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PREFACE

In the discharge of its commitment to higher education, the UGC has been implementing a wide range of schemes and programmes which are expected to lead to progressive improvement of higher education in the country. This compendium of UGC schemes includes such of the concerns as address the 11th Five Year Plan (FYP) objectives of providing access, equity, quality, excellence, relevance and value orientation in the field of higher education. It also takes into account that several innovative old schemes of the past are continued, ensuring at the same time that the new schemes focus on creating and nurturing excellence to meet the global challenges of higher education.

The purpose of bringing out this compendium is to make available in a single document the whole range of interventions with which the UGC has been involved in formulating and implementing during the current plan period. As will be seen from the details given synoptically about the various schemes, it will be evident that wide ranging concerns are reflected in as many as 63 schemes covering all facets of the Higher Education System. Details pertaining to all these schemes may, however, be accessed either through the UGC's website or through the printed guidelines.

It is hoped that this compendium will be of great help to all the stakeholders in the field of Higher Education and they will make all efforts to benefit from it both institutionally and individually.

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UGC INTERVENTIONS TOWARDS QUALITY ENHANCEMENT IN HIGHER EDUCATION: An Overview

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Higher Education system in post-independent India has experienced a rising graph of developments in all sectors of Higher Education. Both central and state Governments have extended support to and set up institutions to provide the level of competent human resource needed for social, economic and ethical development of the nation. The contribution of the UGC in this connection has to be seen in this light. In order to accomplish the multi-dimensional objectives of Higher Education, it has formulated and implemented from time to time certain schemes which can lead to the realization of the goals of higher education by providing academic, administrative and financial assistance to the University and the Higher Education System in its entirety. The schemes can be categorized as serving the following institutional sectors :

- (i) Schemes exclusively meant for universities.
- (ii) Schemes meant exclusively for colleges.
- (iii) Schemes meant for both universities and colleges.
- (iv) Schemes meant for professional development of faculty of universities & colleges and for recognition of academics of eminence.

Enabling Universities to strive towards Excellence

Improvement of infrastructure and basic facilities in central, state and deemed to be universities has engaged the attention of the UGC ever since its inception in 1956. A host of areas including infrastructure, buildings, campus development, faculty, central library, equipments, innovative research activities, extension activities and outreach programmes, ICT requirement of the University, university health center, student amenities and assistance for overcoming damages caused by natural calamities/disasters have been a charge on the schemes formulated and implemented for this purpose. The UGC has also extended its one-time catch up grant to the State Universities which are otherwise uncovered under the UGC development grants by enabling them to overcome their deficiencies and gradually become eligible for UGC grants.

The UGC supports 'operation faculty recharge' through strengthening high quality research in science related disciplines and promote innovative teaching in the universities through induction of fresh talent at the level of Professors, Associate Professors, and Assistant Professors. Many universities require the support of professionals and experts beyond those available to the university in its regular faculty especially in strengthening high quality research in science-related disciplines, at internationally competitive level and in promoting innovating teaching in universities. Besides, it has provided positions of Adjunct Faculty and Scholars-in-Residence to enrich the teaching and research programmes of the university system at M.Phil and Ph.D levels. As a fillip to promoting and coordinating a think tank in designated disciplines, there is a provision for establishment of Rajiv Gandhi Chairs in certain universities; at present this chair is established in 24 subjects covering 10 universities.

The establishment of Academic Staff Colleges is to serve as nodal centers in certain identified universities for the purpose to offer orientation and refresher courses for academic and professional development of the faculty of universities and colleges to newer concerns in educational thought and pedagogy besides advanced level programmes in university disciplines of teaching and research. In order to identify and support the University departments that have the potential to undertake quality teaching and research in basic and allied disciplines, UGC supports a Special Assistance Programme (SAP) in such Universities. UGC also supports researches to promote inter-regional comparative perspectives by promoting holistic understanding of certain area studies in cultural, social, economic and strategic concerns and to provide critical inputs to the policy makers, particularly in India's economic, strategic and political interest.

The UGC has envisaged centers with potential for excellence in specified areas of knowledge domains and has planned to identify such centers in 25 universities in the 11th Five Year Plan. UGC is

also committed to establish Universities With Potential For Excellence; presently 9 universities are assisted and it is envisaged to add 6 more to this category. In order to strengthen the support base of the qualified faculty, the UGC provides for Fellowships to M.Phil and Ph.D. scholars in central universities which are not in receipt of any other Fellowship from any other sources. UGC has formulated a developmental assistance programme for upgradation of existing new Management Departments to undertake quality teaching, research, training and consultancy in this field.

UGC continues to support the establishment of computer centers as a central facility for the growth and development of teaching, research in addition to computerization of administration, finance, examinations and admission procedure in the universities. It also supports UGC-INFONET connectivity programme as well as Digital Library Consortium.

The universities have an obligation to promote certain social areas of development of individuals, particularly overall development of students, teachers and other staff of the universities and has initiated a scheme for promotion of yoga education and practice of positive health in the university system.

The university system cannot survive on funding by the Governments alone. The UGC has encouraged the university system to mobilize resources and to evolve a process of participation of society in the universities and to evolve methods of providing consultancy services to raise the resources.

Colleges as Foundation of Higher Education Edifice

Colleges are playing a significant role in the field of higher education through a variety of formats namely constituent colleges, affiliated colleges and autonomous colleges. The UGC provides grants to colleges for strengthening basic infrastructure and meet their basic needs like book banks, scientific equipment, campus development, teaching aids, hostel and sports facility. In this institutional category, it not only includes colleges which are included under Section 2(f) and declared fit to receive central assistance under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act but also provides one-time catch-up grant to publicly funded colleges not covered under Section 12(B). The developmental assistance is made available to Colleges for construction of buildings, women's hostels, etc. To achieve expansion in higher education with focus on inclusion, equity and quality, UGC provides financial assistance to Colleges located in educationally backward districts.

Professional growth of individuals is a key to the professional development of the institution as a whole. To provide an opportunity to College teachers to pursue their academic and research interests, the teachers have the benefit under Faculty Development Programme which can enable them to undertake work leading to M.Phil/Ph.D. degree, besides providing them facilities for organizing and participation in Conferences / Workshops and Seminars, and apart from providing facilities for maintenance of scientific instruments in colleges covered for grants under the scheme.

In order to recognize the contributions of colleges which are performing at an elevated level of excellence, the UGC has recognized about 340 Autonomous Colleges with freedom to design their own curricula and conduct examinations and award degrees under the seal of the university to which they are affiliated. Established colleges with proven record of innovative models of teaching-learning and research can also be updated to colleges with potential for excellence. The UGC has been supporting as many as 247 Colleges under the scheme of Colleges with Potential for Excellence.

UGC has established / upgraded Network Resource Centres in Colleges to create awareness and to give exposure to staff and students about the use of computers in various academic and administrative activities of the institution. Colleges which are completing anniversaries of 50 and 100 years are assisted for undertaking any activity related to renovation of old building and construction of new buildings which may be monumental and worth the occasion.

Enabling Universities and Colleges towards Performing Multidimensional Roles

Nurturing the academic growth and development in both Universities and Colleges within the jurisdiction of the universities is important for the progress of higher education. In order to strengthen teaching-learning process in the universities and colleges and to improve its quality, UGC provides additional assistance to universities and about 5,500 colleges already covered under section 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956.

The National Policy on Education 1986/92 has laid special emphasis on the education for women empowerment. In furtherance of this idea, a scheme has been in existence to encourage development of women studies in the universities and colleges. Connected with this is a scheme for sensitizing the higher education system through policies and procedure which recognize women equity and diversity and facilitate their advancement. The concern of equity in higher education has also been achieved through the establishment of special cells for SC/ST in universities, deemed to be universities, grant in aid institutions and Inter University Centres (IUCs) receiving central assistance. UGC encourages new ideas and innovations through identification of institutions and supporting them to develop specialized courses in emerging areas. The question of putting human rights at the center stage of education and to have balanced human development has been attempted through programmes of awareness of human rights, human duties and human values.

Media has a great role to play in giving a new orientation to higher education and this requires feeding to the higher education channels, high quality video programmes. The task has been given to Media Centres established in the Universities and Colleges.

The pedagogical enrichment of methods of transaction of curriculum need not be over emphasized. The role of contemporary technologies in improving the quality of teaching and learning is a very important concern for improving the quality of higher education. The development of e-content in various domains of university disciplines and audio-video programmes through teleconferencing is a dire need of the hour. The Consortium for Education Communication (CEC) has an important responsibility in this regard and the UGC supports this intervention through the CEC and the establishment of Media Centres and Associated Media Centres.

Vocationalization of education has been a serious concern which was expressed and articulated in the report of the Education Commission 1964-66. The idea should have fructified at the school level so that its extension could be implemented at the university and college level. The UGC has conceptualized the idea of introducing career-oriented courses in universities and colleges along with courses for conventional degrees in science, commerce and arts. It is expected that the higher education system will take full benefit of the provisions of such a scheme.

Equally important is the need for establishment of internal quality assurance in institutions of higher education with the objective of proper planning, guiding and monitoring quality assurance and quality enhancement activities. It is expected that these cells may channelise and systematize the efforts and measures of an institution towards academic excellence.

A scheme for detailing the contributions of Epoch making social thinkers of India is available up to the completion of the 11th Five-Year Plan. The generation of inspirational educational thought and content has a great role in the reconstruction of the society on moral, ethical and spiritual foundations. Strengthening teaching and research in social sciences and humanities as well as development of sports infrastructure has also remained an important concern of the UGC.

Issues that emerged some time back by the way a particular radioactive material was disposed off from the laboratories of a premium Indian University caught the attention of the UGC and it considered it imperative to issue guidelines to universities, research institutes and colleges for procurement, storage, usage and disposal of radio active and other hazardous material/chemicals to safeguard the system.

No education system can survive if new ideas and innovations are not encouraged. Important concerns in each area of university domain through scheme of innovative/emerging areas have been evolved in encouraging universities and colleges to design and innovate in various disciplines and emerging areas in the global context of education. The importance of life long learning in the continuum of process of learning is to be appreciated. The UGC has provided a scheme of life long learning and extension, to be provided in the universities to enable them to provide research-based ideas that can be absorbed by the social sectors.

Professional Development of Faculty in Higher Education and Recognition of Academics of Eminence

An individual scholar is the fundamental brick to generate the edifice of the higher education system. UGC recognizes this aspect by creating postgraduate merit scholarships for university rank holders at the undergraduate level, provides opportunities to meritorious candidates to undertake advanced studies and research leading to Ph.D. degrees in sciences, social sciences and humanities, junior research fellowships in engineering and technology and Research Associateship for foreign nationals. It has instituted Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Post Doctoral Fellowship in humanities and social sciences including languages, Dr. D.S. Kothari Post Doctoral Fellowship in sciences, medical sciences and engineering sciences, Post Doctoral Fellowship to women candidates and Postgraduate Indira Gandhi Scholarship for the single girl child pursuing higher education. To provide SC/ST candidates opportunity to undertake advanced studies and research leading to M.Phil and Ph.D. degrees in sciences, humanities and social sciences and engineering & technology, UGC has introduced Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for SC/ST candidates. There are 100 research awards for individual teachers who are regularly appointed permanent teachers of universities to pursue research in areas of their specialization, apart from major and minor research projects.

The potential of superannuated teachers who have made significant contributions during their career is sought to be utilized and a scheme of Emeritus Fellowships has been made available to such academics for a period of 2 years or upto the age of 70 whichever is earlier. There are also Research Awards for individual faculty to pursue independent research in any specialized area. A scheme of providing special honorarium to teachers who are Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar awardees and are Fellows of the India National Science Academy (INSA), New Delhi; National Academy of Science (NASc), Allahabad; Indian Science Academy (ISA) Bangalore, and Indian National Academy of Engineers (INAE), New Delhi is implemented in recognition of the honour bestowed by these Academies on persons of eminence.

Promotion of research in Universities and Colleges is extremely important for Universities and Colleges and this concern is supported through sanction of both minor and major research projects to institution of higher learning.

Professional Association of Teachers play a significant role in creating a culture of knowledge sharing and this is supported by UGC through a scheme to encourage teachers and researchers to participate in Conferences/Seminars/Workshop to present their researches and publish papers. The facility of travel grant to College Teachers, College Librarians, Vice- Chancellors, Commission Members and UGC Officers is available as a support for continuing professional development.

The above concerns have been reflected in the 63 schemes of the UGC which have been synoptically profiled in the subsequent pages, covering the objectives of each scheme, the criteria for becoming eligible to receive financial assistance from the UGC, the operational tenure of the scheme and the process of selection followed in approving the proposals, and finally the quantum of financial assistance that can be provided to execute the scheme. It is hoped that the university system will take full advantage of these interventions towards quality enhancement in higher education.

ABBREVIATIONS

AEC	Atomic Energy Commission
AERB	Atomic Energy Regulatory Board
ASC	Academic Staff College
CAS	Centre for Advanced Studies
CCMC	Central Connectivity Monitoring Committee
CD-ROM	Compact Disc- Read only Memory
CEC	Consortium for Educational Communication
CPE	Colleges with Potential for Excellence
CPWD	Central Public Works Department
CSIR	Centre for Scientific and Industrial Research
CV	Curriculum Vitae
DA	Dearness Allowance
DPR	Detailed Project Report
DSA	Departmental Special Assistance
DRS	Departmental Research Support
EBDs	Educationally Backward Districts
ENCORE	Enhancing Faculty Resources of Universities
FYP	Five Year Plan
GATE	Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering
HEIs	Higher Educational Institutions
HOD	Head of the Department
HRA	House Rent Allowance
HRVE	Human Rights and Value Education
ICAR	Indian Council of Agricultural Research
ICSSR	Indian Council of Social Science Research
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
IMF	Instrumentation Maintenance Facility
INFLIBNET	Information and Library Network
INFONET	Information Network
IQAC	Internal Quality Assurance Cell
IUC	Inter University Centre
ISP	Internet Service Provider
LOR	Learning Object Repository
JRF	Junior Research Fellowship
M.E.	Master of Engineering
MHRD	Ministry of Human Resource Development
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
M.Phil	Master of Philosophy

M.Tech.	Master of Technology
NAAC	National Assessment and Accreditation Council
NBA	National Board of Accreditation
NET	National Eligibility Test
NGO	Non-Government Organisation
NOC	No Objection Certificate
NRC	Network Resource Centre
OBC	Other Backward Classes
PDF	Post-Doctoral Fellowship
PH	Physically Handicapped
Ph.D	Doctor of Philosophy
PG	Post Graduation
PPP	Public Private Partnership
PWD	Public Works Department
QA	Quality Assurance
QE	Quality Enhancement
R&D	Research and Development
SAP	Special Assistance Programme
SAM	Sensitisation Awareness Motivation
SC	Scheduled Castes
SE	Superintending Engineer
SRF	Senior Research Fellowship
ST	Scheduled Tribes
TA	Travel Allowance
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
UG	Undergraduate
UGC	University Grants Commission
UPE	University with Potential for Excellence

Schemes Exclusively Meant for Universities

1. General Development Assistance to Central, State and Deemed to be Universities

Objectives

To *improve* the infrastructure and basic facilities in Central, State and Deemed to be Universities.

