

**UNIVERSITYGRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI-110 002**

Minutes of the 443rd Meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 11th & 12th February, 2008.

The 443rd Meeting was held on 11th & 12th February, 2008 at 10.00 A.M. in which the following were present:-

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| 1. Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. Mool Chand Sharma | Vice Chairperson |
| 3. Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu | Member |
| 4. Prof. Shivajirao Shripatrao Kadam | Member |
| 5. Dr. (Mrs.) Shashi Rai | Member |
| 6. Prof. Xavier Alphonse, S.J., (*) | Member |
| 7. Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar | Member |
| 8. Prof. D. Singh Chauhan (*) | Member |
| 9. Prof. Achyutananda Samanta (*) | Member |

(*) were present only on 11th February, 2008.

Shri R.P. Agrawal, Dr. Sanjiv Misra, and Prof. Jalees Ahmed Khan Tareen Members could not attend the meeting. They were granted leave of absence.

Prof. Shivajirao Shripatrao Kadam was not present at the time of discussion of item No.5.03 as it relates to his university.

Shri Ravi Mathur, Joint Secretary (HE), MHRD attended the meeting as special invitee.

The following officers of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary

Dr. R.K. Chauhan

Additional Secretary

Dr. (Mrs.) Niloufer.A. Kazmi

Director (Admn.)

Dr. K. Gunasekaran

Joint Secretaries/Joint Director(*)

Dr.Pankaj Mittal,
Joint Secretary

Shri A.K. Dogra
Joint Secretary

Dr. M.V. Krishnaswamy
Joint Secretary

Dr.C.S. Meena
Joint Secretary

Dr.A.K. Parate
Joint Secretary

Dr.Renu Batra
Joint Secretary

Dr.Dev Swarup
Joint Secretary

Dr. (Mrs.) H.K. Chauhan
Joint Director

Shri Sharanjit Singh
Joint Secretary

Dr.(Mrs.) Urmila Devi
Joint Secretary

(*) attended only on 11th February, 2008

The Commission placed on record its appreciation for the contribution made by Prof. Suranjan Das as a Member of the Commission during his tenure. The Chairman was authorized to communicate the sentiments of the Commission to Prof. Suranjan Das.

The Commission welcomed the appointment of Prof. Achyutananda Samanta as Member of the Commission.

SECTION-1

1.01(a): To confirm the minutes of the 442nd meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **21st & 22nd January, 2008.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st & 22nd January, 2008 were confirmed with the following modifications:

(1) *Item No.5.01*

The Commission Members desired that the details of the discussion relating to the XI Plan schemes may also be indicated under each item so that the guidelines relating to that scheme could be revised by the concerned Bureau Head taking into account the points emerging out of the discussion in the meeting of the Commission. The Chairman informed the members that all the Bureau Heads were requested to be present during the meetings of the Commission so that they could clarify the issues and take detailed notes about the discussion on the items dealt by them so that they could revise the schemes considering all the points made in the meeting of the Commission. However, agreeing to the suggestion of the members, it was decided that from this meeting onwards, such procedure shall be followed.

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(2) *Point No.5 (page 4 of the minutes)*

Some Commission Members enquired about the status of the e-governance project. The Chairman informed that as per the decision of the Commission, a Committee has been constituted to negotiate and finalize the agreement. The negotiations are going on regarding the agreement. Once the agreement is finalized and approved by the Committee, it will be placed before the Commission for information and record.

Action: JS(e-governance)

1.01(b): To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 442nd Meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **21st & 22nd January, 2008.**

There was no item.

1.02(a): To ratify the action taken on certain matters:

- (i) To ratify the recommendation/ minutes of the DPC meeting held on 03.01.2008 for promotion of SO/PS to the post of Under Secretary in the scale of pay of Rs.10000-325-15200.

The Commission ratified the decision taken by the Chairman on the recommendation/minutes of the DPC meeting held on 03.01.2008 for promotion of SO/PS to the post of Under Secretary in the scale of pay of Rs.10000-325-15200 and approved the empanelment of the following as Under Secretary:

1. *Shri S.K. Ahuja (SO Quota)*
2. *Mrs. Balbir Kaur (SO Quota)*
3. *Shri P.K. Sharma (PS Quota)*
4. *Mrs. Raj Rani (SO Quota)*

Action : Director(Admn.)

