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**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
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**MINUTES OF THE 488th MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS
COMMISSION HELD ON 6TH SEPTEMBER, 2012.**

The 488th Meeting of the Commission was held on 6th September, 2012 in which the following were present:

- Prof. Ved Prakash Chairman
- Sh. Ashok Thakur Member
- Smt. Anjuly Chib Duggal Member
- Prof. Dr. Seyed E. Hasnain Member
- Prof. Meenakshi Gopinath Member
- Prof. Yogendra Yadav Member
- Prof. D. Narasimha Reddy Member
- Prof. M.M.Ansari Member

Prof. Achyutananda Samanta, Dr. Indu Shahani and Prof. V. S. Chauhan, Members could not attend the meeting and leave of absence was granted to them.

The following officers of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary

Dr. N.Adil Kazmi

Additional Secretary

Dr. K. Gunasekaran

Financial Adviser

Shri A.K. Dogra

At the outset, the Chairman, UGC informed the Commission Members about the nomination of a new Member of the Commission, Prof. M.M. Ansari and warmly welcomed him. He expressed that with his rich experience in the field of higher education he will be able to contribute to the deliberations of Commission. After this, the Commission took up Agenda.

AGENDA

SECTION-1

- 1.01 (a)** To confirm the minutes of the 487th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 18th July, 2012 at Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla.

The Commission confirmed the minutes with the following amendments:

- *Page No. 3 : Item No. 1.01 (a) 2.08*

The Commission decided that the recommendations of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for preparing the format for writing the expert committee report may be placed before it at its next meeting.

It was decided that the expert committee reports of the following five universities which were deferred by the Commission at its 483rd meeting dated 13th February, 2012 may be placed before the Commission:

- *Assam Don Bosco University, Airport Road, Azara, Assam*
- *Centurion University of Technology and Management, Village Alluri Nagar, Via-Uppalada, Paralakhemundi, Gajapati, Orissa*
- *Sir Padmapat Singhanian University, Bhatewar, Udaipur*
- *Invertis University, Invertis Village, Bareilly, Lucknow National Highway-24, Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh*
- *Teerthanker Mahaveer University, Delhi Road, Moradabad.*

It was further decided that the reports of the Expert Committees, which have already visited the following universities, but have not yet been placed before the Commission may be brought before it at its next meeting:

1. *Baddi University of Emerging Science & Technology, Maknumajra, BADDI, District, Solan, Himachal Pradesh*
2. *Alliance University, Bangalore, Karnataka*
 - *Japjee University of Engineering & Technology, AB Road, Raghogarh, Distt. Guna, Madhya Pradesh*
 - *Dr. K.N. Modi University, Plot-1, RIICO Industrial Area Ph-II, Newai, Distt. Tonk, Rajasthan*
 - *Shri Jagdish Prasad Jhambarmal Tibrewala University, Chudela, Distrcit Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan*
 - *Shridhar University, Pilani Chirawa Road, Pilani, Rajasthan*
 - *University of Patanjali, Patanjali Yogpeeth, Haridwar, Uttar Pradesh*

Action: JS (CPP-I)

- *Page No. 8 : Item No.2.04*

The resolution of the Commission may be read as under:

“The Commission considered the issue of promoting sports during 12th Plan and integration of high performance sports facilities within India’s higher education set up. In order to formulate a scheme, the Commission decided that a committee may be constituted with Prof. V.S. Chauhan, Commission Member, as its Chairman.”

Action: JS (CPP-II)

- *Page No. 8 : Item No. 2.06*

The second paragraph of the resolution of the Commission may be read as under:

“The Commission decided to defer this item pending feed back from MHRD and the Commission members.”