Eligibility Criteria

- Universities recognized under Section 2(f) and 12 B of the UGC Act 1956 and receiving Plan or Non-Plan grants from UGC.
- Deemed to be Universities receiving Plan or Non-Plan grants from UGC.

Tenure

XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012)

Selection Process

- Proposal for XI Plan assistance to be submitted by the University to UGC.
- Visiting Committee constituted by UGC would inspect the institution and allocate grants under the following heads:
 - o Infrastructure – Buildings
 - o Campus Development
 - o Staff
 - o Central Library
 - o Equipment
 - o Innovative Research Activities
 - o New Extension Activities and Outreach Programmes
 - o ICT Requirements of the University
 - o Health Centre
 - o Student Amenities
 - o Jubilee Grants
 - o Assistance for overcoming damages caused by natural calamities / disasters
- In addition to the above, assistance under the following schemes 16 is also merged with the Development grant. The objectives and financial assistance under these schemes are given below:

Travel Grant

To provide support to teachers/ scientific/ Technical Officers/ Administrative Staff, all Administrative Officers of University from Administration, Finance and Examination viz., Pro Vice-Chancellor /Rector Registrars, Finance Officer, Controller of Examination, Librarians, and Director Physical Education and other group 'A' Officers in these cadres for participating in international conferences/seminars/ symposia/ workshops held abroad.

Permanent Faculty Strength as on 1st April of the previous year	UGC support per year (₹ in lakh)
Up to 50	3.00
51-100	5.00
101-300	8.00
Above 300	12.00

▪ **CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS/SYMPOSIA/SHORT-TERM TRAINING PROGRAMMES**

To organize programmes like short-term (less than 15 days) workshops or training programmes/ seminars/symposia and International/ National/ Regional /State level conferences.

Permanent Faculty Strength as on 1st April of the previous year	UGC support per year (₹ in lakh)
Up to 50	3.00
51-100	4.00
101-300	5.00
Above 300	7.00

▪ **PUBLICATION GRANT**

To support Universities for publication of Doctoral thesis, high quality research papers, Lectures delivered such as National Lectures of UGC or lectures instituted in the name of leading personalities, Scholarly contributions of the faculty (not text-book) and seminar or conference papers.

Permanent Faculty Strength as on 1st April of the previous year	UGC support per year (₹ in lakh)
Up to 50	3.00
51-100	4.00
101-300	5.00
Above 300	7.00

▪ **APPOINTMENT OF VISITING PROFESSORS/FELLOWS**

To appoint eminent scholar in his/her field, generally a person who has held or is holding the post of Professor or a person who has achieved distinction outside the university sector.

Permanent Faculty Strength as on 1st April of the previous year	UGC support per year (₹ in lakh)
Up to 50	2.00
51-100	3.00
101-300	4.00
Above 300	6.00

▪ **DAY CARE CENTRE**

- To help the working parents in pursuing their job and / or academic career, the UGC provides day care facilities on payment basis at universities for children of teachers / University's employees upto six years of age.

- A one time lump-sum grant of ₹ 5.00 lakh will be provided by UGC to Day Care Centre of the University. Thereafter, the UGC shall not support the scheme. The grant should be utilized for acquiring essential facilities.

▪ **ADVENTURE SPORTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT**

- To create an enabling environment for sports in the universities; to foster amongst the students a spirit of cooperative team work, the capacity to face and effectively deal with challenging situations with courage and determination.

- The UGC would be providing grant upto ₹ 50.00 lakh for creation of sports infrastructure, equipment and for conducting Adventure Sports.

▪ **SPECIAL SCHEME FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WOMEN'S HOSTELS**

- To provide hostels and other infrastructure facilities to achieve the goal of enhancing the status of women and harnessing the potential available for the development of the society at large;
- To bring about gender equity and equal representation of women, the Commission has decided to continue the special scheme for the construction of women's hostels during the XI Plan Period.

(Amount ₹ in lakh)

Women Enrolment	Non-Metro	Metro
Upto 250	₹ 60.00	₹ 120.00
Upto 251-500	₹ 80.00	₹ 160.00
More than 500	₹100.00	₹ 200.00

▪ **BASIC FACILITIES FOR WOMEN**

- To provide assistance for creating and strengthening infrastructure for women students, teachers, researchers and non-teaching staff members in universities
- ₹ 50.00 lakh will be provided to universities for creation, maintenance and upgradation of infrastructure under any one or all of the following - Ladies toilets, Ladies Common Room/Cyber Café, Gymnasium and Medical Room.

▪ **FACULTY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME (FIP)**

To provide an opportunity to the teachers of the Universities to pursue research leading to award of M.Phil./ Ph.D.

Permanent Faculty Strength	Financial Assistance (₹ in lakh)
Upto 50	10.00
51-100	15.00
101-300	20.00
Above 300	25.00

Contingency Grants - A Teacher Fellow will be eligible for reimbursement of actual contingency expenditure subject to a maximum of ₹15,000/- per year.

Travel Allowance - The Teacher fellow will be entitled to reimbursement of actual train fare or bus fare as per his/her entitlement according to University rules. The expenditure to be incurred in this regard is to be met out of the contingency grant.

Salary of the Substitute Teacher - The salary of the substitute teacher, appointed by the University in place of a teacher selected for award of teacher fellowship, will be reimbursed by the UGC.

▪ **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CELL**

- To give 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 Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBC (non-creamy layer), Minorities in order to enhance the employability and success.
- One time grant of ₹ 2.00 lakh for establishing office of Equal Opportunity Cell may be provided under the scheme.

- **COACHING SCHEMES FOR SCHEDULED CASTES / SCHEDULED TRIBES / OBC / MINORITIES**
 - To provide Remedial Coaching at Undergraduate and Postgraduate level for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Minority Communities Students;
 - To provide coaching for entry into services for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Minority communities students;
 - To provide coaching scheduled castes, Scheduled tribes and minority communities Candidates to prepare for National Eligibility Test (NET) or State Eligibility Test (SET) for Lecturership.

Non-recurring items: A “one time” grant up to ₹ 5.00 lakh for each scheme during the XI Plan period for the following items:- Books and Journals, Audio-visual and teaching/ learning aid material, Computers with Printer, Photocopier, Generator or Inverter, Language Library and Any other (to be specified).

Recurring Items: ₹ 7.00 lakh for universities for each scheme for expenditure on the following items:- Honorarium to the Coordinator of the schemes @ ₹ 2,000/- per month, remuneration to teachers and scholars*, part-time staff with computer knowledge (on contract basis) @ ₹ 6,000/- p.m., part time Peon/Attendant @ ₹ 1,000 p.m. and Contingency - ₹ 50,000/- p.a.

- * Remuneration at the rate of ₹ 300/- per hour per subject to the teachers and ₹ 200/- per hour to postgraduate students/ Research Scholars could be paid for theory classes and ₹ 150/- per hour respectively for Practicals. Generally, a faculty member should not teach for more than 2 hours a day.
- * However, in exceptional cases where an eminent educationist is invited for Special lecture, the remuneration @ ₹ 500/- per hour and admissible T.A. could be paid with the approval of the Head of the Institution. The payment of remuneration to the participating teachers, PG students and research scholars may be paid regularly every month without waiting for the pending grant from the UGC.

The final amount of grant to be allocated would depend upon the number of schemes, the number of students enrolled for the schemes in the proposal, and the decision of the Committee appointed for serving the applicants for these schemes.

- **ESTABLISHMENT OF CAREER AND COUNSELING CELL IN UNIVERSITIES**

To support the students in the development of soft skills and communication ability to challenge the rigors of competitive tests and on-job-training in add-on or vocational courses.

i)	Non-recurring ₹ 2 lakh	(Computers with internet for the entire period of the Plan), Laser Printer, Photocopier, FAX.
ii)	Recurring ₹ 5 lakh p.a.	Salary of counsellor (Hiring charges, TA/DA for services of Resource persons, payment of Honorarium, Reading material, Contingency etc.).

▪ **SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT FOR UNIVERSITIES IN BACKWARD/RURAL/ REMOTE/BORDER AREAS**

- To focus attention on universities located in backward/ rural/remote/border areas and to improve infrastructure; To achieve optimum teaching, equity and access at least to the threshold level.
- ₹ 100.00 Lakh (One Hundred Lakh) as one time grant during the XI Plan if it falls under one of the above categories. The grant would be ₹ 1.25 crore if it falls under two of the above categories and ₹ 1.50 crore if it falls under more than two categories.

▪ **SPECIAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT FOR YOUNG UNIVERSITIES AND REJUVENATION GRANT FOR OLD UNIVERSITIES**

- To match the increased demand for both quality and quantity in higher education demands better academic and physical infrastructure new universities are being established every year;
- To develop their infrastructure, which requires substantial funding since they are new and are normally devoid of such infrastructure at the time of their establishment
- One time grant during the XI Plan maximum limit for the same being:
 - i) Young Universities ₹ 1.00 crore
 - ii) Rejuvenation grant ₹ 1.00 crore

For old universities

▪ **INSTRUMENTATION MAINTENANCE FACILITY (IMF)**

- To provide effective and economical services in the repair and maintenance of scientific instruments and electronic hardware; to satisfy the users of instruments and electronic hardware regarding the quality of the service;
- To provide facilities for staff development through training and opportunities to exchange experience with other IMFs and centres providing similar services around the country

Staff: Technical Officer-1 @ ₹ 15,000/- per month on contractual basis for the XI Plan period. Minimum Qualification: B.E./B.Tech. or equivalent in Instrumentation/ Electronics with at least 3 years experience in repairs and maintenance of instruments. One of them could be for computer lab for which the qualification would be - MCA with adequate knowledge of Hardware	₹ 1,80,000/-p.a.
Technician-2 @ ₹ 10,000/- per month on contractual basis for the XI Plan period. Minimum Qualification : 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.	₹ 2,40,000/-p.a.
Essential spares, components, contingencies for instrument repair and maintenance	₹ 1,00,000/-p.a.
Training programmes	₹ 50,000/-p.a.

▪ FACILITIES FOR DIFFERENTLY-ABLED PERSONS

Teacher Preparation in Special Education (TEPSE)

- to encourage Universities to start M.Ed. special education courses, to prepare teacher educators to serve in higher education institutions offering special education teacher preparation courses.
- Non-recurring upto ₹ 2.00 lakhs (If B.Ed or M.Ed Special Education Course).
- ₹ 4.00 Lakh (if both B.Ed & M.Ed Special Education Course).

Higher Education for Persons with Special Needs (HEPSN)

- To provide equal educational opportunities to differently-abled persons in higher education institutions.
- To create awareness among the functionaries of higher education about the specific educational needs of differently-abled persons.
- To equip higher education institutions with the facilities to provide access to differently-abled persons.
- To provide special devices to higher education institutions that will augment the learning experiences of differently-abled persons.
- To monitor the implementation of all existing and future legislation and policies, which are pertaining to higher education of differently-abled persons.
- Honorarium Coordinator of ₹ 4,000/- p.m.
- Honorarium to Counsellor-cum-Placement Officer of ₹ 3,000/- p.m.
- Awareness Programme of ₹ 4,000/- p.m.
- Contingency of ₹ 30,000/- p.a.
- Enabling Unit arranging Awareness Programme of ₹ 40,000/- per Unit per year.
- Special Facilities of ₹ 10.00 lakhs during the Plan period.
- Purchase of devices of ₹ 8.00 lakhs

Visually-handicapped Teachers

- To provide facility to help visually challenged permanent teachers to achieve self dependence by using various aids for teaching, learning and research.
- Visually challenged teachers of ₹ 18,000/-

Financial Assistance

Generally, quantum of financial assistance is determined by the type of the University (Central/State/Deemed) and its staff and students' strength.

2. One time catch-up grant to Non -12-B State Universities funded by the State Governments

Objectives

- To *extend* support to State Universities who remain uncovered by UGC Development Grants owing to deficiencies in infrastructure and other parameters, and thereby to make them eligible to receive regular UGC development grant by removing their deficiencies.
- To *enable* Universities to bridge the quality gap by contributing towards quality and excellence in higher education.

Eligibility Criteria

- State University funded by the State and listed under Section 2(f) by the UGC Act.
- The State University shall already satisfy 50% of Section 12 B criteria and the amount required to bridge the deficit (both academic and physical infrastructure) shall not exceed ₹ 10 crore.
- The State Government should give undertaking to provide matching grant upto 50% of the financial inputs required.
- Approvals for developmental / engineering works must be ready and the University to prove that the work is pending only for want of funds.
- Undertaking from the University that it will complete all the work and satisfy Section 12 B criteria fully by the end of the XI Plan.

Tenure

This is a one time grant till the completion of XI Five-Year Plan.

Selection Process

- Proposal from the university will be evaluated by an Expert Committee constituted by UGC which will submit its recommendations to UGC for final decision.
- The assistance is subject to a mid-term review by UGC-appointed Visiting Committee.

Financial Assistance

Limited to a maximum of ₹ 5 crore for infrastructural development.

3. Operation Faculty Recharge : Initiative for augmenting the research and teaching resources of Universities

Objectives

- To *strengthen* high quality research in science related disciplines at internationally competitive level and promote innovative teaching in universities through induction of fresh talent in the academic faculty.
- Ultimate aim is to induct 1,000 positions in the next 5 years.
- Initially, 200 positions are to be inducted in the following ratio:

Assistant Professors 80

Associate Professors 80

Professors 40

Eligibility Criteria

- Scheme is open to fresh as well as in-service teachers.
- The criterion is envisaged to be rigorous yet flexible.
- Ph.D. with Post-doctoral experience with substantial publications is the minimum requirement.

