UNIVERSITYGRANTSCOMMISSION
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MINUTES OF THE 456TH MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
HELD ON 24TH FEBRUARY, 2009.

The 456th Meeting of the Commission was held on 24th February, 2009 in which the following were present:-

1. Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat Chairman
2. Prof. Mool Chand Sharma Vice Chairperson
3. Prof. Shivajirao Shripatrao Kadam Member
4. Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu Member
5. Prof. Xavier Alphonse, S.J. Member
6. Prof. Jalees Ahmed Khan Tareen Member
7. Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar Member
8. Prof. D. Singh Chauhan Member
9. Prof. Achyutananda Samanta Member

Shri R.P. Agrawal and Mrs. Rita Menon could not attend the meeting. Leave of absence was granted to them.

Prof. R.A. Yadav, Chairman, AICTE who was invited to attend as a Special Invitee could not attend.

The following officers of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary
Dr. R. K. Chauhan

Director (Admn.)
Dr. K. Gunasekaran

Joint Secretary (Finance)
Dr. C.S. Meena
At the outset, the Chairman placed on record the appreciation for the excellent work done by Dr.(Mrs.) Shashi Rai, during her tenure as Member. He also complimented Prof. Xavier Alphonse, S.J. for getting extension of his second term as a Commission Member w.e.f. 23.02.2009 for a period of three years. He also complimented Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar for getting the Young EDGE Award for Educational Leadership. After this, Commission took the agenda listed for the meeting.

The letter dated 21st February, 2009 from Dr.Vidya Yeravdekar, Member Commission in which she has given her comments regarding various items, was circulated to the Members. The same were considered at the time of consideration of the respective items.

SECTION-1

1.01 (a) To confirm the minutes of the 455th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 27th January, 2009.

The minutes were confirmed subject to the following modifications.

Item No.2.01

The following modifications may be inserted in the UGC Fitness of Institutions for Grants (Amendment) Rules, 2009 under Section 12 B of UGC Act, 1956.

“is either permanently or temporarily affiliated to a university and receiving Plan or Non-Plan Grant from State Government or Central Government or State/Central Government Funded Bodies on continuous basis. This will be only upto the end of XI Plan period.”

Action: JS(CPP-II)

Item No.4.01

The decision is modified as under:

“The Commission approved the increase of Honorarium from Rs.4,000/- p.m. to Rs.10,000/- p.m. w.e.f. 01.01.2006 to Dr.(Mrs.) Balbir Kaur Rissam. Reader, as Kashmiri Migrant Visiting Faculty.”

Action: JS(CPP-II)

Item No. 5.08

The following may be added at the end of the Resolution:
“The final decision is deferred and the matter may be brought before the Commission for final decision alongwith the Compliance Report”.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

1.01 (b) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 455th of the University Grants Commission held on 27th January, 2009.

This was noted.

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

(i) To ratify the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC to recommend ex-post-facto approval to MHRD to bring Saveetha Medical College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu under the ambit of Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences, Deemed University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

The Commission ratified the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC to recommend ex-post-facto approval to MHRD to bring Saveetha Medical College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu under the ambit of Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences, Deemed University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

(ii) Recorded separately.

(ii) Report of the UGC Expert Committee regarding Special Grant of Rs. 100 crores to Panjab University:

The Commission approved the Action taken by the Chairman, UGC in forwarding the Report of the Expert Committee for Special Grant of Rs.100 crores to Panjab University to MHRD and decided that the MHRD may be requested to provide additional budget of Rs.100 crores to UGC over and above the B.E. for 2008-09 so as to provide the grant to Panjab University, as recommended by the Expert Committee.

Action : JS(CPP-II)
1.02 (b) To receive the items of information.


This was noted.

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

This was noted.

SECTION-2
(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider the report of UGC Expert Committee constituted to prepare an Action Plan on Internationalization of Higher Education”.

The Commission considered the Report of the Expert Committee on Internationalization of Higher Education and accepted its recommendations in principle. However, it was decided that a detailed Action Plan to operationalise the scheme may be worked out by the same Committee and this may be brought before the Commission at the earliest possible.