Action: JS (CPP-I)

- *Page No. 15 : Item No. 5.04*

The resolution against the college at Sl.No.2 may be read as under:

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| 2. | <i>Madras Christian College, Tambaram, Chennai-600059 (Tamil Nadu) affiliated to University of Madras, Chennai</i> | <i>Not recommended for reasons mentioned against Sl.No. 14 of the Standing Committee’s report.</i> |
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Action: JS (AC)

- *Page No. 17 : Item No. 5.05*

The last paragraph may be read as under:

“The Commission also decided that the UGC should organize

Regional Conferences of all stakeholders including Vice-Chancellors of State Universities, College Principals and State Government representatives to prepare a comprehensive plan for review and implementation of the autonomous colleges scheme in the XII Plan.”

Action: JS (AC)

- 1.01(a) (ii)** To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 19th July, 2012 at Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla.

The minutes of the joint meeting of Commission members and UGC officers to deliberate on the XII Plan strategies were confirmed with the following amendments:

Item B: Funding of Universities

- *Funding of the deemed universities may be taken up after receiving the recommendations of the committee constituted in previous meeting.*
- 9. *Resources generated out of ODL should not be taken into consideration while considering matching grants scheme in the ratio of 1:1.*

Item D: Funding of Inter University Centres

A Committee may be constituted to study the performance of the Inter University Centres as large amounts of grants are released to these centres.

Item E: Vocation Education

The State universities located in the rural areas may be brought under funding towards NVEQF scheme for improving the skills

of the students.

Item F: Revision of Schemes of Promotion of Excellence in Research and Education

A sub-committee of the Commission may be constituted to study all schemes relating to promotion of excellence.

Item I: Monitoring

All important schemes should be monitored on a regular basis. There is considerable delay taking place particularly for grant of 12-B and autonomous status to the colleges/universities, which should be minimized.

Item J: Immediate Action Points

A sub-committee of the Commission may be asked to study norm based funding to the colleges / universities also.

- *Following decisions may be added under heading “Funding for Universities” at page No. 23 as Sl. No.10 and 11 :*

“Sl.No. 10 : Funding to Deemed to be Universities may be taken up after submission of the recommendations of the Committee constituted in the previous meeting.

Sl.No. 11: The revenue generated under ODL system be not counted under the Resource Mobilization Scheme”

Action: JS (XII Plan)

- *On Page No. 24, the following may be added as Sl. No. 3 under the heading “Funding for Inter University Centres”:*

“Funding of Inter University Centres may be decided based on a

review of the work done by the Inter University Centres.”

Action: JS (IUC)

- *On Page 24 under the heading “Revision of schemes for promotion of excellence in research and education”, the following may be added as Sl. No. 10 :*

“A Sub-Committee of the Commission may be constituted to study all schemes relating to promotion of excellence”

Action: JS (CPP-II)

- 1.01 (b)** To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 487th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **18th & 19th July, 2012.**

The Commission noted the action taken on the minutes of the meeting held on 18th & 19th July, 2012 and decided that in future the bureaus should specify the action that has been initiated and also give the time line as to when the action will be completed.

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

- (i) To ratify the decision taken by the Chairman UGC on the recommendations of the Expert Committee’s meeting held on 28-2-2012 in the UGC office to review 48 centres under the Scheme of Epoch Making Social thinkers of India.

The Commission ratified the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC on the recommendations of the Expert Committee’s meeting held on 28-02-2012 for reviewing 48 centres under the Scheme of Epoch Making Social Thinkers in India.

The Commission further decided that in future, whenever matters are urgent and cannot wait till the next Commission

meeting and are being placed for ratification of the Commission, the reasons for such an exigency may be stated in the Agenda.

Action: JS (NFE)/All Bureau Heads

- (ii) Appointment of the Director, INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad.

The Commission ratified the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC in appointing Dr. Jagdish Arora as the Director, INFLIBNET Centre, Ahmedabad for a tenure of 5 years.

The Commission reiterated that, in future, whenever matters are urgent and cannot wait till the next Commission meeting and are placed for ratification of the Commission, the reasons for such an exigency may be stated in the Agenda.

Action: JS (IUC)

- (iii) To ratify the matter regarding the inclusion of 115 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.07.2012 to 25.08.2012 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

The Commission ratified the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC regarding the inclusion of 115 colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under sections 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.07.2012 to 25.08.2012 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

Action : JS (CPP-I)

- 1.02(b)** To receive the items of information.