Selection Process

- Wide 'rolling advertisement' is given for filling up the positions (both national / international).
- Selection is a two-tier process.
- Subject experts shortlist the application based on the CV/recommendation letters.
- Final selection is based on personal appearance before an apex level, multi-disciplinary committee (through Video conferencing for overseas candidates).
- Nationally selected candidates will be placed through harmonization of their own preference, response of the host institution.
- Agreement is formalized between the university and UGC for providing of research facilities / guidance / teaching opportunities (6 hours per week-maximum) / housing facilities to the new inductees.
- Candidates are required to submit a research project outlining the thrust and expected output. Appropriate funding will be dovetailed to the Award.

Tenure

- Initially, for a period of 5 years subject to review with the provision to terminate, extend or elevate.
- The teaching position can go up to the age of superannuation subject to peer review every 5 years.

Financial Assistance

Salary and other prerequisites of the awardee to be at par with their counterparts in Central Universities.

4. Enhancing Faculty Resources of Universities (ENCORE)

Objectives

- To *enlarge and deepen* the learning process in the universities in India by enlisting the help of professionals and experts from outside the university and college system.
- To *stimulate* quality and globally comparable research at M.Phil and Ph.D. levels.
- To cumulatively *enrich* academic milieu in the universities, so as to sustain knowledge-creation and quest for excellence.

Eligibility Criteria

- Universities recognized under Section 2(f) and 12 B of the UGC Act and Deemed to be Universities which are receiving Plan or Non-Plan grant from UGC.
- The following are the allocation criteria for Adjunct Faculty and Scholars-in-Residence

Type of University	Adjunct Faculty	Scholars-in Residence
Central University	5	2
State University	2	1
Deemed to be University	1	1

Tenure

- Adjunct Faculty (Total of 706 positions on a given time basis)
- One academic year/two semesters. Scholars-in-Residence (Total of 512 positions on a given time basis).
- Ranging between 6 to 24 months.

Selection Process

Adjunct Faculty

Younger and mid-career professionals / specialists from organizations under AEC, ICSSR, CSIR, ICAR, etc. with PG or doctoral qualifications. Professionals from PSUs and business houses R&D cells are also eligible.

Scholars-in-Residence

- Senior professionals and specialists from organizations under AEC, ICSSR, CSIR, ICAR, etc. with PG or doctoral qualifications. Professionals from PSUs and business house R&D cell also eligible.
- Scheme will be given wide publicity using different media, in India and abroad.
- Faculty members of University intending to benefit from the Scheme will also play proactive role in identifying and motivating professionals / experts.
- Concerned Universities to do advance planning and set up Search/Selection Committee to finalize the selection.

Financial Assistance

UGC will provide assistance to universities under this scheme through unassigned grants in respect of the following:

Adjunct Faculty

₹ 1,500/- per teaching hour/session subject to a maximum ₹ 30,000/- p.m. per person.

Scholars-in-Residence

₹ 80,000 per month + contingency grant of ₹ 1,00,000 p.a. In addition, the University to provide them suitable office and residential accommodation.

5. Establishment of Rajiv Gandhi Chairs in Universities

Objectives

- At present, this Chair is established in 24 subjects covering 10 Universities.
- To coordinate and provide a think tank in the area of studies, drawing expertise and inputs from academic experts, Government, NGOs and International organisations.
- To provide forum for inter-university/inter-collegiate PG and research level dialogues involving other academic institutions.
- To design & execute capacity-building programmes for teachers in Higher Education, focussed towards the designated discipline of the Chair.
- To strengthen the role of academic institutions in public policy making.
- To conduct short-term courses & Ph.D. programmes in the concerned area.

Eligibility Criteria

The person eligible for Rajiv Gandhi Chair should be in the age group of 50 – 65 years.

Tenure

A period of five years

Selection Process

3 -Member Search Committee to be constituted by the Vice- Chancellor of the University in which nominee of Chairman, UGC is a Member.

Financial Assistance

The following assistance is given on 100% basis:

Salary of :

- Chair Professor in the scale of pay of ₹37,400-67,000 +Grade pay ₹10,000
- 1 Professor in the grade of Professor in National Institutes
- 1 Post-Doctoral Research Associate
- 3 JRFs with provision for upgradation to SRF as per UGC norms
- 2 Technical Assistant level positions

In addition:

- ₹1,00,000/- p.a. as Library grant
- ₹1,00,000/- p.a. as Contingencies
- ₹50,000/- p.a. towards travel/Conduct of seminar/ conference / workshop as per UGC norms.

6. Academic Staff Colleges

Objectives

- To *enable* newly appointed Lecturers to understand education as well as higher education in Indian and global contexts.
- To *understand* the linkages between education and economic and socio-economic and cultural development with particular reference to Indian Polity.
- To *acquire* and *improve* the art of teaching at University/ College level.
- To *update* the lecturers of the latest developments in their specific subjects
- To encourage the use of ICT in teaching and learning process.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities who satisfy the following:

- Availability of resources/experience or organizing university leadership or similar programmes.
- Experience of organizing orientation programmes, refresher courses, short term courses, workshops, etc.
- Availability of facilities for the production of material and use of teaching aids.
- Availability of resource persons.
- Availability of housing facility for 50-60 participants and Resource Persons throughout the year.

Tenure

Assistance is decided upon Plan to Plan basis; currently up to the end of XI Five-Year Plan.

Selection Process

A Committee of Experts constituted by UGC decides on the application of the University on the basis of merit and forwards it to UGC, who after consideration of their Report conveys its decision.

Financial Assistance

- UGC provides 100% assistance
- The salary of the Staff is on actual basis.
- In addition, the following is given:
 - o Books ₹ 1,00,000/- p.a.
 - o Equipment ₹ 1,00,000/- p.a.
 - o Participant cost as per norms (TA/DA & Hospitality to participants and Resource Persons, Honorarium to Course Co-ordinators, cost of reading material)
 - o Working Expenses ₹ 5,00,000/- lump sum p.a.

The following additional assistance is provided for organizing courses:

Refresher Course

- o Non-Science Subjects ₹ 30,000/- p.a.
- o Science Subjects ₹ 40,000/- p.a.

Orientation Programme ₹ 30,000/- p.a.

Seminar / Workshop /

Training of Academic

Administrators ₹ 1,00,000/- p.a.

UGC provides ₹ 20 lakh to each ASC for establishment of Computer Lab.

UGC also provides 100% financial assistance subject to a maximum of ₹ 75 lakh towards construction of Guest House for ASC.

7. Special Assistance Programme

Objective

- To *identify and support* university departments that have the potential to undertake quality teaching and research programmes in various educational disciplines including allied disciplines (Programme to be relevant to societal needs and have society and industry interaction).
- To *make* research a catalyst for good teaching and introduction of new courses relating to identified thrust areas.
- To *establish* linkages with research organizations and to use their expertise innovatively to support research in the universities.
- To *enhance* infrastructural facilities.
- To *utilize* the output of research for the development of the nation and the society.
- To train and create quality human resource in identified thrust areas.
- To search for newer / generic area(s), its promotion and nurturing.

Eligibility Criteria

A University / department which qualifies under section 2 (f) and 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956 and has potential to undertake quality teaching and research can submit its proposal for induction under SAP. The department should have at least one Professor, two Readers and three Lecturers to become eligible for induction under SAP.

Tenure

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Selection Process

Proposals duly prepared as per the guidelines of the Special Assistance Programme received from the University Departments through proper channel will be scrutinized and short-listed by the Subject Expert Committees constituted by the UGC.

Financial Assistance

The maximum limit of financial assistance for a period of five years at different levels of the programme will be as under:

Programme/Status	Assistance* (Rs. In lakhs)	
Science, Engineering & Technology	Maths, Statistics, Humanities and Social Sciences	
CAS	150	100
DSA	100	75
DRS	75	60

- Inclusive of salary of teaching staff and Research Associate/Project Fellow

8. Centres with Potential for Excellence in Particular Areas (Envisaged to identify 25 Universities during XI Plan)

Objectives

- To *encourage* and *facilitate* the chosen Departments at the selected University to work together and collaborate in their programmes and activities, cutting across departmental/discipline barrier;
- To *launch* new and innovative academic, research, extension programmes;
- To *initiate* programmes/activities of regional /national / international interest and importance;
- To *reach* a leadership position in their chosen fields/ areas in a short time; and
- To *serve* as a repository of available knowledge in the country in the particular area identified for the University.

Eligibility Criteria

Essential

- Universities recognized under Section 12 B of UGC Act 1956, Deemed to be Universities which are receiving Plan grants from UGC and are awarding UG/PG degrees.
- Experience in conducting PG/M.Phil/Ph.D. programmes of high standard in chosen area.
- Action plan to associate three or more departments for joint work and executed MoU in this regard and identified co-ordinators.
- Participating departments must have been identified under CAS/DSA/DRS.
- Accreditation by recognized agency.
- At least one faculty in the identified department who enjoys reputation at national/international levels

Desirable

- Demonstrated competence through academic accomplishments with sufficient evidence.
- Distinct contributions in the chosen area and competence in application-oriented research work for the development of the society.

Selection Process

- Universities to apply in the prescribed format.
- UGC Office to scrutinize applications in respect of fulfilment of essential criteria.
- Scrutinized applications to be considered by UGC Standing Committee and shortlisted for further evaluation.
- Expert Committees constituted by UGC to visit the shortlisted universities and after evaluation to submit their Report to the Standing Committee.
- The Standing Committee after considering the Report to submit its recommendations to UGC.
- UGC to finally select the Universities under the Scheme and approve the Action Plan and Budget for each University.

Financial Assistance

For Humanities / Social Sciences subjects
₹ 5 crore*

For Sciences / Technology subjects
₹ 7 crore*

*Not to be utilized for construction or development of physical infrastructure

Tenure

Initially for a period of five years, extendable for five more years subject to annual/summative review.

9. Area Study Centres in Universities

Objectives

- To *promote* holistic understanding of the area with its cultural, social, economic and strategic specificities and to provide critical input to the policy makers particularly in India's economic; strategic and political interest.
- To *promote* alternative paradigm of area studies from the perspective of post-colonial societies.
- To *contribute* towards Indian perspectives of the region and issues.
- To *conduct* researches to promote inter regional comparative perspective.

Eligibility Criteria

- Universities recognized under Section 12 B of UGC Act; Deemed to be Universities which are receiving Plan or Non-Plan grant from UGC.
- Proposals for the new Centres will be considered as Pilot projects. **(Project Mode)**.
- Availability of infrastructure and academic expertise, academic work (teaching/research) will be the guiding factor.
- **No University can have two Area Study Centres for the same region.**

Tenure

Initially for a period of five years subject to the outcome of mid-term evaluation.

Selection Process

- University to apply in the prescribed proforma.
- UGC may also invite proposals on advice of Standing Advisory Committee / Ministry of External Affairs as also from a particular region .
- Proposals received are shortlisted by the Standing Advisory Committee.
- Shortlisted proposals are subjected to on-the-spot evaluation by an Expert Committee, constituted by UGC.
- The recommendations of the Expert Committee are placed before UGC for its final decision.
- Monitoring is done by UGC every 5 years and the financial allocation is made for 5 years on the recommendations of the Expert Committee.

Financial Assistance

In the Project Mode, the following assistance is given on 100% basis:

Non-recurring (₹ 15.00 lakh)

(Towards office furniture, books & Journals, field work, operational expenses, publications, visiting faculty & seminar/symposium/conference)

Recurring

- One faculty position (Associate Professor/ Assistant Professor/ Documentation Officer).
- Two Research Associates/ Project Associates or Project Fellows.

10. Universities with Potential for Excellence

(Presently 9 universities are assisted and it is envisaged to assist 6 more during XI Plan)

Objectives

- To achieve excellence in education, training, research and governance to face the challenges of future;
- To strengthen the academic and physical infrastructure for achieving excellence in teaching, learning, research and outreach programmes;
- To promote flexible and effective modes of governance;
- To enhance the quality of the learning process and teaching at the UG & PG levels with flexible credit-based modular system and a whole range of innovations currently accepted across the world;
- To promote academic programmes relevant to social and economic needs of the nation in general and the region in particular;
- To improve under-graduate education in Colleges by interfacing of the Post-graduate programme;
- To introduce Examination Reform Programmes like semester system, continuous internal evaluation, credit systems, etc.;
- To promote autonomy and decentralization
- To promote networking with other Centres, Departments and laboratories in the country;
- To undertake any activity that may lead to Excellence in all the domains listed above.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities with the following credentials:

- 5 Star grading by NAAC or 'A' grade and above in 9 point grading system or 'A' grade under the new grading system introduced in 2007.
- Well established Internal Quality Assurance System operating in the University
- Yearly reports of quality sustenance and enhancement since the last accreditation by NAAC.
- At least one CAS or two Departments of SAP in any subject.

Tenure

Initially for a period of 5 years, extendable for a maximum period of 10 years subject to review at the end of each year and a summative evaluation at the end of 5 years.

Selection Process

- Universities to apply in the prescribed format.
- Universities to be invited to attend a Workshop which will be attended by Educationists, Experts from Quality Management, Subject Experts and UGC Officers to discuss the concept of Excellence, Goals and Objectives of the Scheme as well as the approach for the preparation of Action Plan.
- Within 30 days of the Workshop, the Universities to submit an Action Plan which should include a 2- page note on Focussed Area(s) and a 2- page note on Holistic Development of the University, including the Budget
- Working Group as prescribed in the Guidelines and constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assign scores to the parameters.
- Based on the score, the Standing Committee to shortlist 9 Universities for further evaluation.
- Expert Committees to visit the shortlisted Universities and after evaluation to submit its Report to the Standing Committee.
- The Standing Committee after considering the Report to submit its recommendations to UGC.
- In turn, UGC to select the Universities under the Scheme and approve the Action Plan and Budget of the University.

Financial Assistance

The quantum of assistance shall be based on the evaluation report of the Expert Committee; the ceiling is ` 25 crore.

11. Establishing/Upgradation of Computer Centres in Universities

Objectives

To set up a Computer Centre as a Central facility for the growth and development of teaching, research, other related activities in addition to the work relating to the administration, finance, examination, admission procedures of the University.

Eligibility Criteria

For Establishment

- Universities recognized under Section 12 B of the UGC Act; Deemed to be Universities which are receiving Plan or Non-Plan grants from UGC.
- Universities which do not have any Computer Centre or have a Computer Centre set up within a period of 2-3 years without any financial assistance from UGC

For Upgradation

- Second time assistance is given to those universities which received assistance to upgrade their hardware.