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.

The Commission noted the funds position of UGC as per the statement placed before the Commission and desired that the latest position may be sent to MHRD so as to get the final instalment of grants.

Action : F.A.

The Commission then took up all the guidelines which could not be discussed during the last meeting of the Commission. The details of the guidelines considered by the Commission and the decision taken are given below:

(1) Introduction of Career Oriented Courses in Universities and Colleges.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *The Universities may be asked to give permission to the Colleges to start the career oriented courses as approved by the UGC.*
- *The MHRD may also write to State Governments regarding implementation of this scheme in an effective manner.*
- *Regional Offices of UGC may organize meetings so as to clarify the issues.*
- *A meeting with the Director, College Development Council in various Universities may be organized at regional level so that they are sensitized to help the colleges not only with regard to this scheme but also with regard to all the other schemes of UGC relating to the Colleges.*
- *This scheme should be made applicable only at the UG level to be implemented by universities and colleges.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(2) Sports facilities in Universities/Colleges

1. Development of Sports Infrastructure and Equipments in Universities.
2. Development of Sports Infrastructure and Equipments in Colleges.
3. XI Plan Guidelines: Promotion of Yoga Education and Practice and Positive Health in Universities.
4. XI Plan Guidelines: Organisation of Adventure Sports/activities by Universities/colleges.

The Commission desired that the sports schemes relevant to the universities and colleges may be brought under merged schemes and implemented during XI Plan period. The Scheme at S.No. 1 & 2 may be deferred except equipment etc. for the time being. The Commission further authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines of these schemes accordingly.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(3) Introduction of Career and Counseling Cell in Universities.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *The Career and Counseling Cell are more relevant for the Colleges compared to Universities as large number of students are studying in Colleges compared to universities.*
- *Dr. Shashi Rai, Commission Member and Dr. Pankaj Mittal, Joint Secretary may finalize the scheme.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(4) Academic Staff College.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *The annual target to be achieved by each of the Academic Staff College may need to be worked out.*
- *A mechanism to equate the specialized courses offered by non-university institutions offering specialized courses may be worked out so as to make these courses equivalent to refresher courses for teachers.*

- *The number of teachers required to undergo orientation/refresher courses may be worked out.*
- *One or two “Star Academic Staff Colleges” (who are doing good work presently) may be identified at regional level for training of teachers. Detailed statistical information given at the meeting of the Directors, ASCs at Hyderabad may be projected. A balance between the present ASCs and the non-university institutions need to be created.*
- *Prof. Mool Chand Sharma, Vice-Chairman; Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu and Dr. Dev Swarup may finalize the scheme taking the above points into consideration. Prof. Mool Chand Sharma will act as Chairman of the Committee.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(5) Facilities for Differently-abled Persons

- Teacher Preparation on Special Education (TEPSE)
- Higher Education for Persons with Special Needs (HEPSN)

The Commission approved the above scheme and further decided that this scheme may be brought under “merged scheme” category.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(6) Assistance for strengthening of infrastructure for Science & Technology (ASIST)

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *This may be referred to Prof. M.M. Sharma Committee (including Mathematics and Statistics), to remove the overlap with other similar schemes and integrate with these scheme.*
- *A separate scheme may be started for setting up of Engineering Faculty in State Universities for which a proposal may be sent to MHRD.*

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- *The Universities may be requested to start Engineering/Technology and Management faculty on the pattern of North Eastern Central Universities in the XI Plan.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission. The Commission further desired that a proposal may be prepared for setting up of Engineering Faculty in State Universities for onward transmission to MHRD.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (7) Assistance for strengthening of infrastructure for Humanities & Social Science (ASIHSS).

The Commission decided that this scheme may be included/merged under SAP and authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (8) Universities with Potential for Excellence (UPE).

The Commission approved the guidelines and authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the same after taking into account that a university would be eligible for funding under this scheme for a maximum period of 10 years.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (9) Colleges with Potential for Excellence (CPE).

