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**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION  
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**MINUTES OF THE 486<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION  
HELD ON 2<sup>ND</sup> JUNE, 2012.**

The 486<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Commission was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2012 in which the following were present:-

1. Prof. Ved Prakash	Chairman
2. Shri Ashok Thakur	Member
3. Smt. Anjuly Chib Duggal	Member
4. Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar	Member
5. Prof. Achyutananda Samanta	Member
6. Prof.Dr. Seyed E. Hasnain	Member
7. Prof. Yogendra Yadav	Member
8. Prof. V.S. Chauhan	Member
9. Prof. D. Narasimha Reddy	Member

Prof. Meenakshi Gopinath and Dr. Indu Shahani could not attend the meeting and were given leave of absence.

The following officers of the UGC also attended the meeting.

**Secretary**

Dr. N.Adil Kazmi

**Additional Secretary**

Dr. K. Gunasekaran

**Financial Adviser**

Shri A.K. Dogra

*At the outset, the Chairman, UGC informed the Commission that Mrs. Vibha Puri Das, former Secretary(HE), M/HRD has been transferred to Ministry of Tribal Affairs and that Shri Ashok Thakur has taken over as Secretary(HE), M/HRD. The Commission extended a warm welcome to Shri Ashok Thakur.*

*The Chairman, UGC also informed that Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar shall be completing her 2<sup>nd</sup> term as a Member of the Commission on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2012 and that the present Commission meeting would be the last one being attended by her as a Commission Member.*

*The Commission placed on record its deep appreciation for the outstanding contributions made by both Mrs. Vibha Puri Das and Dr. Vidya Yeravdaker during the period they served as Commission Members. The Commission resolved that a letter of appreciation may be sent to both of them.*

*Shri Ashok Thakur, Secretary(HE), M/HRD expressed the need to make funding of institutions result oriented and related to their performance. He emphasized that institutions should be made accountable for the grants received by them.*

*After this, the Commission took up the Agenda for discussion.*

## SECTION-1

**1.01 (a)** To confirm the minutes of the 485<sup>th</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2012.

*The Commission considered the minutes of the 485<sup>th</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2012 and confirmed the minutes with the following changes:*

*Item No.2.02 . The minutes may be read as under:*

*“The Commission approved the award of work to Aman Satya Kachroo Trust, Gurgaon, an NGO, as the monitoring agency for the Anti Ragging Call Centre and related database work for a period of one year with effect from 2.6.2012 at a total*

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*cost of Rs.50,92,441/-, as an ad hoc arrangement till a new monitoring agency is appointed. The Commission decided that UGC should take timely action for appointment of the new monitoring agency before the expiry of the tenure of Aman Satya Kachroo Trust.*

*The Commission also felt that even though UGC is willing to monitor the helpline for Anti Ragging and the Web Portal, it may not be given the primary responsibility of identifying the agency and day-to-day administration of the work related to Anti Ragging and Web Portal in view of the fact that they do not come under the core functions of the UGC mandate. The Commission suggested that MHRD may approach Hon'ble Supreme Court with an alternative arrangement to replace UGC for running the anti ragging helpline and maintenance of web portal."*

*Action: JS (Anti Ragging)*

*Item No.2.04. The minutes may be read as under:*

*"This item was deferred. Further, it was decided that the item may be placed before the Commission again along with the legal opinion on the recent judgement of the Mumbai High Court in relation to the appointment of the Vice Chancellor of Pune University."*

*Action: JS(PS)*

*Item No.2.08. The last line of the first paragraph may be read as under:*

*"The Commission further decided that the following information with regard to Private Universities may be uploaded on the UGC Website:*

- (a) No. of Private Universities included in the UGC list.*
- (b) No. of Private Universities inspected by the UGC and approved by the Commission.*
- (c) No. of Private Universities inspected, reports placed before the Commission but item deferred.*
- (d) No. of Private Universities inspected, but reports could not be placed before the Commission.*

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- (e) *No. of Private Universities where Committee has been constituted but yet to be visited.*
- (f) *No. of Private Universities which have not yet submitted the requisite information as requested by the UGC in prescribed format.*
- (g) *No. of Private Universities which have submitted the requisite information as requested by the UGC in the prescribed format but the bureau is yet process the case .*

*Action: JS (CPP-I)*

*Item No.5.01. The minutes may be read as under:*

*“The Commission considered the report of the UGC Expert Committee, which visited Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) (State University), Dwarka, Delhi for its inclusion under section 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 and decided that the IIIT should be reassessed by another committee for inclusion under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 after it shifts to its own campus.”*

*Action: JS (CPP-I)*

*Item No.5.02. The para below the table may be read as under:*

*“The Commission further decided that besides Central Universities, the above fellowship scheme to M.Phil/Ph.D. scholars may also be extended to all the Universities, which have been awarded the status of “Universities with Potential for Excellence.”*

*Action: JS (CU)*

*Item No.5.03. The foot note may be read as under:*

*“Prof. V.S. Chauhan, Commission Member recused himself from the meeting while this item was considered.”*

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*Item No.6.02(i). The minutes may be read as under:*

*“While noting this Item, the Commission commended the excellent work done by the Empowered Committee for Basic Scientific Research in Indian Universities.”*

*Item No.6.03. The minutes may be read as under:*

*“The next meeting of the Commission has been scheduled for 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2012 at Surajkund (Haryana).”*

**1.01 (b)** To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 485<sup>th</sup> meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2012.**

*The Commission noted the action taken on the Minutes of the 485<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Commission and decided that in future the action taken should be specified instead of stating “action has been initiated”.*

*Action: All Bureau Heads*

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

(i) To ratify the inclusion of 75 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 11.05.2012 to 25.05.2012 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

*The Commission ratified the action taken by the Chairman, UGC in including 75 colleges under Sections 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 11.05.2012 to 25.05.2012 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011. The Commission further decided that all the old cases, which are pending for a long time, may be looked into by the Bureau Head and reported to the Commission.*

*Action: JS (CPP-I)*

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1.02(b) To receive the items of information.