Those Universities who have already availed two time assistance during X Plan are not eligible.

Tenure

- Up to the completion of XI Five-Year Plan Period.
- For the UGC sanctioned posts the assistance will be for three years from the installation of hardware or from the date of filling up of the first post whichever is later.

Selection Process

For Establishment

- University to apply in the prescribed proforma.
- Proposals received are examined by an Expert Committee in an Interface meeting wherein representatives of the Universities are invited.
- Normally this exercise is carried out in the month of October/November of every year and the approval of the UGC is conveyed in the month of December/ January every year.

For Upgradation

- University to apply in the prescribed proforma.
- Proposals received are examined by an Expert Committee and if need be, an on-the-spot evaluation may also be conducted.

Financial Assistance

For Establishment

Non-recurring: ₹ 70 lakh

(Towards hardware and software)

Recurring

- One Director (Existing Staff/HOD/Dean)
- One System Analyst
- One Technical Assistant
- One Personal Assistant

For Upgradation

- Only non-recurring grant of ₹ 50 lakh.
- No recurring grant is provided.

12. UGC-INFONET Connectivity Programme

Objective

To provide internet connectivity to the universities with an aim to facilitate delivery of education material including electronic journals and bibliographic databases to the remotest areas of the nation. The network infrastructure also acts as a medium for collaboration among teachers and students, not only within the country but also all over the world.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities recognized by UGC under Section 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

Decision on selection of Internet Service Provider (ISP) is taken on the recommendation of Central Connectivity Monitoring Committee (CCMC) in consultation with UGC depending on their national presence and their ability to handle a country-wide network of more than 200 universities spread all over the country.

Tenure

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Financial Assistance

UGC provides funds to the INFLIBNET Centre required for providing Internet connectivity to the universities.

13. UGC-INFONET Digital Library Consortium

Objective

To provide access to qualitative electronic resources, including full-text and bibliographic databases, to academic institutions at lower rates of subscription.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities recognized by UGC under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

Proposals are invited from publishers of e-resource. Negotiation for subscription to resource is done by Negotiation Committee constituted by Governing Body of INFLIBNET Centre.

Tenure

XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012)

Financial Assistance

UGC provides funds required for subscription to e-resources for all the universities under the Consortium, to the INFLIBNET Centre.

14. Promotion of Yoga Education and practice of Positive Health in Universities

Objectives

To impart special education in activities in Yoga, Positive Health, Personality Development for the overall development of Students, Teachers and Staff of the Universities.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities recognized under Section 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956.

Tenure

Up to the completion of XI Five-Year Plan Period.

Selection Process

- University to apply in the prescribed format.
- Applications will be evaluated by an Expert Committee appointed by UGC.

Financial Assistance

For 'Yoga'

₹ 2,00,000/- (one time grant)
(Towards Equipment/furnishing)

+

₹ 2,40,000/- p.a. towards honorarium to two instructors

For 'Positive Health'

₹ 35,000/- per programme towards organizing 3-5 days awareness programme.

University can organize a maximum of two programmes in a calendar year.

15. Incentives for Resource Mobilization

Objectives

- To encourage universities to mobilize resources.
- To evolve a process of participation of society in University development
- To encourage University to provide consultancy services on payment basis.

Eligibility Criteria

- Central Universities
- Universities recognized under Section 12 B of UGC Act, 1956, receiving Plan or Non-Plan grants from UGC.
- Deemed to be Universities receiving Plan or Non-Plan grants from UGC.
- IUCs established under Section 12(ccc) of the UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

- Universities to apply by 30th September every year for the resources mobilized during the preceding year.
- Resources mobilized can be in cash, kind, etc.
- For donations received in kind such as Land, Buildings, are to be evaluated and certified by the competent authority of the District and signed by the Officer not below the rank of SE of PWD / CPWD.
- Applications received are processed and placed before UGC for its consideration and approval.
- Universities to create a corpus with resources mobilised.
- They can utilize only the interest earned from the corpus on construction and other specified infrastructure and academic development.

Tenure

XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012); i.e. Universities can avail this grant for the resources mobilized upto 31.03.2011.

Financial Assistance

The contribution of UGC will be limited to 25% of the resources mobilized for a particular year subject to a maximum of ₹ 50.00 lakh p.a.

16. Development Assistance for Upgradation of Existing and New Management Departments

Objectives

- To undertake quality teaching, research, training and consultancy in management for meeting the ever-growing challenges of globalisation of higher education.
- To *encourage* faculty participation in Faculty Development Programmes, professional conferences, workshops including faculty deputation in an industry for 3-6 months, to up-date and enrich their knowledge-base and develop closer professional and industrial contacts.
- To *develop* teaching material including cases which will help students to relate concepts with practices.
- To *encourage* grant of academic, administrative and financial autonomy to the Management Department by the University
- To *monitor*, assimilate and disseminate knowledge (Knowledge Management)

Eligibility Criteria

- U n i v e r s i t y / M a n a g e m e n t Department/School/Institute offering 2 year full time M.B.A. programme as notified under Sections 2 (f) and 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956
- Existing Departments must already have minimum faculty strength of **seven** members — full-time and permanent — 1 Professor, 2 Associate Professors and 4 Assistant Professors for an intake of 60 students.

Tenure

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Selection Process

- A C o m m i t t e e o f E x p e r t s examines/evaluates the proposals.
- Departments are asked to make a presentation.
- The Commission takes the final decision based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee and also the availability of funds under the scheme.

Financial Assistance

A. First Time Assistance

Non-Recurring	₹ in lakh
Equipment	15.00
Book and Journals	10.00
Building	15.00
(Building including	
Extension)	

Recurring	₹ in lakh
Teaching Post- Visiting Professor-One (upto Plan period)	ACTUALS
Teaching Innovations/ Case Studies @ ₹.1.00 lakhs p.a.	05.00
Faculty Development Programme @ ₹0.80 lakhs p.a.	04.00
Visiting Faculty from Industry/ Profession @ ₹1.00 lakhs p.a.	05.00
Field Work & Research @ ₹0.80 lakhs p.a.	04.00
(Contingency/Working Expenses/including TA/DA for Expert of the Monitoring Committee @ ₹1.40 lakhs p.a.	07.00
University-industry interaction @ ₹1.00 lakh p.a.	05.00
TOTAL	30.00
Total of Non-Recurring and Recurring= ₹40.00 lakh + ₹30.00 lakh = ₹70.00 lakh	

B. Upgradation of Existing Departments (one time grant)

Non-recurring	₹ in lakh
EquipmentBook and JournalsBuilding (Building including Extensions)	15.00 5.00 10.00
TOTAL	30.00
Recurring	₹ in lakh
1. Visiting Faculty from Industry/Profession @ ₹ 2.00 lakh p.a. 2 Teaching Innovation & Faculty Development Programme/ Field Studies /Case Studies & Contingencies Including TA/DA for Expert of Monitoring Committee @ ₹ 2.00lakh p.a.	₹10.00 ₹10.00
TOTAL	20.00
Grand total of Non-Recurring and Recurring = ₹ 30.00 lakh + ₹ 20.00 lakh = ₹ 50.00 lakh	

Schemes Exclusively Meant for Colleges

17. Development Grants to Colleges (14 merged schemes)

Objectives

- To *provide* grants to the Colleges for strengthening basic infrastructure and meet their basic needs like book banks, scientific equipment, campus development, teaching aids and sports facilities
- To *provide* assistance for extension/renovation of existing Buildings and construction of new buildings
- To *provide* assistance to the Colleges catering to the needs of the students belonging to the ST/SC/OBC(Non-creamy layer) Minority Communities as well as Physically Challenged and economically deprived students coming from families Below Poverty Line (BPL)
- To *develop* Colleges situated in educationally backward areas/ rural/border/ hill/ remote/tribal areas to remove regional imbalances and disparities
- To *provide* grant for the rejuvenation of old Colleges and 'catch-up' grant to young Colleges
- To *encourage* capacity building initiatives (starting of new courses and increasing the intake capacity of existing courses)

Eligibility Criteria

Colleges included under Section 2(f) and declared fit to receive central assistance under Section 12 B of the UGC Act.

Tenure

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Selection Process

- Proposal for assistance to be submitted by the College to UGC.
- The following schemes are merged with the General Development Assistance:
 - **Rejuvenation of Infrastructure in Old Colleges :**
- To assist old colleges, established before 15th August, 1947, renovate buildings, including classrooms, laboratories, staffroom, common room, hostels, etc. or for the construction/extension of classroom/ laboratory or other infrastructure based on the most essential and critical requirements.
- ₹ **15.00 lakh** towards the renovation of buildings, including classrooms, laboratories, staffroom, common room, hostels, etc. or for the construction/extension of classroom/ laboratory or other infrastructure.
 - **'Catch-up' grant for Young Colleges:**
- To provide assistance for the construction of building and for the purchase of furniture and fixtures for classrooms and laboratories constructed not earlier than the year preceding submission of the proposal.

- To provide grant for purchasing books and subscribing journals (including e-journals), procuring scientific and teaching equipment and sports kit.
- Maximum ₹**12.00 lakh**. The amount allocated for building should not exceed ₹ **9.00 lakh**.
- **Colleges located in Rural/Remote/Border/Hill/Tribal Areas**
- To reduce locational disparities and increase access to higher education by providing residential accommodation for students and teachers on rental basis, development and implementation of location specific curricula and conveyance allowance to deserving students of colleges located in the above mentioned areas.
- A college would be eligible for assistance up to ₹**10.00 lakh**.
- **Colleges with relatively higher proportion of SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) and Minorities**
- To encourage access of students belonging to SC/ST/Minority communities, OBC (non-creamy layer) students, students facing financial constraints and physically challenged (differently-abled) students.
- A college would be eligible for assistance up to ₹**6.00 lakh** for providing a stipend of ₹ 500/- per month to 100 students for purchasing books, stationery and for incurring contingent expenditure.
- **Special grant for Enhancement of intake capacity in Colleges**
- To provide infrastructural facilities to colleges for increasing the intake capacity of existing courses as well as for starting new teaching programmes.
- ₹ **7.00 lakh** for increased intake capacity or for introducing new courses for Books & Journals, Equipment, Construction /extension of classroom and laboratory and Furniture and fixtures for the newly constructed classroom/ laboratory.
- **Establishment of Day Care Centres in Colleges**
- To help women and working parents (college employees) to pursue their career without having to worry about their children during working hours;
- To provide a secure place and environment during working hours for children of male/female college employees/scholars/students
- One time lump-sum grant of ₹ **2.00 lakh** for acquiring essential facilities.
- **Colleges in Backward Areas**
- To provide assistance for development of infrastructure and teaching learning resources to colleges located in educationally backward districts, thereby giving the eligible population access to better opportunities in higher education.
- The ceiling of assistance will be ₹**12.00 lakh**. A college may seek assistance for the construction of building - the type to be decided on the basis of the most critical requirements. **The amount to be allocated for building construction should not exceed ₹ 9.00 lakh.**

▪ **Establishment of UGC- Network Resource Center (UGC-NRC) in the Colleges**

- To create awareness among staff and students about the use of computers in various activities like administration, finance, examination and research;
- To have an access to multimedia material in teaching and learning at places of eminence in India & abroad.
- The ceiling of assistance is ₹ 3 lakh for Hardware, Software and Fax Modem (Internal or External) Maintenance & Internet Connectivity.

▪ **Remedial Coaching for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBC (non-creamy layer) , Minorities**

- To improve academic skills and linguistic proficiency of the students in various subjects;
- To raise their level of comprehension of basic subjects to provide a stronger foundation for further academic work.
- To strengthen their knowledge, skills and attitudes in such subjects, where quantitative and qualitative techniques and laboratory activities are involved so that proper guidance and training provided under the programme may enable the students to come up to the level necessary for pursuing higher studies efficiently.
- Non-recurring items – **not to exceed:**
 - i) Equipment : ₹ **3.00 lakhs**
 - ii) Books and Journals and Study Materials : ₹ **2.00 lakhs**
- Recurring items – **not to exceed ₹10.00 lakhs** for the Plan period.

▪ **Equal Opportunity Centres in Colleges**

- To oversee the effective implementation of policies and programmes for disadvantaged groups, to provide guidance and counselling with respect to academic, financial, social and other matters and to enhance the diversity within the campus.
- To meet contingency expenditure, expenditure for organizing meetings and honorarium to the Advisor, as given below:
- Assistance to the Postgraduate Colleges and Undergraduate Colleges to the tune of ₹ 50,000/- and ₹ 30,000/- per annum respectively. The honorarium for the Advisor shall be at the rate of ₹ 1000/- per month.
- ₹ 25,000/- per annum to organize a short-term course on positive discrimination of SC and ST for national development at the beginning of every academic session for newly enrolled students.

▪ **Coaching for NET/SET for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBC (non-creamy layer), Minorities**

- To prepare SC /ST candidates and candidates from Minority communities for appearing in NET or SET, so that sufficient number of candidates become available for selection of Lecturers in the University system from these groups.

- Non-recurring items – **not to exceed:**

- Equipment: ₹ **2.50 lakhs**

- Books and Journals and Study Materials: ₹ **1.00 lakh**

- Recurring items – **not to exceed ₹ 7.5 lakh** for the Plan period.

▪ **Coaching Classes for entry in services for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBC (non-creamy layer) , Minorities**

To prepare students belonging to SC / ST/ OBC (non-creamy layer) and Minority communities to get gainful employment in Group 'A', 'B' or 'C' Central services, State services or equivalent positions in the private sector.

- Non-recurring items – not to exceed:

i) Equipment : ₹ **3.00 lakhs**

ii) Books and Journals and Study Materials: ₹ **2.00 lakhs**

- Recurring items – not to exceed ₹ **10.00 lakhs** for the Plan period.

▪ **Schemes for Persons with Disabilities**

Higher education for persons with special needs (HEPSN);

- To provide equal educational opportunities to differently-abled persons in higher education institutions;

- To create awareness among the functionaries of higher education about the specific educational needs of differently-abled persons;

- To equip higher education institutions with the facilities to provide access to differently-abled persons;

- To provide special devices to higher education institutions that will augment the learning experiences of differently-abled persons;

- To monitor the implementation of all existing and future legislation and policies, which are pertaining to higher education of differently-abled persons.

- **Financial assistance to visually challenged teachers**

- To provide facility to help visually challenged permanent teachers to achieve self-dependence by using various aids for teaching, learning and research @ ₹18,000 p.a.