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *The Monitoring Committee may consist of four experts instead of two.*
- *If a College gets accredited/autonomous status during the tenure, it may be given the additional grant on pro-rata basis depending upon the year in which the college gets accredited/autonomous status. All past cases of X Plan pending under this category may be reviewed and their allocation may be proportionately enhanced.*
- *A summative evaluation of those colleges which have completed 5 years may be undertaken. Only those colleges which are recommended by the Expert*

Committees for continuation during XI Plan may be assisted further under the scheme. However, the level of funding in such cases shall be limited to 50% of the allocation approved for XI Plan CPE Colleges. A College would be eligible for funding under this scheme for a maximum period of 10 years.

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (10) Adult Continuing Education and Extension.

The Commission decided that the list given in pages numbers from 534 to 537 of the agenda needs to be verified and authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observation of the Commission. The Commission further decided that the nomenclature of the programme may be “life-long learning and extension”.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (11) Development of Women’s Studies in Indian Universities and Colleges.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *A good monitoring system is to be put in place.*
- *The budget has been brought down to Rs.15.00 crores.*
- *The entire proposal needs to be reformulated.*
- *A committee consisting of Dr. Shashi Rai, Dr.Xavier Alphonse,S.J., & Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar Commission Members and Dr.(Mrs.) H.K. Chauhan, Joint Director may finalize the guidelines.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(12) Capacity Building for Women Managers in Higher Education.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *This may be made as part of the women studies in Indian Universities and Colleges.*
- *A committee consisting of Dr. Shashi Rai, Dr. Xavier Alphonse, S.J., & Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar Commission Members and Dr. (Mrs.) H.K. Chauhan, Joint Director may finalize the guidelines.*
- *The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.*

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(13) Epoch Making Social Thinkers of India.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *The sentence “Any recurring liability shall be taken over by the State Government or the University/College. Therefore, such an undertaking should be given by the University/College at the time of application. No liability will accrue to the UGC after 31st March, 2012, no matter when the programme was established in the University/College during the XI Plan Period” under paragraph 3 may be deleted.*
- *Prof. Mool Chand Sharma, Vice-Chairman and Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu, Commission Member and JS(NFE) may be requested to fine tune the scheme.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(14) Basic Facilities for Women in Universities and Colleges.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *This may be made as a part of “merged scheme”.*
- *A Committee consisting of Dr. (Mrs.) Shashi Rai and Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar may finalize the guidelines.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (15) Scholarships for Women in Professional Programmes.

The Commission decided that the scheme may be referred to a Committee of Commission Members consisting of Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu; Dr.(Mrs.) Shashi Rai and Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar and authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guideline, based on the input provided by the above Committee.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (16) PG Scholarships for students belonging to SC/ST/Minorities/Poor.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *A proper definition for 'poor' needs to be defined.*
- *The number of scholarships may be as under:*

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| <i>SC/ST</i> | <i>70/30</i> |
| <i>Minority</i> | <i>50</i> |
| <i>Physically Handicapped</i> | <i>10</i> |
| <i>General</i> | <i>100</i> |

- *The scheme may be referred to a Committee of Commission Members consisting of Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu; Dr.(Mrs.) Shashi Rai and Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar to finalize it.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (17) Post Doctoral Fellowship.

The Commission decided that the scheme may be referred to a Committee of Commission Members consisting of Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu; Dr.(Mrs.) Shashi Rai and Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar and JS(SA) and authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize it.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(18) Research Award.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *The award may be only for two years.*
- *Students less than 45 years may alone be eligible to apply. In the case of women, SC/ST, physically handicapped etc., the age limit shall be 50 years.*
- *The level of assistance for humanities and social sciences may be Rs.2.00 lakhs and for Science/Natural Science and Technology Rs.3.00 lakhs.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(19) Emeritus Fellowship

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *The total slots may be 200.*
- *Preferences may be given to Women/SC/ST/Physically Handicapped/Minorities etc. for the award of fellowship*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(20) Establishment of Centres in Universities for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy.