*There was no item.*

1.03 To receive the position of funds of UGC and Related Issues.

*There was no item.*

## SECTION-2

### (MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider the University Grants Commission (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2012.

*This item was deferred. It was decided that the Regulations may be revisited after holding wider consultations with various stakeholders and statutory bodies.*

*Action: JS (CPP-I)*

2.02 To consider the UGC (Promotion and Maintenance of Standards of Academic Collaboration between Indian and Foreign Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2012.

*The Commission considered the UGC (Promotion and Maintenance of Standards of Academic Collaboration between Indian and Foreign Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2012 and suggested certain amendments in the draft Regulations. It was decided that the revised draft Regulations, 2012 may be sent to all the Members of the Commission for their final comments. The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to revise the said Regulations in the light of the comments to be received from the members and forward the final copy to the M/HRD for further necessary action.*

*The Commission further decided that the copy of the final version of the Regulations to be sent to the M/HRD may be circulated to all the Members of the Commission.*

*Action: JS (CPP-II)*

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## SECTION-3

(REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)

There was no item under this Section.

## SECTION-4

(SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)

**4.01** To consider the matter regarding development of Question Bank for NET conducted by the UGC.

*While noting the steps taken to develop the Question Bank for the NET, the Commission decided that the list of experts presently involved in this activity may be circulated through e-mail to all the Members of the Commission, so that the list of experts may be prepared on the basis of their inputs.*

*Action: DS (NET)*

**4.02** To consider the proposal for the celebration of 150<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Pt. Madan Mohan Malviya Ji for the year 2012-13.

*The Commission considered the proposal to institute a new award named Madan Mohan Malviya National Awards for Excellence in Governance in Higher Education, Innovation in Higher Education and Institutional Building in Higher Education with a cash award of Rs.1.00 lac and approved the same.*

*The Commission further decided to constitute a committee consisting of Prof. Seyed E Hasnain as the Chairman and Prof. D Narasimha Reddy as a member to suggest ways and means of making the Hari Om Ashram Awards, Swami Pranavananda Saraswati Awards and the Veda Vyas Sanskrit Award more attractive and increase the status of the awards. The Chairman of Committee was authorized to co-opt any other member(s) for the above purpose.*

*Action: JS (SA)*

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**4.03** To consider and approve selections of Post Doctoral Fellowship for SC/ST candidates for the year 2010-11.

*The Commission decided that applications of candidates, who are employed or are receiving fellowships from any other source, may also be considered keeping in view the fact that the guidelines of the scheme of Post Doctoral Fellowships for SC/ST candidates do not debar such candidates from availing themselves of these fellowships. However, no selected candidate should receive dual fellowship/salary at the time of the award.*

*Further, it was decided that the hundred vacant slots for the year 2010-11 may be filled up on the basis of merit as per the selections already made by the Expert Committee.*

*Action: JS (SA)*

### SECTION-5

#### (GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

**5.01** To consider the status of funding of Deemed to be Universities.

*The Commission considered the status of funding of Deemed to be Universities and decided that a Committee may be constituted with Prof. Yogendra Yadav as its Chairman to develop a clear policy for funding of Deemed to be Universities. The Chairman of the Committee may co-opt any other member(s) for this work.*

*The Commission further decided that a status report on funding of Deemed to be Universities under Plan and non-Plan during X and XI Plan periods may be prepared and sent to Prof. Yogendra Yadav and other Committee Members. It was decided that the recommendations of the Committee may be placed before the Commission at its next meeting.*

*Action: JS (DU)*



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**5.02:** To consider the request received from National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) (Deemed to be University), New Delhi for establishment of Centre for Policy Research in Education.

*The Commission considered the request received from National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) (Deemed to be University), New Delhi for establishment of Centre for Policy Research in Education and decided that since NUEPA is directly funded by the M/HRD, the Ministry may take the final view in regard to the funding of the Centre directly from M/HRD.*

*Action: JS (CPP-I)*

### SECTION-6

#### (MISCELLANEOUS)

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

*Recorded Separately.*

**6.02:** To receive the status notes on UGC Programmes/Scheme.

- (i) Status of Implementation of OBC Reservation in admissions and utilization of funds in Central Universities.

*The Commission considered the status note on implementation of OBC reservation in admissions and utilization of funds in Central Universities and expressed concern over the fact that many universities have not taken steps to fully utilize the grant released by the UGC. The Commission decided that the Chairman, UGC may write letters to the Vice-Chancellors of all such Universities, which have not made considerable progress in utilizing the grant.*

*Action: JS (CU)*

- (ii) *Recorded Separately.*

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**6.03** To note the date and place of the next meeting of the Commission.

*The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled to be held on 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2012 at Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla. It was decided that all the Bureau Heads shall make a presentation on the schemes being dealt with by them along with the suggestions for XII Plan.*

*Action: All Bureau Heads/Director (Admn.)*

**(N. ADIL KAZMI)  
SECRETARY**

**(VED PRAKASH)  
CHAIRMAN**