There was no item.

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

There was no item.

**SECTION-2
(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)**

2.01 To consider the proposal to retain the internal receipts for the year 2012-2013 with the Central Universities to cover up the short fall of non-salary component under Non-Plan Grant from the year 2012-2013 till the appropriate allocation is made by MHRD under non-salary components to meet out the short fall under non-salary expenditure (Non-Plan).

The Commission approved the proposal for retaining the internal receipts by the Central Universities to cover up the short fall of non-salary component under Non-Plan Grant for the year 2012-2013. It was decided that the matter may be taken up with the MHRD for increasing the allocation under non-salary components to meet out the short fall under non-Plan non-salary expenditure.

The Commission further decided that an “Oversight Committee” may be constituted to study the income generated and advise the UGC and the universities in this matter. It was further decided that Smt. Anjuly Chib Duggal and Prof. Dr. Seyed E. Hasnain may be nominated on the Committee apart from other experts.

The Commission further decided that a communication should be sent to all Central Universities and Delhi Colleges, which are fully funded by UGC, clarifying the items under which non-salary expenditure can be incurred.

Action: JS (CU/DU)/JS (DC)

2.02 To consider and approve the recommendations of the UGC Committee to develop and give Draft of the UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for award of M.Phil / Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2012.

While deferring the item, the Commission decided that a Sub-Committee of the Commission may be constituted to study the draft UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for award of M.Phil / Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2012.

Action: JS (CPP-II)

2.03 To consider the amendment in respect of UGC (Minimum Standards of Instructions for the grant of the Master's Degree through Formal Education) Regulations, 2003 for giving effect to one year LLM Degree as part of restructuring of legal education.

The Commission considered the amendments in respect of UGC (Minimum Standards of Instructions for the grant of the Master's Degree through Formal Education) Regulations, 2003 for giving effect to one year LLM Degree as part of restructuring of legal education and approved the same.

Action: JS (CPP-II)

2.04 To consider the request of Central Universities for extension of filling up of the XI Plan sanctioned non-teaching positions as a first charge of XII Plan.

The Commission considered the request of Central Universities for extension of time for filling up the XI Plan sanctioned non-teaching positions as a first charge of XII Plan and approved the same. The Commission further decided that the Universities should reassess their requirements at their own level and fill up only the essential positions.

Action: JS (CU)

2.05 To consider the proposal for establishment of Pt. Madan Mohan Malviya

Chair in Banaras Hindu University on commemoration of 150th Birth Anniversary of Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya Ji.

The Commission considered the proposal for establishment of Pt. Madan Mohan Malviya Chair in Banaras Hindu University on commemoration of 150th Birth Anniversary of Pt. Madan Mohan Malaviya Ji and approved in principle that a Chair may be instituted at the Banaras Hindu University on the lines of Rajiv Gandhi Chair. It was decided that the Rajiv Gandhi Chair guidelines may be taken as model guidelines to be followed for establishment of Chairs in future.

It was further decided that the Banaras Hindu University may be asked to submit a detailed proposal on the model of Rajiv Gandhi Chairs.

Action: JS (CU)

2.06 To consider the Guidelines for Introduction of One Year LL.M. Degree Programme, 2012.

This was deferred.

2.07 To consider the matter relating to waiving the condition of ownership of land in the name of Mizoram University.

The Commission considered the matter relating to waiving the condition of ownership of land in the name of Mizoram University and approved the same.

Action: JS (CU)

2.08 To consider the request of the State Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir to approve establishment of three Model Degree colleges in carved out Districts of the State.

The Commission considered the request of the State government of Jammu & Kashmir to approve establishment of three Model Degree colleges in three carved out districts of the State and approved the same.

Action: JS (SU)

SECTION-3

(REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)

(There is no item in this section)

SECTION-4

(SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)

- 4.01** To consider the guidelines for composition of subject panels in various disciplines.