The Commission approved the guidelines and authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the same.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(21) Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for SC/ST Candidates.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *We may await for a communication from Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and Ministry of Tribal Welfare for enhancing the fellowship.*
- *The advertisement for the fellowship should be released in June and release of fellowship should start from September every year.*
- *The word “unemployed” needs to be removed wherever it occurs.*
- *All the fellowship programmes may be combined with allocation for different categories.*
- *The combined version shall be easy to operate.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(22) Post-Doctoral Fellowship for SC/ST candidates.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *The word “unemployed” needs to be removed wherever it occurs.*
- *A combined scheme for all the fellowships may be prepared fixing quota for different categories.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(23) Post Doctoral Fellowship to Women Candidates.

The Commission decided that the combined fellowship programme may be prepared and authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to this scheme.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (24) Guidelines for General Development Assistance to Central, Deemed and State Universities during XI Plan.

The following points emerged during the discussion while considering the above item:

- *Apart from the merged schemes indicated in the guidelines, various other schemes which are to be brought under the merged schemes may also be included.*
- *To include Equal opportunities cell and other such items which are to be brought under merged schemes.*
- *A Committee consisting of Dr.(Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal; Dr. C.S. Meena and Shri A.K. Dogra may scrutinize the scheme taking the observations of the Commission into account.*

The Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines relating to the above scheme taking into consideration the observations of the Commission.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

- (25) Incentives for Resource Mobilization.

The Commission decided that apart from the 10 items on which the university can utilize the corpus fund, they may also be given an opportunity to spend on any other item/project, which may be intimated to UGC before hand. The Commission further authorized the Chairman, UGC to finalize the guidelines of this scheme.

Action: JS(XI Plan)

SECTION-2 (MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

There was no item under this Section.

SECTION-3 (REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)

There was no item under this Section.

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

There was no item under this Section.

SECTION-5 (GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

- 5.01: To consider the matter regarding accreditation of the institutions imparting medical education, applying for Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission examined the issue of accreditation and decided that NAAC may be requested to develop suitable mechanism for accreditation for all the professional courses (Engineering & Technology, Medicines, Dental, Nursing, Teacher Education etc.) within a period of six months. Once it is developed, either NAAC accreditation or the mechanism of accreditation to be developed by these Statutory Council including Medical Council of India may be made applicable in respect of institutions applying for deemed to be university status under Section 3 of UGC Act, 1956. Pending development of such a mechanism for accreditation by NAAC, the existing practice shall continue.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.02: To consider the proposal of National Institute of Tourism & Hospitality Management, Hyderabad, AP for conferment of Deemed to be University status (*De-novo category*) under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission examined the recommendations of the Expert Committee and compliance received from the Institute and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 to the National Institute of Tourism and Hospitality Management, Hyderabad, AP for grant of provisional status of deemed to be university under de-novo category subject to its confirmation after five years on the basis of performance report of the UGC Review Committee done annually for a period of five year.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.03: To consider the Report of the Review Committee which visited Bharati Vidyapeeth's Dental College and Hospital, Navi Mumbai and Bharati Vidyapeeth's Medical College and Hospital, Sangli.

The Commission examined the report of the Committee constituted to review the performance of two colleges of Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pune, namely (i) Bharati Vidyapeeth's Dental College and Hospital, Navi Mumbai and (ii) Bharati Vidyapeeth's Medical College and Hospital, Sangli and agreed that the Bharati Vidyapeeth's Dental College and Hospital, Navi Mumbai and the Bharati Vidyapeeth's Medical College and Hospital, Sangli may be brought under the ambit of the Bharati Vidyapeeth Deemed University on regular basis. The suggestions made by the Committee may be sent to the Bharati Vidyapeeth for compliance. Bharati Vidyapeeth may be requested to amend its MoA accordingly.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.04: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Nitte Education Trust, Mangalore, Karnataka for the conferment of Deemed to be University status in the name and style of Nitte University comprising of A.B.Shetty Memorial Institute of Dental Sciences, Mangalore, Karnataka under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 .

The Commission examined the recommendations of the Expert Committee and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 to Nitte Education Trust in the name and style of Nitte University, Mangalore, Karnataka comprising of A.B.Shetty Memorial Institute of Dental Sciences, Mangalore.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.05: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Adesh Foundation, Mukatsar, Punjab for the conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 under de-novo category in the name and style of proposed Adesh University.

