

## UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

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Subject: UGC XI Plan Visiting Committee to Universities.

The UGC has been sending the Expert Visiting Committee to all the eligible Universities to evaluate their performance/implementation of previous plan and assess their financial requirements for the next plan. These Committees are sent at the beginning of every plan period.

The UGC will be sending XI Plan Visiting Committees to eligible 168 Universities.

The Chairman, UGC has constituted Expert Committees which have started visiting the Universities. 30 Universities have already been visited and other Universities will be visited soon.

The meeting of the Convenors (Chairman of the Visiting Committee) and Member Secretaries of XI Plan Visiting Committees, was convened, by the Chairman, UGC in the UGC Office, New Delhi, on 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, & 27<sup>th</sup>, June, 2008.

The Chairman, UGC highlighted the main Action Plan on thrusts and priorities of the XI Plan. The UGC XI Plan focuses on the inclusiveness, removal of disparities associated with the region, area, social group, quality and excellence in higher education providing relevant and value based education, information and communication technology and efficient Governance and administration of Higher Education system.

The Action Plan for Inclusiveness, identified Regional, Social Group and Gender Imbalances in regions (Educationally Backward, Hilly, Tribal, Remote, Border and Rural). The Action Plan for expansion of Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) from 10% to 15% target.5% of net increase to be achieved by dual strategy for increasing number of institutions and intake capacity of existing institutions. The XI Plan proposed 16 new Central Universities and another 14 World Class Universities. Under the General Development Assistance, **it is proposed to increase General Development Grants approximately by 100% over the X Plan for Central/State/Deemed Universities.**

#### **A. GENERAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT**

The UGC has decided that General Plan Development Grant to the individual university would be made available during the XI plan on the basis of the outlays determined.

The outlays determined and communicated to Universities shall be in operation for the period from 1.4.2007 to 31.3.2012. The scheme will end with the plan period, i.e. on 31.3.2012.

Development assistance may be utilised for the consolidation of existing infrastructure and for modernizing teaching, research and administration as also for extension and field outreach

activities to meet the changing needs of the Universities and to respond appropriately to the demands of the society.

Under General Plan Development Assistance, the UGC will assist each eligible university for the overall development covering the following aspects:

- i) Enhancing access, ii) Ensuring equity, iii) Imparting relevant education, iv) Improving quality and excellence, v) Making the University Administration more effective, vi) Providing for Faculty Improvement Programmes, vii) Enhancing Facilities for Students, viii) Augmenting research facilities, ix) Any other Plans of the University.

In order to fulfill the above objectives, the financial assistance to meet the requirements of the University in terms of infrastructure, staff, equipment, books and journals, library, etc. under the following heads can be provided by the UGC under the General Plan Development Grant during the XI Plan period:

1. Infrastructure: Building, 2. Campus Development, 3. Staff, 4. Central Library, 5. Equipment, 6. Innovative Research Activities, 7. New Extension Activities and Outreach Programmes, 8. ICT Requirements for the University, 9. Health Centre, 10. Student Amenities, 11. Jubilee Grants.

**B. GRANTS UNDER SCHEMES MERGED WITH GENERAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT OVER AND ABOVE GENERAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS**

During the XI Plan, the UGC proposes to merge the following schemes with General Development Grant. The allocation for these schemes would be made at the beginning of the XI Plan based on the recommendations of the Visiting Committee. No application during the Plan period would be considered for funding under these schemes.

The University may indicate separately the funds required under each of these schemes as per the guidelines for each scheme given below :

UGC Schemes	Total Ceiling (Rs. in lakh)	
<b>1. Travel Grant</b>	<b>Permanent Faculty Strength as on 1<sup>st</sup> April of the previous year</b>	<b>UGC support per year (Rs. in lakh)</b>
	Up to 50	3.00
	51-100	5.00
	101-300	8.00
	Above 300	12.00
<b>2. Conferences/Semiars/Symposi</b>	<b>Permanent Faculty Strength as on 1<sup>st</sup> April of the previous year</b>	<b>UGC support per year (Rs. in lakh)</b>