- **Higher Education for Persons with Special Needs (HEPSN)**

The HEPSN scheme has three components.

Component 1

Establishment of Enabling Units for differently-abled persons in colleges

Budgetary provision of ₹ 50,000 p.a. and ₹4,000 per month for honorary coordinator of the unit

Component 2

Providing Access to Differently-abled persons

UGC will make a one-time grant of up to ₹ **5.00 lakh** per college during the Plan period.

Component 3

Providing Special Equipment to augment Educational Services for Differently-abled Persons Colleges are encouraged to procure devices such as computers with screen reading software, low-vision aids, scanners, mobility devices and provide facility of Readers for visually challenged students. The UGC will provide an ad hoc one-time grant of up to ₹ 1.5 lakh per college.

▪ **Career and Counselling Cell in Colleges**

- To gather information on job avenues and placements in different institutions and concerns related to the courses that the College offers;
- To analyse information in the local, regional and national contexts to explore its relevance and utility for the students in their placements and on-job training;
- To organise seminars and guidance workshops for informing students about the emerging professional trends and events, job profiles, leadership roles, entrepreneurship, market needs and risks and implementation of national socioeconomic policies;
- To impart training in soft skills and to promote discipline, healthy outlook and positive attitudes towards national integration and removal of narrow provincial preferences and prejudices.

Non-recurring ₹ 2 lakh (Computers with internet for the entire period of the Plan Laser Printer, Photocopier, FAX).

- **Recurring ₹ 1 lakh p.a.** (Hiring charges, TA/DA for the services of a Counsellor, Resource persons, payment of Honorarium, Reading material, Contingency etc.)

18. One-time Catch-up Grant to Uncovered (Non-12B) Colleges

Objectives

(i) To *prioritize* Government Colleges and Government-aided Private Colleges, which are found wanting in infrastructure and on other quality parameters and which have, therefore; remained uncovered by UGC development grants;

(ii) to *extend* support to these colleges so that they are able to remove the infrastructure deficiencies and become eligible for UGC development grants by the end of the XI Five-Year Plan period; and

(iii) to *enable* these colleges to bridge quality gaps in their functioning, to become part of the mainstream, and to contribute to quality and excellence in higher education in the country.

Eligibility Criteria

- The College shall be either a Government college or a Government aided Private College under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, but has not thus far received UGC development grants under Section 12B.
- The College shall, at the time of application, meet at least 50% of permanent affiliation criteria as stipulated by the affiliating University.
- The State Government concerned as well as the Trust/Society (where applicable) shall submit an undertaking regarding cost-sharing as prescribed under the Guidelines of the Scheme.

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- The College shall assess the financial inputs required to improve its physical infrastructure and such facilities as library, classrooms, laboratory, etc., Accordingly, it shall develop a detailed project report (DPR)
- The College shall submit the DPR to the State Government concerned through the affiliating University, for their approval/concurrence. Subsequently, the College shall submit the DPR along with the approval/ concurrence of the affiliating University as well as that of the State Government, to UGC.
- An Expert Committee constituted by UGC shall evaluate the DPR. The decision of the Commission in this regard shall be final and binding.

Financial Assistance

- UGC assistance shall be limited to a maximum of ₹ 2.00 crore for infrastructure development.
- UGC assistance under the Scheme (50 % or 60 %, as the case may be) shall be limited to a maximum of ₹1.00 crore (₹1.20 crore for the North East).
- UGC shall release 50% of the allocation as the first installment. The second installment of 35% shall be released only after the State Government concerned releases 50% of its committed share towards non-recurring expenditure.
- The third installment of 10% of the allocation shall be released on receipt of the Utilisation Certificate in respect of the second installment.
- The final installment shall be released after completion documents of the building project are submitted to UGC.

19. Development Assistance to Colleges for the Construction of Building

Objectives

To *provide* financial assistance to Colleges for construction as well as renovation/extension (of existing buildings) viz. class-rooms, library, laboratories, administrative block, staff quarters, hostels and other buildings, etc. The aim is to help Colleges in the consolidation and expansion of infrastructure.

Eligibility Criteria

Colleges included under Section 2(f) and declared fit to receive central assistance under Section 12 B of UGC Act.

Selection Process

On submission of documents by the Institution seeking grant under this scheme, UGC will process the proposal and convey its approval.

Financial Assistance

UGC will provide financial assistance for the construction and renovation/extension of existing buildings on 100% basis within the approved ceiling.

- 50% of the approved grant will be released while conveying UGC's final approval to the Plan and Estimates.
- 40% of the approved grant will be released on receipt of the audited Utilisation Certificate and audited Statement of Income and Expenditure along with progress report of the first installment indicating the stage of construction
- Remaining 10% of the grant will be released on receipt of the Completion documents.

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20. Construction of Women's Hostel for Colleges

Objectives

To *support* Colleges for Construction of Women's Hostels for providing a residential place for women students/ researchers/ teachers and other staff.

Eligibility Criteria

Colleges included under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

Institution seeking grant under this scheme may submit its proposal in the prescribed proforma as and when applications are invited by UGC.

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Financial Assistance

Women Enrolment (average of three academic sessions+)	Amount (₹ in lakh) in respect of Non-Metropolitan cities	Amount (₹ in lakh) in respect of Metropolitan cities
Up to 250	40.00	80.00
251 - 500	60.00	100.00
More than 500	80.00	120.00

21. Establishment of New Degree Colleges in Educationally Backward Districts with Low (GER)

Objectives

To *enhance* the access to degree courses in EBDs of the country, so as to achieve expansion in higher education with inclusion, equity and quality.

(The Scheme is essentially a motivational mechanism for State Governments to uplift under-served districts educationally by providing appropriate financial assistance.)

Eligibility Criteria

- The College has to be established under the new initiative of the Planning Commission pertaining to new degree colleges to be **set up during the XI Plan period**, on or after 1st January, 2008.
- The College shall preferably be a constituent unit of a University which is covered under Section 12B of UGC Act or it shall have to be permanently or temporarily affiliated to a University covered under Section 12B of UGC Act.
- The College shall be receiving Plan and/or Non-Plan grant from the State Government and/or Central Government or State/Central Government funded bodies on continuous basis.

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Selection Process

- The State Government concerned shall decide where the Model College is to be located with due consideration to the priorities.
- The State Government shall identify the affiliating State University having jurisdiction over the EBD of the Model College.
- The affiliating University shall prepare a detailed project report (DPR) and submit the same to UGC with the proposal in proforma, complete in all respects including justification for each item for which financial assistance is sought, along with its Undertaking and the Undertaking from the State Government.

Financial Assistance

- non-recurring (capital cost) ₹ 8.00 crore
- recurring ₹ 1.5 crore per annum (₹1.0 crore per annum towards salaries and ₹ 0.5 crore per annum towards maintenance).
- The assistance from the Central Government through UGC shall be limited to 1/3rd of the capital cost with a ceiling of ₹ 2.67 crore per College, and the balance has to be met by the State Government concerned. The State Government will also undertake the full liability for recurring expenditure.
- For Special Category States, ratio of financial assistance will be 50 (UGC): 50 (State Government) in respect of Capital expenditure.

22. Faculty Development Programme for Colleges

Objectives

- To *provide* an opportunity to the teachers of the Colleges to pursue their academic/research activities leading to the award of M.Phil./ Ph.D. degree.
- To *provide* an opportunity to the teachers to present papers in academic conferences/ seminars or participate in workshops and exchange knowledge and ideas.
- To *provide* opportunity to young faculty members to spend a short period (not less than two weeks and not more than two months) at institutions of their choice, for a better academic exposure.

Eligibility Criteria

Colleges included under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956.

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Selection Process

On receipt of the recommendations of Selection Committee (constituted by the concerned College), UGC shall decide on award of the Fellowship and the period thereof.

Financial Assistance

- A Teacher Fellow is eligible for actual contingency expenditure, subject to a maximum of ₹ 15,000/- per year.
- Salary of the substitute teacher will be paid by UGC in the minimum pay scale.
- For participating in academic conferences, the teachers shall be paid TA/DA as per rules of the College.
- The ceiling of assistance for short term visit of young faculty members will be as under (for the entire plan period)

No. of permanent/ Regular Teachers	Ceiling for the entire plan
Up to 25	₹2.00 lakh
Up to 50	₹3.00 lakh
Up to 100 and more	₹5.00 lakh

23. Organising Conferences, Workshops and Seminars in Colleges

Objectives

To *bring* together academicians and experts from different parts of the country and abroad to exchange knowledge and ideas in order to provide an in-depth analysis of subjects and update the knowledge of the participants from academic/ research institutions.

Eligibility Criteria

Colleges included under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

The Expert Committee considers the proposals and give its recommendations. The final decision will be taken by UGC, keeping in view the recommendations made by the Expert Committee.

Prior permission of UGC is required in case the date(s) and/or venue for the activity (activities) is (are) to be changed.

Financial Assistance

- State Level Conference/ Workshop/ Seminar ₹ 1.00 lakh.
- National Level Conference/ Workshop/ Seminar ₹ 1.50 lakh.
- International Conference/ Workshop ₹ 2.00 lakh

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24. Autonomous Colleges

Objectives

- To *determine* and *prescribe* its own courses of study and syllabi, and restructure and redesign the courses to suit local needs;
- To *prescribe* rules for admission in consonance with the reservation policy of the state government;
- To *evolve* methods of assessment of students' performance, the conduct of examinations and notification of results;
- To *use* modern tools of educational technology to achieve higher standards and greater creativity;
- To *promote* healthy practices such as community service, extension activities, projects for the benefit of the society at large, neighborhood programmes, etc.

Eligibility

Colleges under Section 2(f), aided, unaided, partially aided and self-financing which are or are not covered under Section 12 B of UGC Act. This includes Engineering Colleges also. The College should have a minimum of 10 years' existence and should also have NAAC/NBA Accreditation.

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Selection Process

- UGC will invite proposals from Colleges seeking autonomous status, once in an academic year in September/October. The individual University can also send circulars asking the Colleges to apply.
- An Expert Committee may be constituted by UGC for all eligible fresh cases with representation of University and State Government nominees. The Chairman, UGC, may constitute Expert Committee for on-the-spot inspection for consideration of each proposal.
- Autonomy will be conferred initially for a period of six years. The University will notify the Colleges concerned.

Financial Assistance

(₹ in lakh)

Nature of Institution	Amount
Only Undergraduate: 1. Arts/ Science/Commerce – one faculty only 2. More than one faculty:	9.00 15.00
Both Undergraduate and Post-graduate levels: 1. Single faculty 2. Multi-faculty	10.00 20.00

Grant as admissible to Autonomous Colleges will be released by the concerned Regional Offices of UGC.

25. Colleges with Potential for Excellence

Objectives

- To *define* and manage the processes included in the design, development, and delivery of the chosen academic programmes.
- To *strengthen* the academic and physical infrastructure for achieving excellence in teaching, research and outreach programmes that would be comparable to global standards.
- To *promote* flexible and effective governance and academic programmes relevant to the socio-economic needs of the nation.
- To *enhance* the quality of the learning and teaching process at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels
- To *improve* undergraduate education in Colleges by the interfacing of the postgraduate programmes.
- To *promote* networking with University departments, research centres and laboratories in the country and skill oriented programmes.

Eligibility Criteria

- The College should be 10 years old or more. Preference will be given to Autonomous Colleges.
- The College has to be accredited by NAAC/with a minimum of three star/ or 'B' Grade In case the validity period is over, the College should have applied for re-accreditation.
- If a College is a Composite College, it should take immediate steps to de-link the plus-2 courses from the College. On provisional recommendation to be included under the CPE Scheme, it has to confirm in writing that the de-linking has been effected.
(Agricultural, Medical, Dental, Nursing, Pharmacy and Engineering colleges are not eligible to be

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Selection Process

- Applications will be invited through a circular sent to the Principals of Colleges through their parent Universities and through announcements on the UGC website.
- A Working Group shall scrutinize the applications received from the universities, prepare lists, State/ UT-wise, of applicant Colleges arranged according to their ranks based on their scores and submit the lists to the Standing Committee.
- The Standing Committee shall provisionally identify the colleges which have the potential for excellence and UGC shall inform the respective Colleges of their provisional recommendation.
- The Visiting Committee shall visit each of the provisionally recommended Colleges to discuss and finalize the Action Plan and Budget of the College, and submit its recommendations to the Standing Committee.
- The Standing Committee shall make the final selection based on the recommendations of the Visiting Committee and submit the same for approval of UGC.

Financial Assistance

- For Accredited, but not Autonomous College - up to ₹ 100.00 lakh
- For Accredited and Autonomous College - up to ₹ 150.00 lakh
- Non-recurring grant may be 60% and recurring grant may be 40% of the total allocation.
- The financial assistance under the Scheme is for up-gradation and updating of the departments for their further development towards excellence, and shall not be utilized for construction of buildings.
- 50% of the grants may be spent for the development of the highly rated departments as they have evidently proved their potential for pursuit of excellence. The rest 50 % may be spent on the general development of the other departments.

26. Instrumentation Maintenance Facility in Colleges

Objectives

- To *encourage* colleges, Autonomous colleges, post-graduate Colleges to establish an Instrument Maintenance Facility (IMF) as an essential support infrastructure to provide effective and efficient maintenance to their scientific instruments and electronic hardware.
- To *provide* adequate resources as developmental inputs to appoint staff and procure tools/equipments for repairs and maintenance of scientific instruments and electronic hardware
- To *maximize* efficiency through need-based training and documentation in the repair and maintenance of scientific instruments and electronic hardware.
- To *connect* the units so established in the country with each other using information technology so that they can *improve* their performance through an exchange of each others experience and ideas.
- To *monitor* the working of the scheme for its effectiveness and accountability to the users, such as students, teachers, etc.

Eligibility Criteria

Colleges offering post-graduate science courses, under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

A Committee is constituted by UGC to evaluate the proposals and recommend the selection of a certain number of institutions for financial support under the scheme. If necessary, UGC may ask an institution to present its proposal before the Committee who will make specific recommendations regarding the quantum of assistance to be given to the selected College.

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Financial Assistance

- Recurring – ₹5.70 lakh
- Non-recurring (one time grant) – ₹4.00 lakh

27. Establishing / Upgradation of UGC Network Resource Centre in the Colleges

Objectives

To *create* awareness among and to give exposure to staff and students about the use of computers in various activities like administration, finance, examination and research. In addition, the information and communication network would help the Colleges to have an access to multimedia material in teaching and learning from places of eminence in India & Abroad.