The Commission examined the report and noted that there are different views of UGC Expert Committee and the AICTE. The AICTE is understood to have framed their own guidelines for processing cases for grant of deemed to be university status to give advice to UGC for consideration under Section 3 of UGC Act. The Commission decided that the Chairman, UGC and Chairman, AICTE may have joint meeting to sort out this issue. In the meantime, this may be deferred.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.06: To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee for considering the proposal of Uttranchal Sanskrit University, Haridwar for inclusion under Section 12 (B) of UGC Act.

The Commission examined the report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to evaluate the proposal of Uttranchal Sanskrit University, Haridwar and decided that the proposal of the Uttranchal Sanskrit University, Haridwar cannot be considered

for inclusion under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 as the University does not fulfil the conditions as laid down by the UGC for inclusion under Section 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956. A copy of the report of the Committee may be sent to the University to remove the deficiencies as pointed out by the Committee.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.07: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of K.L.E. Academy of Higher Education and Research, Belgaum (Karnataka) to bring its seven institutes under the ambit of K.L.E.Academy of Higher Education and Research, Belgaum (Karnataka) as its Off-Campus Centres/ Constituent Units.

The Commission examined the recommendations of the Expert Committee and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development that the following seven institutions may be included under the ambit of K.L.E. Academy of Higher Education and Research, Belgaum (Karnataka), Deemed to be University (now proposed as KLE University) as its off-campus centres/constituent units:-

1. *K.L.E.S's Institute of Dental Sciences, Bangalore*
2. *K.L.E.S's College of Pharmacy, Bangalore.*
3. *K.L.E.S's College of Pharmacy, Hubli.*
4. *K.L.E.S's College of Pharmacy, Belgaum.*
5. *K.L.E.S's Institute of Nursing Science, Belgaum.*
6. *B.M. Kankanwadi Ayurved Mahavidyalaya, Belgaum.*
7. *K.L.E.S's Institute of Physiotherapy, Belgaum.*

However, the inclusion of K.L.E.S's Institute of Dental Sciences, Bangalore under its ambit will be subject to fulfillment of requirement of faculty as per DCI norms.

The deficiencies in this regard may be communicated to the Deemed University for compliance.

The overall performance of the proposed above constituent units / off-campus centres shall be monitored annually, initially for three years, and subsequently after every five years by the UGC whose directions for management, academic development and improvement shall be binding.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.08: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai, Maharashtra for the conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission examined and approved the recommendations of the Expert Committee and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 to Institute of Chemical Technology, Mumbai. The Commission also decided to recommend full financial support under Plan and Non-Plan by UGC for which additional funding may be provided by the Ministry of Human Resource Development to the Commission.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.09: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Manav Rachana International University, Faridbad, Haryana for the conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 under de-novo category.

The Commission examined the report and noted that there are different views of UGC Expert Committee and the AICTE. The AICTE is understood to have framed their own guidelines for processing cases for grant of deemed to be university status to give advice to UGC for consideration under Section 3 of UGC Act. The Commission decided that the Chairman, UGC and Chairman, AICTE may have joint meeting to sort out this issue. In the meantime, this maybe deferred.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.10: To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee for considering the proposal of The Tamilnadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai for inclusion under Section 12 (B) of UGC Act.

The Commission considered the report of the UGC Expert Committee for considering the proposal of The Tamilnadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai for inclusion under Section 12(B) of UGC Act and agreed to include The Tamilnadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai under Section 12(B) of UGC Act.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.11: To consider reports of the Expert Visiting Committees for **Extension of Autonomous Status (nine)/ Conferment of fresh Autonomous Status (five)** in total 14 (fourteen) Colleges falling in the States of Tamilnadu, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnatak affiliated to Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli Utkal University, Bhubaneswar, Veer Bahadur Singh Purvanchal University, Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh Technical University, Lucknow, Anna University, Coimbatore, University of Pune, Pune and Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum respectively.

