to be University), Vaddeswaram, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh for starting an off-campus centre at Hyderabad.

**Deferred.**

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

- 2.07** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences (Deemed to be University), At/Post – Loni (Bk), tal – Rahata, Dist.–Ahmednagar – 413737, Maharashtra to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

**Deferred.**

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

- 2.08** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Padmashree Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University), Nerul, Navi Mumbai (Maharashtra) to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

**Deferred.**

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

- 2.09** To consider the draft UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status upon Colleges and measures for maintenance of standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2017.

**Deferred.**

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

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- 2.10** To consider the Report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to assess the proposal for Deemed to University status under de-novo category to Central Institute of Technology, Balagaon, BTAD, Kokrajhar (Assam)\_under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

**Deferred.**

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

- 2.11** To consider the re-constitution of UGC Committee constituted by the Commission to look into all aspects of the issue of off-campus of Institutions Deemed to be Universities consequent upon the completion of the tenure of two members.

**Deferred.**

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

- 2.12** To consider the Report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to assess the proposal submitted by Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University), Pune (Maharashtra) for starting Department of Law at its off-campus centre at Delhi.

**Deferred.**

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

## **SECTION-3**

### **(REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)**

- 3.01** To consider the changes suggested by the Ministry of HRD in the UGC (Declaration of Government Educational Institutions as Institutions of Eminence) Guidelines, 2017 and UGC (Institutions of Eminence Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2017 – Reference Ministry of HRD letter No. F. 11-1/2016-U3 (A) dated 04.08.2017.

**The Commission discussed the proposed guidelines and Regulations and approved the same.**

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

- 3.02 To consider the observations of the Ministry of Human Resource Development on University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Education Institutions) Regulations, 2017.

**The Commission discussed the proposed Regulations and directed that the draft regulations be placed on the UGC website for feedback from the stakeholders giving them a month's time.**

**[Action : JS(CPP-II)]**

- 3.03 To consider the rejection of the proposals received for Deemed to be University status to the Ministry of HRD.

**Deferred.**

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

**SECTION-4  
(SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)**

- 4.01 To consider the recommendation of the Expert Committee to assess the proposal of Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad for establishment of Polytechnic at Kadappa (Andhra Pradesh) and Polytechnic and Industrial Training Institute (ITI) at Cuttack (Odisha).

**Deferred.**

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

- 4.02 To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Autonomous Colleges for grant of fresh/extension of autonomous status to colleges.

**Deferred.**

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

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- 4.03** To consider the report on model syllabus for Psychology at B.A./B.Sc., M.A./M..Sc. and Ph.D. levels.

**The Commission discussed the report on model syllabus for Psychology and approved the same.**

**[Action : JS(CPP-II)]**

- 4.04** To consider University Grants Commission (Recognition and Monitoring of Assessment and Accreditation Agencies) Regulations – 2017.

**The Commission discussed the proposed Regulations at length. Secretary, Department of Higher Education suggested some modifications in a few clauses. It was decided to consider the proposed Regulations after incorporating the suggested modifications in its next meeting to be held shortly.**

**[Action : JS(CPP-II)]**

- 4.05** To consider UGC (Categorisation of Universities for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2017.

**The Commission discussed the proposed Regulations at length and it was decided to deliberate it further in its next meeting to be held shortly.**

**[Action : JS(CPP-II)]**

- 4.06** To consider the issues arising out of the minutes of the UGC Standing Committee on Journals held on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

**Deferred.**

**[Action : JS(DU/ARC)]**



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- 4.07** To consider the possibility of giving suitable preference in admission to graduate courses in Physiotherapy to those candidates have requisite expertise in Yoga.

**Deferred.**

[Action : JS(CPP-II)]

## SECTION-5

### (GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

- 5.01** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee for Annual Allocation of grants to Central Universities under Capital Assets.

**Deferred.**

[Action : JS(CU)]

- 5.02** To consider permitting Utilization of Gran-in-Aid under the scheme of Community College and B.Voc. degree programme beyond XII Plan Period.

**Deferred.**

[Action : JS(NSQF)]

- 5.03** To consider the recommendations of the Expert Committee on Rationalization of Distribution of Plan Grant under various UGC Schemes.

**After having considered the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee, the Commission approved the proposal along with the suggestions made by the Expert Committee. The Commission also recommended that the schemes in their rationalized forms be continued beyond 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 and up to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2019.**

[Action : JS(CPP-II)]

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## SECTION-6 (MISCELLANEOUS)

**6.01** To consider certain establishment matter of University Grants Commission

**Recorded Separately.**

### **ANY OTHER ITEM**

Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar raised the issue of anomalies arising out of CAS Selections and Promotions.

**The Commission directed that the issue may be looked into.**

[Action : JS(PS)]

**(P.K. THAKUR)**  
**SECRETARY**

**(V.S. CHAUHAN)**  
**CHAIRMAN (Acting)**