<b>a/Workshops</b>		
	Up to 50	3.00
	51-100	4.00
	101-300	5.00
	Above 300	7.00
<b>3. Publication Grant</b>	<b>Permanent Faculty Strength as on 1<sup>st</sup> April of the previous year</b>	<b>UGC support per year (Rs. in lakh)</b>
	Up to 50	3.00
	51-100	4.00
	101-300	5.00
	Above 300	7.00
<b>4. Appointment of Visiting Professor/Visiting Fellow</b>	<b>Permanent Faculty Strength as on 1<sup>st</sup> April of the previous year</b>	<b>UGC support per year (Rs. in lakh)</b>
	Up to 50	2.00
	51-100	3.00
	101-300	4.00
	Above 300	6.00
<b>5. Day Care Centre</b>	A one time lump-sum grant of Rs.5.00 lakh will be provided by the Commission to Day Care Centre of the University which comes under section 12(B) of the UGC Act. Thereafter, the UGC shall <u>not</u> support the scheme. The grant should be utilized for acquiring essential facilities. The day to day and operational expenses may be met from the payment to be collected from parents. The Day Care Centre is not required to be run for profit to any individual or organization during the plan.	
<b>6. Adventure Sports and Development of Sports Infrastructure and Equipments.</b>	The UGC would be providing grant upto Rs. 50.00 lakh for creation of sports infrastructure, equipment and for conducting Adventure Sports.	
<b>7. Special Development Grant for Universities in Backward/Rural/Remote/Border Areas.</b>	Eligible universities under this scheme will be provided up to <b>Rs.100.00 Lakh (One Hundred Lakh)</b> as one time grant during the XI Plan if it falls under one of the above categories. The grant would be Rs.1.25 crore if it falls under two of the above categories and Rs. 1.50 crore if it falls under more than two categories. This grant can be utilized exclusively for creating/ upgrading/ augmenting infrastructural projects of capital nature, such as central facilities like library, staff quarters, classrooms, laboratories, hostels, conference hall, etc.	
<b>8. Special Development Grant for Young Universities and Rejuvenation Grant for Old</b>	The eligible universities will get assistance as a one time grant during the XI Plan maximum limit for the same being:	