Eligibility Criteria

- Colleges, under the Sections 2(f) and 12B of UGC Act, which are not having computer facility so far.
- Second time assistance would be provided to such Colleges as have completed more than five years after first time UGC assistance for network connectivity and purchase of additional computers.

Selection Process

Proposals received are examined by an Expert Committee constituted by UGC. The recommendations of the Expert Committee would then be considered by UGC for final decision. All the selected Colleges have to put a board outside the Centre prominently displaying "UGC NETWORK RESOURCE CENTRE".

Financial Assistance

First Time Assistance

Non-recurring – ₹2.50 lakh
Recurring – ₹12,000/- p.a.

Second Time Assistance

Non-recurring – ₹1,00,000/- lakh
Recurring – ₹12,000/- p.a.

Tenure:

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28. Jubilee Centenary Grants to Colleges

Objectives

Colleges which are completing anniversaries of 50, 100 years will be assisted for undertaking any activity requiring capital expenditure, such as renovation of old buildings and construction of new building which may be monumental and worth the occasion

Eligibility Criteria

Colleges included under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956 which are completing their 50, 100 years during the XI Five-Year Plan

Selection Process

Colleges are required to submit a proposal to UGC through their University along with required documents.

Tenure:

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Financial Assistance

- For Centenary Year (100 Years) ₹50.00 lakh
- For Golden Jubilee (50 Years) ₹ 25.00 lakh

**Schemes meant for
both universities and colleges**

29. Providing Additional Assistance to Universities and 5,500 Colleges already covered under Section 12(B) of UGC Act, 1956

Objective

To *strengthen* teaching and learning process in Universities and Colleges to improve its quality.

Eligibility Criteria

State Universities and Colleges covered under Section 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956.

Tenure

The Scheme will remain operational during the XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012).

Selection Process

- Universities and Colleges to prepare the DPR keeping in view the objective of the Scheme. Universities shall submit their proposal to UGC while Colleges to submit the same to the concerned UGC Regional Offices.
- Proposal alongwith DPR are placed before Expert Committee constituted by UGC.
- Recommendations of the Expert Committee are approved by UGC.

Financial Assistance

- Ceiling for grants to University ₹1.00 crore.
- Ceiling for grants to College ₹ 25.00 lakh.
- The assistance under the scheme shall be treated as additional development assistance during XI Plan Five-Year.

30. Development of Women Studies in Indian Universities and Colleges

Objectives

To *encourage* women's studies in Universities and Colleges.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and colleges recognized under Sections 2 (f) and 12(B) of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

Proposals are received from the Universities and Colleges and assessed by the committee constituted by UGC for the purpose.

Financial Assistance

To meet the needs of the system of classification of Centres of Women's Studies in three phases, Phase-I, Phase II and Phase III, the grant allocation for the above phases for each Centre for the entire Plan period is proposed as under:

(₹ in lakh)

Phase	Allocation in ₹	Allocation in ₹
	Universities	Colleges
Phase-I	5.00	3.00
Phase-II	8.00	5.00
Phase-III	12.00	8.00

Tenure

The Scheme will remain operational during the XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012).

31. Capacity Building for Women Managers in Higher Education

Objectives

- To *increase* the participation of women in higher education management for better gender equity.
- To *sensitise* the higher education system through policies and procedures, which recognise women's equity and diversity, and facilitate their advancement.
- To *ensure* qualitative development of higher education by involving the unutilised pool of women capable of becoming administrators.

Eligibility Criteria

- Universities & Colleges recognized by UGC under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.
- Only those universities/centres and colleges can apply for a training programme, which had nominated one or more woman/women academician(s) and administrator(s) to attend a Sensitisation /Awareness/Motivation Workshop.

Tenure

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Selection Process

- Proposal by the University Department/Centre/School must be forwarded by the Head/Dean through the Vice-Chancellor.
- Proposal by the College must be forwarded by the Head of the Department through the Principal.
- The National Consultative Committee, or the Sub-Committee appointed by it, will consider the proposals periodically, and UGC will forward the decision to the university/college.

Financial Assistance

Workshops	Unit cost in metro cities	Unit costs in non-metro cities
Non-Residential Sensitisation (SAM) Workshops	₹ 2,26,600/-	₹ 2,23,300/-
Residential Sensitisation (SAM) Workshops	₹ 5,65,475/-	₹ 5,32,675/-
Training of Trainers for Residential workshops	₹ 8,85,720/-	₹ 8,32,810/-
Management Skills training workshops	₹ 9,16,575/-	₹ 8,19,500/-
Workshops for Refresher Courses	₹ 7,49,705/-	
Impact Study	₹ 6,59,200/-	

32. Establishment of Special Cells for SC/ST in Universities, Deemed to be Universities and Grant-in-aid institutions and IUCs receiving Central Assistance

Objectives

To *implement, monitor and evaluate* the reservation policies for SC/ST in Universities and Colleges.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and Deemed to be Universities covered under Section 2(f) and eligible for Central Assistance under Section 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956; IUCs receiving Central Assistance.

Selection Process

Proposals received from the universities will be scrutinized by the Committee constituted by UGC.

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Financial Assistance

- Non - recurring: ₹ 2.00 lakh
- Recurring grant on actual basis

33. Innovative / Emerging Areas

Objectives

- To *identify* areas in various disciplines with respect to educational, national and global priorities.
- To *encourage* new ideas and innovations and to provide support for their implementation.
- To *identify* institutions and support them to develop (i) specialized courses at Under-graduate and Post-Graduate levels, including 1 year PG Diploma after Post graduation in emerging areas, and to accommodate (ii) original ideas and innovative proposals to influence teaching, research, academic excellence and societal development.
- To *consider* steps to encourage, promote and make use of brilliant ideas for promoting scientific and technological applications for the benefit of society.
- To *identify* user departments/ institutions who may actively participate and derive benefit from the course or programme and train personnel, and also sponsor students for the course.
- To *provide* financial support for the above purposes in bringing innovation in various disciplines and in Emerging Areas.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities / Institutes / Colleges eligible for financial assistance under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act and are also eligible as per guidelines of the Scheme. The applicant Departments should have the core faculty with specialization in the field of the proposed new courses.

Tenure

5 years from the date of approval.

Selection Process

Proposals to be prepared as per Guidelines in the prescribed form with required information and to be submitted by the University Departments /Institutes/Colleges through the Vice-Chancellor/Registrar. The proposals received shall be scrutinized and shortlisted by the Expert Committee and the eligible and viable proposals are shortlisted for further consideration by the Assessment Committee. The Assessment Committee on the subject areas will submit their assessment report to UGC.

Financial Assistance Non-Recurring

	₹ in lakh
i. Equipment	30.00
ii. Books and journals	2.00
iii. Seminar/Conference (after 3 years of operation of the project) at National level	1.00
iv. Minor equipment /Maintenance Grant	5.00
v. Minor repairs/facilities	2.00
Total	= 40.00

Recurring

i. Working expenses / Contingencies (@₹1.20 lakh p.a.)	6.00
ii. Consumables / Glasswares (@ ₹0.60 lakh p.a.)	3.00
iii. Travel/Field trips (in India only) for teachers/students (@ '0.40 lakh p.a.)	2.00
iv. Hiring services of Technical/ Secretariat assistance (@ ₹ 0.60 lakh p.a.)	3.00
v. Visiting / Guest Faculty (in the identified subject areas (@ ₹ 1.20 lakh p.a.)	6.00
Total (R)	= 20.00
Total limit	= 60 lakhs

34. Setting up of Media Centres/ Affiliated Media Centres

Objective

To *produce* high quality educational video programmes so as to meet the needs of higher education channels.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and Colleges recognized under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

Proposals received for establishment / association of Media / Affiliated Centre are scrutinized and short-listed by an Expert Committee constituted by UGC. The Committee will visit the short-listed University / Institution. The recommendations of the Expert Committee will then be placed before UGC for a final decision.

Financial Assistance to Media Centres

- Non-recurring grant is provided to the tune of '1.00 crore on the recommendations of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of CEC
- Recurring grant is provided on 100% basis. which includes salary to the staff and other establishment expenses.

Financial Assistance to Affiliated Media Centres

- Recurring grant is provided to the tune of ₹1.00 crore but preference is given to the institutions who intend to invest this amount out of their own funds.
- Non-recurring grant is provided by UGC on proportionate basis on the recommendation of the CEC.
- In order to maintain technical standards, the Affiliated Media Centre shall acquire equipment for production of video programme and e-content material as recommended by the TAC of CEC from time to time.
- In case the Affiliated Media Centre contributes in quality production of Educational Programme, e-content etc., within the frame work of the schemes of UGC - CEC, a proportionate funding by UGC may be considered to such Affiliated Media Centres on the recommendation of the CEC.

Tenure

XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012) extendable Plan to Plan basis, based on rigorous review.

35. Career Oriented Courses in Universities and Colleges

Objectives

To *introduce* career and market-oriented, skill enhancing add-on courses that have utility for job, self-employment and empowerment of the students so that at the end of three years, the students will be equipped with a Certificate/Diploma/Advanced diploma in an add-on orientation course along with a conventional degree in Science/Arts/ Commerce.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and Colleges recognized under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956

Selection Process

Proposals are discussed by an Expert Committee constituted by UGC, in an 'Interface meeting', with the representatives of respective institutions.

Tenure

Five years

Financial Assistance

₹ 7.00 lakh per course as one time 'Seed Money' for five years, in Humanities and Commerce streams, and ₹10 lakh in Science stream.

36. Establishment and Monitoring of the Internal Quality Assurance Cells in Higher Educational Institutions

Objectives

To *plan, guide and monitor* Quality Assurance (QA) and Quality Enhancement (QE) activities of the Higher Education Institutions. The IQAC may channelise and systematize the efforts and measures of an institution towards academic excellence.

(The IQACs should not be another hierarchical structure or record-keeping exercise in the institution; it would be a facilitative and participative organ of the institution).

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and Colleges recognized by UGC under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

IQAC is being implemented in two Phases – 1st Phase for Universities (State/Central) and IInd Phase for Colleges. At present the 1st Phase is running during XI Five-Year Plan and for the IInd Phase, UGC will consider proposals for Colleges during XII Five-Year Plan.

Tenure

One time seed money is provided to the eligible Universities and Colleges

Financial Assistance

UGC provides seed money during the XI plan of ₹ 5.00 lakh to each University and ₹ 3.00 lakhs to each College as one time grant, to meet the establishment and strengthening expenditure of IQAC.

37. E-Content Development

Objectives

- To *promote* generation of e-Content in all subjects.
- To *develop* teachers' and experts' resources in e-Content creation.
- To *make available* the e-content to teachers and students through various delivery modes for formal and non-formal education, for supplementing and complementing the process of teaching and learning in higher education.
- To develop partnerships between educational institutions and the IT industry for the continuous development of new content and methodology taking into account contemporary technology.

Eligibility Criteria

Proposals can be submitted to CEC by the following:

- Teachers with experience in undergraduate or post-graduate teaching, including retired teachers associated with Universities and Colleges.
- University/College departments.
- A consortium of Universities.
- Commercial establishments or production houses having related experience in production of e-Content, LoRs and Video.

Tenure

3 years or till the e-content courseware is developed, whichever is earlier.

Selection Process

The proposals received by the CEC will be evaluated by an Academic Standing Committee constituted by UGC. The Committee shall meet once in three months, or more often if needed, to screen the proposals received, engage Production Agency/Agencies for production of each e-Content courseware and recommend the number of modules to be assigned, financial assistance, whether the work assigned is for Content development or Programme development, etc.

Financial Assistance

The Course Coordinator, is paid an honorarium of ₹ 3,00,000/- per subject for a three-year UG Course.

38.Strengthening Social Science and Humanities Teaching and Research Capacity

Objectives

Tata Institute of Science and Economic Political Weekly would formulate a 10 days Modular Course for the Social Scientists to enable them to learn Research Methodology and also motivate them for Research Publications.

Eligibility Criteria

- Each Modular Course may have approximately 50 participants and they may be programmed 4 times in a year with 2 programmes at each of the Academic Staff College(s).
- The invitees /participants may be Assistant Professor(s)/(lecturer(s) from Under-graduate Colleges and Universities.

Tenure

Two programmes by the above two ASCs will be organised annually.

Selection Process

Academic Staff College, Hyderabad and Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi would take up these programmes in their respective Academic Staff Colleges.

Financial Assistance

Participant Cost

The following items are covered under participant cost:

- i. TA/DA to outstation participants and hospitality expenditure,
- ii. TA/DA and honorarium to resource persons,
- iii. Reading material
- iv. Additional working expense
- v. Honorarium to Course Coordinator

Local participants

₹ 100/- per working day per participant will be paid to the ASC for providing hospitality.

Reading material

Up to ₹ 500/- per participant in the form of books/compilations in the form of printed published work or in electronic format.

Resource persons

Outstation Resource Persons may be paid TA/DA. Honorarium to outstation/local Resource Person may be paid @ ₹ 500/- per person per session of 90 minutes with a ceiling of ₹ 1,000/- per day.

Course Coordinator

The University may appoint, if required, one Coordinator in case of each modular course. A lump sum honorarium of ₹ 3,000/- will be admissible to the Coordinator.

39. Research Fellowships in Humanities & Social Sciences

Objective

To *provide* opportunities to candidates to undertake advanced studies and research leading to Ph.D. degrees in Humanities & Social Sciences.

Eligibility Criteria

Candidates from university & colleges covered under 12 B who have been registered for Ph.D. in Humanities and Social Sciences in Departments of Special Assistance identified by UGC.

Selection Process

The University shall select the Research Fellows under the scheme from amongst the eligible candidates through a process of interview by Selection Committee. On receipt of the names, bio-data and joining report of the selected candidates from the University/ Institution, UGC office will accept the candidature of the Fellow and will release the first installment of admissible grants to the Institution/ University on yearly basis

Tenure

Initially for 2 years and on the basis of 3 member Assessment Committee report, the meritorious Fellowship can be extended till the fifth year or the date of submission of the thesis.

Financial Assistance to Universities

Fellowship – ₹13,000/- per month

Contingency – ₹12,000/- p.a.

40. Development of Sports Infrastructure and Equipment

Objective

To *create* and *foster* amongst the students of Universities/Colleges a spirit of healthy participation and cooperative sharing of achievements in games with a capacity to face and effectively deal with challenging situations with courage and determination.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and Colleges which are included under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of the UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

UGC will examine all proposals received through a committee constituted by it. Decisions regarding the proposals/programmes approved by it, together with the admissible grant sanctioned to the University/Colleges, will be taken. The same will be communicated and 50% of the grant sanctioned shall be released to them immediately.