The Commission considered the recommendations of the Expert Committees and agreed for extension of autonomous status to nine colleges and conferment of fresh autonomous status to five colleges as under:

A: Extension of Autonomous tenure.

| Sl. No. | Name of the college/university to which affiliated | Autonomy valid upto | Period of ex-post facto approval | Approval for further Extension and continuation of Autonomous status from the academic years |
|---------|---|---------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| 1 | <u>Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli</u> St. Joseph's College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli- 620002(T.N) | 2004-2005 | 2005-2006 to 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 2. | <u>Utkal University, Bhubneswar</u> B.J.B. (Autonomous) College Lewis Road, Bhubneswar- 751014 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 to 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 3 | Rama Devi Women's (Autonomous) College, Post Bhoi Nagar, Bhubaneswar-751022 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 to 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |

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| 4. | S.C.S.(Autonomous) College, At/PO/ Dist Puri-752001 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 to 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 5. | Dhenkanal (Autonomous) College, P.O/ District. Dhenkanal-759001(Orissa) | 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 6. | Narasingh Choudhury (Auto) College, Jajpur-755001 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 to 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 7 | <u>VBS Purvanchal University, Jaunpur (U.P)</u> Sri Agrasen Kanya Autonomous PG College, Varanasi (UP) | 2005-2006 | 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 8 | Udai Pratap College, Bhojubir, Varanasi-221002(UP) | 2005-2006 | 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 9 | <u>UP Technical University, Lucknow</u> Harcourt Butlar Technological Institute, Kanpur-208002(UP) | 1998-1999 | 1999-2000 to 2000-2008 | 2008-2009 to 2013-2014 |

Action: JS(AC/PPP-I)

B. Conferment of fresh autonomous status.

| Name of the college/university to which affiliated | Period recommended by the Committee |
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| 1. <u>Anna University, Coimbatore</u> Bannari Amman Institute of Technology, Sathyamangalam-638401 (T.N). | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 2. Kongu Engineering College, Perundurair R.S. Road, Perundurair, Erode- 638052(T.N) | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 3. <u>Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum</u> Maland College of Engineering, P.B. No. 21, Hassan-573201 | 2008-2009 to 2013-2014 |
| 4. Shri Jayachanarajendra College of Engineering, Mysore | 2008-2009 to 2013-2014 |
| 5. <u>University of Pune, Pune</u> Bansilal Ramnath Agarwal Charitable Trust's Vishwakarma Institute of Technology, 666, Upper Indiranagar, Bibwewadi-411037 | 2008-2009 to 2013-2014 |

Action : JS(AC)

- 5.12: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Tumkur, Karnataka for the conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission examined the recommendations of the Expert Committee and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for conferment of

Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 to Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Tumkur, Karnataka comprising of (i) Sri Siddharatha Medical College and (ii) Sri Siddharatha Dental College.

The Commission further decided that the issue relating to recommendation of Sri Siddharatha Institute of Technology may be examined by the Chairman, UGC and Chairman, AICTE jointly to sort out differences in the UGC Expert Committee report and AICTE advice.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

- 5.13: To consider the request of the Principal, Sri Venkateswara College, Delhi to utilize the special grant of Rs.50,00,000/- for Construction of Auditorium sanctioned during IX Plan period under Development Assistance.

The Commission considered the request of the Principal, Sri Venkateswara College, Delhi to utilize the special grant of Rs.50,00,000/- for construction of auditorium sanctioned during IX Plan period under College Development Assistance and decided that the college may be allowed to utilize the grant during XI Plan Period with no further extension.

Action: JS(DC/DU)

- 5.14: To consider reports of the Expert Visiting Committees for **Extension of Autonomous Status** two Colleges falling in the States of Tamilnadu, affiliated to Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli respectively (**P.878-908**).

The Commission considered the recommendations of the Expert Committee and agreed

for extension of autonomous status to the following two colleges in Tamil Nadu:

| | Name of the college/university to which affiliated | Autonomy valid upto | Period of ex-post facto approval | Approval for further Extension and continuation of Autonomous status from the academic years |
|----|---|---------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| 1 | <u>Bharathidasan University,</u> <u>Tiruchirappalli</u> A.V.C. College, Mayiladuthurai-609305 (T.N) | 2001-2002 | 2002-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |
| 2. | Government Arts College (Auto), Kumbakonam-612001 | 2004-2005 | 2005-2007 | 2007-2008 to 2012-2013 |

Action: JS(AC/PPP-I)

5.15 To consider the XI Plan UGC Guidelines for the scheme “Organizing Conferences/Workshops/Seminars in Colleges” during Eleventh Five Year Plan Period (2007-2012).