This was deferred. It was decided that the Commission members would send their comments to the UGC and that the matter would be placed before the Commission for consideration at its next meeting.

- 4.02** To consider the proposed emoluments for payment to the functionaries engaged in conduct of UGC-NET.

The Commission considered the proposed increase in emoluments for payment to the functionaries engaged in conduct of UGC-NET and decided that norms be evolved for payment of remuneration to the various functionaries. The Chairman, UGC was authorized by the Commission to decide on the norms for the above.

Action: DS (NET)

The Commission further decided that TA/DA norms followed by the Commission may be reviewed keeping in view the DST/CSIR/DRDO norms.

Action: FA

4.03 To consider the issue of provision of two seats under supernumerary quota in the universities and colleges.

The Commission considered the issue of provision of two seats under supernumerary quota in the universities and colleges and approved creation of two supernumerary seats in all institutions which are recognized under section 2(f) and 12 (B) of the UGC Act for general courses. It was noted that AICTE was taking similar action for technical courses. It was further decided that fellowships for students, who have already been admitted this year, may be approved even if they are more than two per institution.

The Commission further decided that a list of universities and colleges included under section 2(f) and 12(B) in the country may be supplied to AICTE, which has been designated by the MHRD to administer this scheme through a dedicated website.

Action: JS (SA)

SECTION-5 (GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

5.01 To consider the compliance report submitted by Eternal University (Private University) Baru Sahib, Distt. Sirmour (Himachal Pradesh) in respect of the observations/suggestions given by UGC Expert Committee which visited the Private University on 17th to 19th December, 2010 to assess fulfillment of criteria in terms of programmes, faculty, infrastructural facilities, financial viability, etc., as laid down from time to time by the UGC and other concerned statutory bodies.

The Commission considered the compliance report submitted by Eternal University (Private University) Baru Sahib, Distt. Sirmour (Himachal Pradesh) in respect of the observations/suggestions given by UGC Expert Committee and observed that there are many glaring

inconsistencies in the compliance report. The Commission decided that another Expert Committee may visit this university to verify the claims of the university.

Action: JS (CPP-I)

5.02 To consider the release of funds to National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) (Deemed to be University), New Delhi for establishment of Centre for Policy Research in Higher Education.

The Commission considered the release of funds to National University of Educational Planning and Administration (NUEPA) (Deemed to be University), New Delhi for establishment of “Centre for Policy Research in Higher Education” and sought a clarification from Secretary, MHRD whether the letter dated 19th July, 2012 from Joint Secretary, MHRD may be treated as a direction from the Government to which the Secretary, MHRD clarified that it may be taken as the direction. Since such a Centre does not exist anywhere in the country and there is a need for such a Centre, the Commission agreed that the “Centre for Policy Research in Higher Education” at NUEPA may be supported by the UGC, even though NUEPA is fully funded by the MHRD directly. However, the Commission decided that the proposal may be evaluated with the help of an Expert Committee. The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to constitute an Expert Committee for on-the-spot evaluation of the proposal and take a final decision in the matter which may be placed before the Commission.

Action: JS (CPP-I)/JS (DU)

5.03 To consider the Report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to assess the proposal of Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management (GITAM) (Deemed to be University), Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh to start off-campus at Nagadenahalli, Dodaballapur Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, Karnataka.

The Commission considered the report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to assess the proposal of Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management (GITAM) (Deemed to be University), Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh to start off-campus at Nagadenahalli, Dodaballapur Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District, Karnataka and approved the same subject to review of the off-campus centre by the UGC biennially for six years and subsequently after five years. It was further decided to send the recommendations of the Commission to M/HRD for its approval.

Action: JS (CPP-I)

**SECTION-6
(MISCELLANEOUS)**

6.01(a): To consider certain establishment matters of UGC.

- *to (iii) Recorded separately*

6.01(b): To report certain establishment matters of UGC

- *to (v) Recorded separately*

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

There was no item.

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

The date and place of the next meeting of the Commission would be decided in consultation with the Commission members.

(N. ADIL KAZMI)

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