Financial Assistance

Activity	UGC Ceiling
For construction of Play Field	₹ 1.00 lakh to ₹ 4.50 lakh (depending on the size of the field)
For construction of Indoor sports Training facilities	₹ 30.00 lakh to ₹ 70.00 lakh (depending on the size of the field)
For construction of Outdoor sports Training facilities	₹ 12.00 lakh to ₹ 40.00 lakh
For Swimming Pool	₹ 40.00 lakh to ₹ 100.00 lakh
Indoor shooting range (30x20x4 m)	₹ 50.00 lakh
Flood lights of volleyball/ basketball courts	₹ 20.00 lakh

Tenure

XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012)

41. Guidelines for Universities, Research Institutes and Colleges for procurement, storage, usage and disposal of radioactive and other hazardous materials/ chemicals

Objective

To *safeguard* from the effects of radioisotopes and many hazardous chemical substances routinely used for scientific research by Universities and other institutions.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and Colleges covered under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

- University/College needs to submit an application to Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) to obtain consent for procurement and disposal of the material named. AERB inspects the installation site before issue of NOC.
- The consentee is required to submit to AERB periodic status report.

(These guidelines are in the form of safety measures to be adopted by all institutions and monitored by UGC).

Tenure

Does not apply.

Financial Assistance

Does not apply.

42. Epoch Making Social Thinkers of India

Objectives

- To *acquaint* the teachers and students with the thinking and work of Great Indian Thinkers and Social Leaders.
- To *conduct* studies, research and extension programmes and application of ideas of great thinkers in the reconstruction of society on moral, ethical and spiritual foundations necessary for a non-violent social order.

Eligibility Criteria

- Universities and Colleges recognized under sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

Proposals submitted by the University/College are evaluated by the UGC Standing Committee and approved.

Tenure

Up to the completion of XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012).

Financial Assistance

Non-recurring

₹ 3,00,000/-

(Towards Equipment – audio visual aids & computer, etc.)

Recurring

Up to a maximum of ₹ 7,50,000/- p.a.

(Towards books, seminars, lecture series, visiting faculty, Research Associate, etc.)

43. Human Rights and Value Education

Objectives

To *have* balanced human development by way of creating awareness of human rights, human duties and human values.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and Colleges recognised under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

Proposals will be evaluated with the help of an Expert Committee and the eligible University/College will be conveyed the decision.

Tenure

XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012).

Financial Assistance

Financial support for Programmes of Education in Human Rights and related activities is as under:

₹ in lakh

Item	Foundation Course	Certificate Course	Under graduate Course	P.G. Diploma Course	P.G. Degree Course
Books & Journals (one time grant)	1.00	1.50	2.00		
Books & Journals, Periodicals, CD ROMs, audiovisual equipment, computers, etc. (One time grant)	-	-	-	2.00	3.00
Developing advocacy skills (Moot court/ Mock trial wherever applicable) (one time grant)	0.75	-	-	-	-
Guest/ Visiting Faculty(for 5 years)	0.75	1.50	2.00	3.00	4.00
Extension Activities & Field Work(for 5 years)					

Financial support for Promotion of Human Rights standards, social concerns and human development have to be provided for research, teaching and organisation of Conferences/Seminars/Workshops/Lectures and awareness/sensitization programmes and Human Enrichment/Holistic development of human person. A onetime grant will be provided to take up these activities and the maximum ceiling will be ₹10.00 lakh. The proportion of the grant for each activity will be as follows:

- (i). Research – 25% of the ceiling
- (ii). Teaching – 25% of the ceiling
- (iii). Awareness & Sensitization programmes and Human Enrichment/Holistic development and character building, organizing seminar/conference/workshop – 50% of the ceiling.

Sl. No.	Purpose	University	College
1.	Symposia (1/2 days)	₹1,50,000/-	₹75,000/-
2.	Seminar (2/3 days)	₹2,00,000/-	₹1,00,000/-
3.	Workshop(7/10 days)	₹2,50,000/-	₹1,50,000/-

44. Life Long Learning and Extension

Objective

To *provide* universal literacy, opportunities for youth, housewives, agricultural and industrial workers and professionals to continue the education of their choice at the pace suited to them.

Eligibility Criteria

Universities and Colleges recognized under Sections 2(f) and 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

Selection Process

The Commission constitutes an expert committee to examine proposals received from Universities for financial support and review the functioning of the departments.

Tenure

XI Five-Year Plan (2007-2012)

Financial Assistance to Universities

- **Non-recurring grant** ₹ 5.00 lakh
- **Recurring grant** ₹ 10.00 lakh

Financial assistance to Select Colleges

Financial assistance is also provided to 100 Select Colleges in Districts with low literacy among SC/ST population as follows:

- **Non-recurring** grant of ₹ 2.40 lakh for purchase of equipment, etc.
- **Recurring** grant of ₹ 1.00 lakh p.a.

**Schemes meant for professional development
of faculty of universities & colleges and for
recognition of academics of eminence**

45. Post Graduate Merit Scholarship for University Rank Holders at Under-Graduate Level

Objectives

- To *promote* and nurture talent.
- To *reward* meritorious students at UG level and encourage them to pursue PG.
- To *promote* study in basic subjects at UG level. (Professional courses are not covered under this Scheme).

Eligibility Criteria

- UGC has identified the following 8 streams at UG level for students to become eligible to apply:

1. Life Sciences, 2. Physical Sciences, 3. Chemical Science, 4. Earth Science, 5. Mathematical Science, 6. Social Sciences, 7. Commerce, 8. Languages

- In case of General Courses, First and Second Rank Holders of Universities. (A minimum of 60% marks).

- The rank holders would be considered from affiliating universities wherein atleast 100 students and in Deemed/Private Universities(*), Autonomous/Non-affiliated Colleges, at least 25 students have appeared in the examination at undergraduate level in the aforesaid programmes.

(*)(The scheme is not made available to students in private deemed and state private universities until a final decision is taken regarding funding of such universities under schemes benefiting teachers and students of such universities.)

- In addition the student must have got admission in PG Degree in a recognized institution. (A minimum of 60% marks).
- Age up to 30 years at the time of admission in PG course.

Selection Process

The total number of scholarships in the first academic year would be 3,000. The duration of the scholarship will be two years only which under any circumstances will not be extendable.

Tenure

Two years (10 months for each year)

Financial Assistance

- ₹2,000 per month as scholarship
- Students can concurrently avail any other Fellowship, if offered.

46. Research Fellowships in Science for Meritorious Students

Objectives

To *provide* opportunities to meritorious candidates to undertake advanced studies and research leading to Ph.D. degree in sciences

Eligibility Criteria

The candidates who have been registered for Ph.D. in Science subjects in Universities with Potential for Excellence/Centres with Potential for Excellence / Centres of Advance Studies and Departments of Special Assistance identified by UGC.

Selection Process

The eligible candidates will be interviewed by the Selection Committee comprising of (a) an eminent scientist to be nominated by the VC (b) Head of the Department (c) One professor and one Reader from the department to be nominated by the VC (d) Two Experts from outside the university to be nominated by VC

Tenure

Initially for 2 years and on the basis of 3 member Assessment Committee report, the meritorious Fellowship can be extended till the fifth year or the date of submission of the thesis.

Financial Assistance

- Fellowship: @ ₹ 13,000/-p.m.
- Contingency @ ₹.12,000/-p.a.
- After 2nd year, the fellowship @ ₹.15000/-p.m. and Contingency @ ' 25,000/- p.a.

47. JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP IN SCIENCES, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Objectives

To *provide* opportunities to NET-qualified candidates to undertake advanced studies and research leading to M.Phil/Ph.D. Degree in Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences including Languages.

Eligibility Criteria

Candidates who have qualified in NET or UGC-CSIR joint test. The selection for the JRF is made by the Universities/ Institutions/ Colleges.

Selection Process

The qualified candidates have to apply against the advertisements given by the Universities/ Institutions / Colleges recognized under Sections 2 (f) and 12 (B) of the UGC Act. The selection is made as per the procedure of respective institutions.

Financial Assistance

Fellowship	@ ₹ 16,000/-p.m. for initial two years (JRF) @ ₹ 18,000/-p.m. for remaining tenure (SRF) w.e.f. 01.04.2010
Contingency A.	@ ₹10,000/- Humanities Social, p.a. for initial Sciences - two years @ ₹20,500/-p.a. for remaining tenure
Contingency B.	@ ₹12,000/-p.a. for Science initial two years - @ ₹25,000/-p.a for remaining tenure
Departmental Assistance	@ ₹ 3,000/-p.a. per student to the host institution for providing infrastructure
Escort/Reader Assistance	@ ₹ 2,000/-p.m. in case of physically handicapped & blind Candidates.
HRA	As per rule of the concerned institution or Categorization of cities.

Tenure

Total period of 5 years (JRF for 2 years & SRF for remaining tenure) upto submission of thesis, whichever is earlier.

48. Junior Research Fellowship in Engineering and Technology

Objectives

To provide an opportunity to research scholars to undertake advanced study and research in engineering and technology, and agricultural engineering, leading to Ph.D. (Subjects like Geology and Geo-physics are not considered under this scheme).

Eligibility Criteria

Master's degree in engineering/technology/pharmacy, with 55 per cent marks. GATE is not a mandatory condition for getting a research fellowship to pursue Ph.D. Candidates need to hold an M.E./M.Tech. degree. The age limit is 40 years as on 1 July of the year of award, extendable by five years for women and SC/ST candidates. A total of 22.5 per cent of the Fellowships are reserved for candidates belonging to SC/ST who fulfil the requisite qualifications laid down for the award.

Tenure

Total period of Fellowship (JRF & SRF) is five years (non-extendable).

Selection Process

Received applications will be scrutinized, and short listed candidates will be called to appear before the selection committee, constituted by UGC. The decision of UGC will be final and binding.

Financial Assistance

Fellowship	₹14,000/- p.m. for initial 3two years ₹ 15,000/- for the remaining period
Contingency	₹ 12,000/- p.m. for initial two years ₹ 15,000/- for the remaining period
Departmental Assistance	₹ 3,000/- p.a. per students to the host institute
Escorts/Reader Assistance	₹ 2,000/- p.m. in case of physically handicapped or blind candidates
HRA	As per rules of the concerned institute

49. Junior Research Fellowship and Research Associateship for Foreign Nationals

Objectives

To *provide* an opportunity to foreign students and teachers from developing countries to undertake advanced study and research leading to M.Phil/Ph.D. and postdoctoral research in sciences, humanities and social sciences at Indian Universities.

Eligibility Criteria

For Junior Research Fellowship (JRF): 35 years for male candidates as on 1 July of the year of application and 40 years for female candidates. The candidates must have at least a *high-class* Master's Degree with a second-class Bachelor's Degree, or second-class Master's Degree with a first-class Bachelor's Degree.

For Research Associateship (RA): 40 years for male applicants as on 1st July of the year of application, and 45 for female candidates. The candidates must have a doctorate degree, published research work to their credit and evidence of independent research work.

Tenure:

(4 years non extendable) in case of JRF

(4 years non extendable) in case of RA

Selection Process

The applications received are placed before a short listing/screening committee constituted by UGC. The short-listed proposals are placed before the Selection Committee to finalize the proposals for the award of JRF and RA. The decision of UGC is final and binding. UGC conveys the provisional intimation of selection to the candidate. The formal award letter will be issued only on receipt of political clearance from the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

Financial Assistance

Fellowship @ ₹. 12,000/-p.m. for initial period of two years
@ ₹ 14,000/-p.m. for the remaining period

Contingency @ ₹12,000/-p.a. for Science
@ ₹10,000/-p.a. for Humanities and Social Sciences
@ ₹25,000/-p.a. for the remaining period for Sciences
@ ₹20,500/-p.a. for the remaining period for Humanities and Social Sciences

Departmental Assistance @ ₹ 3,000/-p.a. — per JRF

Escort @ ₹ 2,000/-p.a. — per JRF

Handicapped Allowance ₹ 2,000/- p.m. in case of physically handicapped or blind candidates

HRA As per rules of the concerned institute

Research Associateship

Fellowship @ ₹ 16,000/- p.m (fixed)

Contingency @ ₹ 30,000/- p.a for 4 years

Departmental Assistance 10% of Associateship to the host institution

HRA As per rule of concerned institute

50. Scheme for Fellowship to M.Phil / Ph.D. Scholars in Central Universities

Objectives

To *provide* Fellowship to M.Phil / Ph.D. Scholars in Central Universities who are not in receipt of any Fellowship from any other source.

Eligibility Criteria

Scholars registered for M.Phil / Ph.D. in Central Universities.

Selection Process

Selection is made by the Universities in consonance with UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of M.Phil/Ph.D Degree) Regulation, 2009.

Tenure

For three year, extendable by 1 year

Financial Assistance

For Ph.D. ' 5,000/- per month

Contingency of '10,000/- p.a. in case of Science subjects and ' 8,000/- per annum in case of Humanities and Social Science subjects.

For M.Phil. ' 3,000/- per month

Contingency of '10,000/- per annum in case of Science subjects and ' 8,000/- per annum in case of Humanities and Social Science subjects.

51. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Post Doctoral Fellowship in Humanities and Social Sciences (including languages)

Objectives

To *provide* an opportunity to carry out advanced studies and independent research in Humanities and Social Sciences (including languages) in Indian Universities and Colleges recognised under UGC Act 2(f) and 12(B)

Eligibility Criteria

- Candidates preferably below 35 years of age
- Candidates Possessing a Ph.D degree or submitted their Ph.D. thesis.

Selection Process

Selection will be made on the basis of merit and on the recommendations of the Selection Committee constituted by UGC.

Tenure

Three years (Non-extendable)

Financial Assistance

Fellowship	₹ 18,000/- p.m – ₹ 22,000 p.m.	With annual increase ₹ 1,000 p.m.
Bridging Fellowship	₹ 16,000/- p.m.	For those who have submitted their Ph.D. thesis
Contingency	₹ 30,000/- p.a.	For three years (fixed)

52. Dr. D.S. Kothari Post-Doctoral Fellowships in Sciences, Medical Sciences and Engineering Sciences

Objectives

- To *groom* young researchers for launching an academic / research career.
- To *provide* opportunity to acquire new skills, to broaden one's horizon and to offer a platform for transiting into cross-disciplinary areas.