The Commission examined the guidelines for the scheme of “Organizing Conferences/Workshops/Seminars in Colleges” during Eleventh Five Year Plan Period (2007-2012) and approved the same with the enhanced ceiling as under:

| | | |
|---|----|---------------------|
| <i>State Level Conference/Workshop/Seminar</i> | .. | <i>Rs.1.00 lakh</i> |
| <i>National Level Conference/Workshop/Seminar</i> | .. | <i>Rs.1.50 lakh</i> |

Action: JS(IX Plan/JS(SR-III)

- 5.16 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai, Maharashtra for (1) Ex-post-facto approval of five Constituent Units started at Mumbai Campus (2) Starting Off-Campus Centre at Shirpur, Dhule District, Maharashtra comprising of two constituent units namely (i) Mukesh Patel School of Technology Management & Engineering (ii) School of Pharmacy & Technology Management under the ambit of Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai, Deemed to be University.

The Commission examined the report of the Expert Committee and noted that Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai had violated UGC guidelines of starting five constituent units without prior approval of the Commission. Explanation be sought from the said Institute.

The Commission further decided to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for starting two off-campus centres, namely (i) Mukesh Patel School of Technology, Management and Engineering and (ii) School of Pharmacy Technology Management at Shirpur, Dhule District (Maharashtra) and to bring the same under the ambit of Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai. The overall performance of these off-campus centres shall be monitored annually initially, for three years, and subsequently after every five years by the UGC, whose directions for management and academic improvement shall be binding.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

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SECTION-6 (MISCELLANEOUS)

6.01: To consider certain establishment matters of the University Grants Commission.

The Commission desired that all Bureau Heads may be requested to prepare a calendar of events schemewise for the year 2008-2009 (1st April 2008 – 31st March, 2009).

Action: AS(I)&FA

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 next meeting of the Commission would be held on 17th March, 2008 at 10.00 a.m. in the office of UGC.

Action : Director(Admn.)

6.04 To consider the report of the Review Committee for the “*Centre with Potential for Excellence in Traditional Sastras*” at Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha Tirupati.

The Commission examined and approved the recommendations of the Review Committee which visited the “Centre with Potential for Excellence in Traditional Sastras” at Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, Tirupati, Tirupati and authorized the Chairman to decide allocation for the XI Plan.

Action: JS(NS/PE)

6.05 To consider the minutes of 29th meeting of the Distance Education Council held on 29th June, 2007 at IGNOU.

The Commission approved the minutes of 29th meeting of the Distance Education Council held on 29th June, 2007 at IGNOU.

The Commission further noted that the provisions of MoU are not being followed in letter and spirit. The Ministry of Human Resource Development has fixed a meeting to thrash out issues between UGC, AICTE and DEC. The outcome of the joint meeting may be reported to the Commission.

Action: JS(CPP-II)

6.06 To consider the matter for establishment of an Inter University Centre for Research in Higher Education Policy.

The Commission approved the establishment of an Inter University Centre for Research in Higher Education Policy under Section 12 (ccc) of the UGC Act and decided that the proposal be forwarded to MHRD for taking necessary action. The Commission authorized the Chairman to get the Memorandum of Association and Byelaws prepared for this IUC.

Action: JS(IUC)

ANY OTHER ITEM

(1) *Recorded separately.*

Action: Director (Admn.)

(2) *Recorded Separately.*

Action: JS (XI Plan)/JS (PRC)

- (3) *The MHRD may explore the possibility of setting up a “Joint Committee” with all the regulatory bodies so as to have forum to discuss issues related to national importance and overlapping items of work.*

Action: JS(CPP-II)

- (4) *The Commission considered the Annual Report of UGC for the year 2006-07 and decided that the Report may be forwarded to MHRD for taking necessary action.*

Action: JS(AC/CPP-I)

- (5) *The Commission decided that the scheme of College Development Council may be revived during the XI Plan period under merged scheme.*

Action: JS(XI Plan)

(SUKHADEO THORAT)
Chairman