Minutes of the 446th Meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 17th April, 2008.

The 446th Meeting was held on 17th April, 2008 at 10.30 A.M. in which the following were present:-

1. Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat Chairman
2. Prof. Mool Chand Sharma Vice Chairperson
3. Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu Member
4. Dr. (Mrs.) Shashi Rai Member
5. Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar Member
6. Prof. D. Singh Chauhan Member
7. Prof. Achyutananda Samanta Member
8. Prof. Jalees Ahmed Khan Tareen Member

Shri R.P. Agrawal, Dr. Sanjiv Mishra, Prof. Shivajirao Shripatrao Kadam and Prof. Xavier Alphonse, S.J., Members could not attend the meeting. They were granted leave of absence.

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
1.01(a): To confirm the minutes of the 445th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 27th March, 2008.

*While confirming the minutes of the meeting of the Commission held on 27th March, 2008, the following decisions were made:*

**Item No.6.01(ii):** The Chairman, UGC was authorized to constitute a Committee consisting of Members of the Commission so as to work-out a Medical Reimbursement Scheme for the Commission Members.

*Action: Director (Admn.)*

**Item No.6.01(iii):** The Commission suggested that an early action may be taken to publish the advertisement for recruitment of Education Officer.

*Action: Director (Admn.)*

**Any Other Item: (1)** Since the Gazette Notification dated 29th November, 2006 has already been issued nominating Shri R.P. Agrawal, Secretary, MHRD as a Member of the Commission for a period of three years, the MHRD may be requested to nominate another Member in the place of Dr. Sanjiv Mishra, Former Expenditure Secretary, who has been transferred.

*Action: Director (Admn.)*

**Any Other Item: (4)**

- *A meeting of the Convenors of the various Expert Committees constituted for the XI Plan may be organized immediately.*
- *The visits to all Universities may be completed by 31.07.2008. The visit may not be fixed during the vacation period.*
All the Member Secretaries of the Expert Committee may be requested to send the dates of visit to various Universities within ten days to JS (CPP-II). A consolidated schedule be submitted to the Chairman within 15 days.

Action: JS (CPP-II)

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

The Commission ratified the decision of the Chairman, UGC in approving the recommendation of the Committee constituted to evaluate the proposal of Delhi College for construction of Auditorium building and payment as the first installment during the year 2007-08.

Action: JS (DC)

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

The Commission noted with satisfaction the expenditure incurred during the year 2007-08.

Action: FA

SECTION-2
(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

There were no items under this section.

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

There were no items under this section.

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

There were no items under this section.
SECTION-5
(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

5.01: To consider the Report of UGC Expert Committee to prepare Model DPR for 374 New Colleges to be set up in Educationally Backward Districts (Low GER Districts) in the country.

This was deferred.

Action: JS (CPP-II)

5.02: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu for conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission examined the recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee, AICTE Committee and the advice of the AICTE and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for conferment of Deemed to be University status to Karapagam Academy of Higher Education, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu comprising of Karapagam College of Arts & Science.

Action: JS (CPP-I)

5.03: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Graphic Era University, Dehradun, Uttarakhand for conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

This was deferred.

Action: JS (CPP-I)
5.04: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to bring (1) College of Management Studies, GITAM, (2) GITAM Dental College & Hospital and (3) College of Pharmacy under the ambit of Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management (GITAM), Deemed University, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

The Commission examined the report of the UGC Expert Committee and the advice of AICTE and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of HRD that the following three institutions may be included under the ambit of Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management (GITAM), Deemed University, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh as its constituent units:

(1) College of Management Studies, GITAM, Visakhapatnam, A.P.
(2) GITAM Dental College & Hospital, Visakhapatnam, A.P.
(3) College of Pharmacy, Visakhapatnam, A.P.

However, the overall performance of the above constituent units shall be monitored annually, initially for three years, and subsequently after every five years by the UGC.

Action: JS (CPP-I)

5.05: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred to Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu.

This was deferred.

Action: JS (CPP-I)
5.06: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to bring (1) Mahatma Gandhi Ayurved College, Wardha, Maharashtra (2) Ravi Nair Physiotherapy College, Wardha, Maharashtra and (3) Smt. Radhikabai Meghe Memorial College of Nursing, Wardha, Maharashtra under the ambit of Datta Meghe Institute of Medical Sciences, Deemed University, Nagpur, Maharashtra.

*The Commission examined the recommendations of the Expert Committee and agreed to recommend to the Ministry of Human Resource Development that the following three institutions may be included under the ambit of Datta Meghe Institute of Medical Sciences, Deemed University, Nagpur, Maharashtra as its constituent units:*

1. Mahatma Gandhi Ayurved College, Wardha, Maharashtra
2. Ravi Nair Physiotherapy College, Wardha, Maharashtra
3. Smt. Radhikabai Meghe Memorial College of Nursing, Wardha, Maharashtra

*However, the overall performance of the above constituent units shall be monitored annually initially for three years and subsequently after five years by the UGC.*

**Action:** JS (CPP-I)

5.07: To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of Akruti Citygold Institute, Mumbai, Maharashtra for the conferment of Deemed to be University status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 under de-novo category.

*This was deferred.*

**Action:** JS (CPP-I)
5.08: 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.

This was deferred. 

Action: JS (CPP-I)

5.09: To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee for considering the proposal of Eastern Institute for Integrated Learning in Management (EIILM) (Private University, Jorethang, Sikkim for inclusion under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission approved the inspection report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC which visited the Eastern Institute for Integrated Learning in Management (EIILM) (Private University), Jorethang, Sikkim on 15 and 16th March, 2008. It was decided that the report may be sent to the University for follow up action.

Action: JS (CPP-I)

5.10: To consider reports of the Expert Visiting Committees for Conferment of fresh Autonomous Status in respect of B.V. Bhoomaraddi College of Engineering and Technology, Vidyanagar, Hubli-580031 and Extension of Autonomous Status in respect of Meenakshi College for Women (Autonomous), Kodambakkam, Chennai-600024 falling in the States of Karnataka and Tamilnadu affiliated to Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum and University of Madras, Chennai respectively.

The Commission examined the report of the expert visiting committee
and approved the same for grant of fresh autonomy and extension of autonomy as per details given below:

(a). **Fresh autonomous status**

B.V. Bhoomaraddi College of Engineering and Technology, Vidyanagar, Hubli-580 031 (Visvesvarava Technological University, Belgaum for a period of six years from the academic session 2008-2009 to 2013-2014.

(b). **Extension of autonomous status**

Ex-post facto approval to Meenakashi College for Women, Kodambakkam, Chennai-600024 (University of Madras) from the academic year 2003-2004 to 2007-2008 and fresh extension of autonomy for a period of six years from the academic year 2008-09 to 2013-2014.

(c). **All the pending cases for extension of autonomy may be processed in a time bound manner so as to complete it within two months.**

Action: JS (CPP-I/AC)

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

This was deferred

Action: JS (CPP-I)
6.01: To consider certain establishment matter of the University Grants Commission.

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 Chairman was authorized to fix the date of the next meeting of the Commission.

Action Director (Admn.)

6.04: To consider the final report of the Committee (Dr. B.L. Mungekar) regarding exemption from NET qualifications for minimum qualifications for appointment and Career Advancement of Teachers in Universities and affiliated Colleges.

This was deferred

6.05: To report the extension of time to M/s TCS Ltd. for submission of performance, bank guarantee and other related issues.

Recorded Separately.

Action JS (C & T)
Item No.: 7.01: To consider certain establishment matters.

Recorded Separately.

Action: Director (Admn.)

(SUKHADEO THORAT)
CHAIRMAN