Eligibility Criteria

- Candidates with Ph.D. or who have submitted their thesis .
- At the time of award, the candidate with Ph.D. will be awarded PDF and candidates awaiting for Ph.D. will be awarded '*Bridging Fellowship*'.

Selection Process

- It would be open all the year.
- Applications to be submitted electronically.
- A standing peer group would grade them electronically. Based on this the Chair of the Peer Group takes the final decision.

Tenure

Fellowship awarded on yearly basis with renewal or termination clause on the basis of mentor / peer group appraisal.

Financial Assistance

For PDF

- ₹ 28,000 – ₹ 30,000 per month as stipend with annual increase of ₹ 1,000 p.m.
- ₹ 50,000 p.a. as contingency

For Bridging Fellowship

- ₹ 22,000 p.m. as stipend

53. Post Doctoral Fellowship to Women Candidates

Objectives

To *provide* an opportunity to carry out advanced studies and research in sciences, engineering and technology, humanities and social sciences in Indian Universities and Colleges recognized under Section 2 (f) and fit to receive assistance under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act 1956/Institutes of National Importance established by the Central/State Government.

Eligibility Criteria

Doctorate degree in the relevant subject preferably with published research work to their credit

- In case of general/open category, 55% marks at UG level and 60% of marks at PG level. For reserved categories (SC/ST/OBC/PH) candidates, 50% at UG level and 55% at PG level.
- The upper age limit for applicants is 55 years for the candidates belonging to general/open category and 60 years for SC/ST/OBC/PH/Minority communities, as on 1st July on the year of application.

Tenure

Five years with no extension

Selection Process

- No. of slots 100 per year
- Applications received will be scrutinized by the screening committee. Later, the short listed candidates will be called to appear before the Selection Committee, constituted by UGC. No TA/DA will be paid for appearing in the interview. The decision of UGC will be final.

Financial Assistance

Fellowship	@₹. 25,000/- p.m for fresh candidates@ ₹ 30,000/- p.m for research experienced holders
Contingency	@ ₹. 50,000/- p.a for five years
Departmental Assistance	10% of Post Doctoral Fellowship to the host institution
Escorts/Reader assistance	₹. 2000/- p.m (fixed) in case of physically disabled & blind candidates

54. Post Graduate Indira Gandhi Scholarship for Single Girl Child

Objectives

- To support PG education of single girl child in **non-professional courses**.
- To recognize the value of observance of small family norm.

Eligibility Criteria

- Any single girl child of her parents who is admitted to 1st year of PG course (non-professional) in a recognized University / College.
- Age up to 30 years at the time of admission in PG course.
- Once awarded, the awardee is expected to score not less than 60% in her first year of PG. (55% for differently abled).

Selection Process

Only 1,200 slots in a year

Tenure

Two years (10 months for each year)

Financial Assistance

- ₹2,000 per month
- Students can concurrently avail any other Fellowship, if offered.

55. Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for SC/ST Candidates

Objectives

To provide SC/ST candidates an opportunity to undertake advanced studies and research leading to M.Phil / Ph.D degree (full-time) in Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences and Engineering & Technology, in Indian Universities/ Institutions / Colleges approved under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of UGC Act. and in Non-Universities/Institutions.

Eligibility Criteria

The candidate should belong to SC/ST and should have passed the Post Graduate examination. The candidate must get himself/herself registered for M.Phil./Ph.D at the first available opportunity but not later than within a period of two years from the receipt of award letter.

Tenure

5 years (2 years for JRF and 3 years for SRF)- Non extendable

Selection Process

The selection will be made on the basis of merit of the candidates. Applications received will be scrutinized, and short listed by UGC. The decision of UGC will be final and binding.

Financial Assistance

Fellowship in Science, Humanities and Social Sciences
@₹12,000/-p.m. for initial two years JRF (To be enhanced)

@₹. 14,000/-p.m. for remaining tenure
(To be enhanced)

Fellowship in Engineering. & Technology
SRF

@₹14,000/-p.m. for initial two years

@₹. 15,000/-p.m. for remaining tenure

Contingency A	@₹10,000/-p.a. for initial two years	Humanities & Social Sciences
	@₹20,500/-p.a. for remaining tenure	

Contingency B	@₹12,000/-p.a. for initial two years	Science, Engineering & Technology
	@₹25,000/-p.a. for remaining tenure	

Departmental Assistance	@₹. 3,000/- p.a per student to the host institution for providing infrastructure	All subjects
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Escorts/ Reader	@ ₹ 2,000/- p.m. in cases of physically handicapped & blind candidates	All subjects
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HRA	As per Rules of the Concerned University/ Institutions	All subjects
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56. Emeritus Fellowship

Objectives

To *provide* an opportunity to superannuated teachers of all recognized Universities and Colleges approved under UGC Act, to pursue active research in their respective field of specialization.

Eligibility Criteria

The eligibility will be based on the quality of research and published work contributed by the teacher in his/her service career.

Selection Process

The Fellowship is awarded on the basis of recommendation of the Expert Committee constituted by UGC.

Tenure

2 years (non-extendable) or upto the age of 70 years, whichever is earlier.

Financial Assistance

- Number of slots available under the scheme are 100 for Science stream and 100 for Humanities, Social Sciences and Languages at any one given time basis.
- Honorarium of ₹ 20,000/- p.m from UGC for two years (non-extendable)
- Contingency grant (Non-lapsable) of ₹ 50,000/- p.a. towards secretarial assistance, travel within the country connected with research project, stationery, postage, consumables, books and journals, and equipment.

57. Special Honorarium to Teachers who are Fellows of two of the four Science Academies identified by UGC

Objectives

To promote scientific knowledge in India including its practical application to promote national welfare, coordination among scientific academies, societies, institutions and Government of India.

Eligibility Criteria

- Teachers who have been awarded Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar award

or

- Teachers who are Fellows of at least two of the following four academies identified by the UGC:
 - * National Academy of Sciences, Allahabad
 - * Indian Science Academy, Bangalore
 - * Indian National Science Academy, New Delhi
 - * Indian National Academy of Engineering, New Delhi
- Teachers should be working in public-funded universities eligible to receive assistance from UGC.
- The aspirant teacher should have published at least 5 research papers in peer reviewed journals of International Standard in the preceding 5 years.

(Teachers of the Private and Self-financing Universities will not be eligible under the scheme.)

Selection Process

- Teachers who are eligible should apply to the Head of University/College.
- The University/College should screen the applications and select the awardees who are eligible.
- The University/College should send the request to UGC to release funds for one financial year for all teachers who are to be paid under the scheme.

Tenure

A teacher can avail only one of the honorarium and not more than one i.e., either from CSIR as Bhatnagar Awardee or under UGC Scheme

- Till the person attains the age of 65 years.

Financial Assistance

Special Honorarium of ₹ 15,000/- p.m

58. Research Award

Objectives

To *provide* opportunities to regularly appointed permanent teachers of universities/institutions to pursue research in their area(s) of specialisation for a period of three years without undertaking any research guidance.

Eligibility Criteria

- Regular appointed permanent teachers who have a doctorate degree.
- They must have published papers/articles in reputed journals

Selection Process

- The conferment of the Research Award will be based on the recommendations of an Expert Committee constituted by UGC.
- Shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview.
- The total numbers of **100 slots** are available under the scheme every alternate year.

Financial Assistance

- Full salary of the awardee with admissible allowances will be reimbursed to the institution where the awardee is undertaking research except the CPF/GPF contribution, as the same is to be borne by the parent institution.
- Research grant to meet expenditure on books and journals, chemicals and equipment for the entire period is as under:
(i) Humanities and Social Sciences: ₹2.00 lakh (ii) Sciences/Natural Sciences/Engineering and Technology: ₹3.00 lakh
- The expenditure towards engagement of any Project Assistant duly selected by the Selection Committee constituted by the concerned University/ College /Institute will have to be met out of research grant for a maximum amount of ₹ 5,000/- p.m. (consolidated) during the tenure of the award only. The tenure of the Project Assistant will be co-terminus with the Research Award

Tenure

2 years

A provision for extension of tenure of Research Award has been made for one year only on the recommendation of the subject experts, in exceptional cases.

59. Major Research Project

Objectives

- To *promote* Excellence in Research in higher education by supporting Research programmes of University and College Teachers in various disciplines

Eligibility Criteria

- Serving / Retired teachers (*including VC / Principal / Librarian / Physical Education Teacher*) of UGC recognized Universities and Colleges upto the age of 70 years.
- Individual Teacher or Group of Teachers can apply. If applied as a Group one will be the Principal Investigator.
- A teacher can avail only one project at any given time.

Selection Process

- Proposals received in prescribed format are placed before Committee of Experts and applicants are invited to make presentation before the Committee.
- Based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee and also the availability of funds, final allocations are made by UGC.

Tenure

Humanities, Social Sciences, Languages :
24 months

Sciences, Engineering & Technology : 36 months
(*Extension of 6 months in exceptional cases without any additional financial assistance is permissible*)

Financial Assistance

Humanities, Social Sciences , Languages :
₹ 10.00 lakh

Sciences, Engineering & Technology,
Agriculture, Medicine & Pharmacy :
₹ 12.00 lakh

The above assistance is given for:

- *Equipment*
- *Books&Journals*
- *Research Personnel*
- *Project Associate or Project Fellow*
- *Hiring Services, Contingency,*
- *Chemicals / Consumables*
- *Travel & Field Work*
- *Any other special requirements.*

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Retired teachers are eligible for honorarium @ ₹ 12,000 p.m. till they attain the age of 70 years.

61. Incentivisation of Teachers based Associations for Organisation of Various Academic & Research Activities

Objectives

To support Subject Associations in Social Sciences, Humanities & Languages in organizing specified activities in order to encourage teachers and researchers to participate in Conferences /Seminars/ Workshops and to present papers leading to publication, wherever possible.

Eligibility Criteria

(a) The Scheme will be open to all National Subject Associations. The Subject Associations should fulfill the following criteria to apply under the Scheme:

(i) They should be in existence for at least five years and should be registered organizations with a Constitution, which allows for regular elections for office bearers.

(ii) They should provide audited statement of accounts for at least five years;

(iii) They should have minimum membership of 200 (Life Members plus average of three years of Annual Membership).

(b) Regional/State Subject Associations would also be eligible to draw support from the scheme, provided they fulfill criteria (i) to (iii) above but with a minimum membership of 50.

(c) Universities or university departments and research institutions which bring out journals, would be eligible for the scheme for grants for supporting the publications of journals, provided these journals also meet the criteria mentioned.

Tenure

No restriction

Selection Process

A Standing Committee constituted by UGC will consider the proposals and give its recommendations. The final decision will be taken by UGC, keeping in view the recommendations made by the Committee and the availability of funds under the Scheme.

Financial Assistance

Core Grant for National Subject Associations. A core annual assistance will be provided to national level Subject Associations for secretarial support, The grant will be subject to a ceiling of ₹ 3.00 lakh per year. There will be three slabs of grant for Associations with Membership from

200 – 500 - ₹ 2.00 lakh per year

501 – 1,000 - ₹ 2.50 lakh per year

1,001 and above - ₹ 3.00 lakh per year

Annual Conferences of the Association The UGC will provide financial support for holding of the Annual Conference of the National Subject Associations The maximum

amount of grant under this head will be ₹ 7.00 lakh except in the case of the Indian Science Congress where this ceiling will be ₹ 20.00 lakh. There will be three slabs of grant for this purpose with Membership from:

200 – 500 - ₹ 4.00 lakh per year

501 – 1,000 - ₹ 5.00 lakh per year

1,001 and above - ₹ 7.00 lakh per year

62.Travel Grant Scheme for College Teachers/College Librarians/Vice-Chancellors/Commission Members and UGC Officers

Objectives

To *enable* the permanent College Teachers/College Librarians/Vice-Chancellors/ Commission Members/UGC Officers at the level of EO/US and above to present their research paper(s) in international conferences.

Eligibility Criteria

- This scheme is for permanent teachers and Librarians of Colleges and Vice-Chancellors of State Universities, Deemed to be Universities and Central Universities, recognised under Sections 2(f) and 12 (B) of UGC Act.
- In addition, this facility is available to the permanent teachers of Institutions of National Importance with a cap of 10% of the total approved cases in a year.
- The Commission members and UGC Officers at the level of EO/US and above are also eligible to apply under this scheme. As regards college teachers and in case the paper presented is co-authored, then a No-Objection Certificate(s) from the author(s) may be attached with the application. In case of two or more applications for the same paper(s) only one application will be considered and priority will be given to the first author.
- The maximum age limit for College Teachers/College Librarians/UGC Officers is up to the age of superannuation and for Vice-Chancellors and Commission Members they should be in position.

Tenure

Continuing scheme

Selection Process

The proposal(s) received duly completed in all respects will be evaluated by subject experts. Based on their recommendation, a final decision will be taken by UGC.

The proposals of Vice-Chancellors, Commission Members and UGC Officers will be approved by the Chairman, UGC, directly.

Financial Assistance

- The financial assistance for permanent teachers of Colleges, College Librarians covered under Sections 2 (f) and 12 B of the UGC Act will be paid on 100% basis once in three years, for the total admissible expenditure.
- Vice-Chancellors, of State Universities, deemed to be Universities and Central Universities recognized under Sections 2(f) and 12(B) of UGC Act, UGC Members, UGC Officers and SC,ST and OBC(non creamy layer) Teachers will be provided financial assistance once in two years on 100% basis.

63. Appointment/Honorarium of Guest/Part-Time Teachers

Objectives

To cope with faculty shortage and to ensure that regular teaching does not suffer.

Eligibility Criteria

- Guest/Part-time Teachers may be appointed only against sanctioned post.
- The qualifications for Guest/Part time Teachers should be same as those prescribed for the regular teachers of Universities/Colleges in UGC's Regulation.
- Guest/Part time Teachers may not be treated like regular teachers of the faculty for the purpose of voting rights or for becoming the members of the Boards of Studies.
- Retired teachers may also be considered for appointment as Guest/Part time teachers.
- Guest/Part time teachers may not be given the benefit of allowances, pension, gratuity etc.

Selection Process

Selection procedure for appointing Guest/Part time Teachers should be the same as for a regularly appointed teacher.

Tenure:

Not specified by UGC. As per requirement of the University/College.

Financial Assistance

₹ 1,000/- per lecture to a maximum of '25,000/- per month.