<b>Universities.</b>	<p>i. Young Universities - Rs. 1.00 crore</p> <p>ii) Rejuvenation grant - Rs. 1.00 crore for old universities</p>										
<b>9. Instrumentation Maintenance Facility (IMF).</b>	<p>Under this scheme the Commission will provide financial assistance <b>for the XI Plan period</b> under the following heads:</p> <p><b>a. Recurring</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="613 499 1338 1713"> <tr> <td data-bbox="613 499 1027 636">Staff: Technical Officer-1 @ Rs. 15000/- per month on contractual basis for the XI Plan period.</td> <td data-bbox="1027 499 1338 636">Rs.1,80,000/-p.a.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="613 636 1027 1077"> <p><b><u>Minimum Qualification:</u></b> B.E./B.Tech. or equivalent in Instrumentation/ Electronics with at least 3 years experience in repairs and maintenance of instruments.</p> <p>One of them could be for computer lab for which the qualification would be - MCA with adequate knowledge of Hardware</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1027 636 1338 1077">Rs.2,40,000/-p.a.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="613 1077 1027 1518"> <p>Technician-2 @ Rs. 10,000/- per month on contractual basis for the XI Plan period.</p> <p><b><u>Minimum Qualification :</u></b> Diploma or equivalent (in Instrumentation/ Electronics) with 3 years experience or ITI or equivalent (Instrumentation/ Electronics) with 5 years experience in repairs and maintenance of instruments.</p> </td> <td data-bbox="1027 1077 1338 1518"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="613 1518 1027 1665">Essential spares, components, contingencies for instrument repair and maintenance</td> <td data-bbox="1027 1518 1338 1665">Rs.1,00,000/- p.a.</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="613 1665 1027 1713">Training programmes</td> <td data-bbox="1027 1665 1338 1713">Rs. 50,000/- p.a.</td> </tr> </table> <p><b>b. Non-recurring (as “One Time” Grant for the entire XI Plan period).</b></p>	Staff: Technical Officer-1 @ Rs. 15000/- per month on contractual basis for the XI Plan period.	Rs.1,80,000/-p.a.	<p><b><u>Minimum Qualification:</u></b> B.E./B.Tech. or equivalent in Instrumentation/ Electronics with at least 3 years experience in repairs and maintenance of instruments.</p> <p>One of them could be for computer lab for which the qualification would be - MCA with adequate knowledge of Hardware</p>	Rs.2,40,000/-p.a.	<p>Technician-2 @ Rs. 10,000/- per month on contractual basis for the XI Plan period.</p> <p><b><u>Minimum Qualification :</u></b> Diploma or equivalent (in Instrumentation/ Electronics) with 3 years experience or ITI or equivalent (Instrumentation/ Electronics) with 5 years experience in repairs and maintenance of instruments.</p>		Essential spares, components, contingencies for instrument repair and maintenance	Rs.1,00,000/- p.a.	Training programmes	Rs. 50,000/- p.a.
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	Test and measuring instruments like CRO, multimedia, DVMs, signal generator, etc.	Rs.2.00 lakhs												
	Personal computer including software	Rs.2.00 lakhs												
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Rs. 4.00 Lakh</b>												
<b>10. Construction of Women's Hostels</b>	<p>Central/State Universities and Deemed Universities getting 100% Plan and Non Plan grant will be eligible to get assistance from the UGC under this scheme on 100% basis subject to the ceiling given below and as per the Women enrollment for the last 3 years.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>(Amount Rs.in lakh)</b></p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><b>Women Enrollment</b></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><b>Non-Metro</b></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><b>Metro</b></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Upto 250</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Rs. 60.00</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Rs. 120.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Upto 251-500</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Rs. 80.00</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Rs. 160.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>More then 500</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Rs.100.00</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Rs. 200.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		<b>Women Enrollment</b>	<b>Non-Metro</b>	<b>Metro</b>	Upto 250	Rs. 60.00	Rs. 120.00	Upto 251-500	Rs. 80.00	Rs. 160.00	More then 500	Rs.100.00	Rs. 200.00
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<b>11. Basic facilities for Women</b>	<p>Under the scheme, a sum of upto Rs. 50.00 lakh will be provided to universities for creation, maintenance and upgradation of infrastructure under any one or all of them, as given below:</p> <p>(a) Ladies toilets</p> <p>(b) Ladies Common Room/Cyber Café</p> <p>(c) Gymnasium</p> <p>Medical Room</p>													
<b>12. Faculty Improvement Programme. (Teacher Fellowship for doing M.Phil/Ph.D.)</b>	<p>The Commission will provide financial assistance under the scheme for teachers, who are employed in the eligible universities and who intend to pursue their academic/research activities leading to the award of M.Phil./Ph.D. degree as per the following pattern:</p> <p>The parameters for selecting the teachers under FIP are given below:</p> <table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><b>Permanent Faculty Strength</b></th> <th style="text-align: center;"><b>Financial Assistance</b></th> </tr> <tr> <th colspan="2" style="text-align: center;"><b>(Rs. in lakh)</b></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Upto 50</td> <td style="text-align: center;">- 10.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>51-100</td> <td style="text-align: center;">- 15.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>101-300</td> <td style="text-align: center;">- 20.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Above 300</td> <td style="text-align: center;">- 25.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Contingency Grants</b></p>		<b>Permanent Faculty Strength</b>	<b>Financial Assistance</b>	<b>(Rs. in lakh)</b>		Upto 50	- 10.00	51-100	- 15.00	101-300	- 20.00	Above 300	- 25.00
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	<p>A Teacher Fellow will be eligible for reimbursement of actual contingency expenditure subject to a maximum of Rs. 15,000/- per year. The accounts for contingency grant and audited Utilization Certificate in the usual prescribed proforma may be submitted to the respective State Universities and Central Universities and Bureau of the UGC. The documents should be duly countersigned by the Registrar/Head of the University/Research institute/Principal of the College concerned where the Teacher Fellow is conducting research work. Rules for Leave and Utilization of Contingency Grant under the scheme of Teacher Fellowship are attached.</p>
<p><b>13. Equal opportunity Cell</b></p>	<p>Emphasis to the deprived groups for learning and creating space for them to mainstream themselves will be the job of Equal Opportunity Cell which will run specific scheme of coaching for SC/ST/OBC/Minorities in order to enhance the employability and success. One time grant of Rs.2.00 lakh for establishing office of Equal Opportunity Cell may be provided under the scheme.</p>
<p><b>14. Coaching Schemes for SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) Minorities.</b></p>	<p>The institutions can apply for one or more components of the scheme according to the number of enrolment of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Minority Communities Students. If the number of students in a particular class is more, additional section(s) may be included. The financial assistance is available for the following items:</p> <p><b>Non-recurring items: A “one time” grant up to Rs. 5.00 lakh for each scheme during the XI Plan period for the following items:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Books and Journals</li> <li>2. Audio-visual and teaching/ learning aid material</li> <li>3. Computers with Printer</li> <li>4. Photocopier</li> <li>5. Generator or Inverter</li> <li>6. Language Library</li> <li>7. Any other (to be specified)</li> </ol> <p><b>Recurring Items:</b> Rs.7.00 lakh for universities for each scheme for expenditure on the following items:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Honorarium to the Coordinator of the schemes @ Rs.2000/- per month</li> <li>2. Remuneration to teachers and scholars*</li> <li>3. Part-time staff with computer knowledge (on contract basis) @ Rs.6000/- p.m.</li> <li>4. Part time Peon/Attendant @ Rs.1000 p.m.</li> </ol> <p>Contingency - Rs.50, 000/- per annum.</p>

<p><b>15. Establishment of Career and Counselling Cell in Universities</b></p>	<p>During the XI Plan period, the following financial assistance may be provided under the scheme:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="613 289 1344 600"> <tr> <td data-bbox="613 289 686 426">i)</td> <td data-bbox="695 289 922 426"><b>Non-recurring Rs. 2 lakh</b></td> <td data-bbox="930 289 1344 426">(Computers with internet for period of the Plan), Laser Printer, er, FAX</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="613 436 686 600">ii)</td> <td data-bbox="695 436 922 600"><b>Recurring Rs. 5 lakh p.a.</b></td> <td data-bbox="930 436 1344 600">Salary of counselor (Hiring charges, TA/DA for services of Resource persons, payment of Honorarium, Reading material, Contingency etc.).</td> </tr> </table>	i)	<b>Non-recurring Rs. 2 lakh</b>	(Computers with internet for period of the Plan), Laser Printer, er, FAX	ii)	<b>Recurring Rs. 5 lakh p.a.</b>	Salary of counselor (Hiring charges, TA/DA for services of Resource persons, payment of Honorarium, Reading material, Contingency etc.).
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<p><b>16. Facilities for differently abled (Physically Challenged) persons .</b></p>	<p>Financial assistance to the university departments of education will be given by the UGC as per the following norms:</p> <p>1. The university departments will be sanctioned one professor or one reader and two lecturers to run a B.Ed. course; and one professor, one reader and three lecturers when the university offers an M.Ed. course too in special education in any one of the specific disability areas with a minimum of 20 students and a maximum of 30. In the case of University departments desirous of offering M.Ed. special education courses only, provided one of its constituent/ affiliating colleges offers B.Ed. special education in the same specialisation, one professor, one reader, and one lecturer will be sanctioned. The staff appointed for special education courses should have necessary educational qualifications prescribed by the Rehabilitation Council of India.</p> <p>2. Assistance from the UGC will be for the Eleventh Plan period and the implementing university should give an undertaking that it will continue the course with the assistance of the state government or generate its own resources to meet the expenditure of the course after the Plan period. The implementing University should also provide extension services to the special schools and integrated schools to strengthen the quality of special education in those settings.</p> <p>3. In addition to the salary grant, the UGC will provide a maximum of Rs. 2,00,000/- per institute towards purchase of books, journals, use of services from collaborating institutions, special aids and appliances for its special education teacher preparation courses when it runs a B.Ed. special education or M.Ed. special education course only and provides an assistance of Rs. 4,00,000/- when it runs both B.Ed. and M.Ed. special education courses. However, this grant will be sanctioned only after the staffs approved have been appointed by the university.</p>						

	The continuation of the grant to the institute is contingent upon the demonstration of satisfactory performance during the mid-term evaluation to be carried out by the UGC.
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