Action: JS(CPP-II)

SECTION-2
(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.02 To consider giving relaxation of 5% (i.e. from 55% to 50%) marks at Master’s level and graduate level under the term of good academic record at par with SC/ST candidates to the physically and visually handicapped candidates for appointment as Principal, Professor, Reader, Lecturer, Registrar, Dy. Registrar, Asstt. Registrar, Librarian, Dy. Librarian, Asstt. Librarian, College Librarian, Director of Physical
Education & Sports, Dy. Director of Physical Education & Sports, Asstt. Director of Physical Education & Sports and College Director of Physical Education & Sports.

The Commission approved the relaxation of 5% (i.e. from 55% to 50%) marks at Master’s level and graduate level under the term of “Good academic record” at par with SC/ST candidates to the physically and visually handicapped candidates for appointment as Principal, Professor, Reader, Lecturer, Registrar, Dy. Registrar, Asstt. Registrar, Librarian, Dy. Librarian, Asstt. Librarian, College Librarian, Director of Physical Education & Sports, Dy. Director of Physical Education & Sports, Asstt. Director of Physical Education & Sports and College Director of Physical Education & Sports.

Action : JS(PS)

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

There was no item under this section.
SECTION-4
(SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC.)

4.01 To consider the Guidelines for scheme of establishment of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in Universities and Colleges.

The Commission approved in principle the Guidelines for the Scheme of establishment of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC). Further, it was decided that in the first phase only Universities (State and Central) may be considered for supporting under the Scheme. In the 2nd Phase, the Colleges may also be supported. The Commission further decided that the following may be the level of assistance to a University.

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<th>S.No.</th>
<th>Purpose of grant</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Honorarium to Director, IQAC @Rs.1000x12x5</td>
<td>60,000/-</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Office Equipments</td>
<td>1,00,000/-</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Hiring Services for Secretarial &amp; Technical Services</td>
<td>1,80,000/-</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>ICTs Communication expenses</td>
<td>80,000/-</td>
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<td>Contingencies</td>
<td>80,000/-</td>
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Action : JS(IUC)

4.02 To consider the revised XI Plan UGC Guidelines for UGC – Infonet Digital Library Consortium.

The Commission considered the revised XI Plan UGC Guidelines for UGC – Infonet Digital Library Consortium and approved the same. The Commission further decided that “Science Direct” proposal already sent by INFLIBNET may be supported so that each University need not pay the heavy amount in this regard, which shall be provided by INFLIBNET alongwith other journals.

Action : JS(IUC)
To consider the revised Guideline for Establishment of Special Cells for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Universities / Deemed to be Universities and Grant in Aid Institutions such as I.U.C.s etc. during XI Plan Period.

*The Commission approved the revised Guidelines for Establishment of Special Cells for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Universities/Deemed to be Universities and Grant in Aid Institutions such as I.U.C.s etc. during XI Plan Period.*

Action: JS(SC/ST)

SECTION-5
(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

5.01
To report the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC to recommend ex-post-facto approval to MHRD to bring Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Gram - Lavale, Tal – Mushi, Dt. Pune, Maharashtra under the ambit of Symbiosis International University, (Deemed to be University), Pune, Maharashtra.

*The Commission approved the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC to recommend ex-post-facto approval to MHRD to bring Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Gram - Lavale, Tal – Mushi, Dt. Pune, Maharashtra under the ambit of Symbiosis International University, (Deemed to be University), Pune, Maharashtra.*

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.02
To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to bring (1) D.Y. Patil Dental College & Hospital, Kolhapur & (2) Dr. D.Y. Patil College of Engineering & Technology, Talsande, Dt. Kolhapur under the ambit of Dr. D.Y. Patil Education Society, (Deemed to be University), Kolhapur.

*The Commission considered the Expert Committee Report constituted by the Chairman, UGC, approval of the courses by AICTE and AICTE advice to bring (1) D.Y. Patil Dental College & Hospital, Kolhapur and (2) Dr. D.Y. Patil College of Engineering & Technology, Talsande, Dt. Kolhapur under the ambit of Dr. D.Y.*
Patil Education Society, Deemed University, Kolhapur, Maharashtra and agreed to recommend to the MHRD for bringing these Institutions under the ambit of Dr. D.Y. Patil Education Society, (Deemed to be University), Kolhapur, Maharashtra subject to annual review for three years and subsequently after five years.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.03 To consider four (04) reports of the Expert Visiting Committees for Conferment of fresh Autonomous Status in respect of 04 four colleges i.e. (1) Regional College of Management, Bhubneswar affiliated to Biju Patnaik University of Technology, Rourkela, (2) Theivanai Ammal College for Women, Villupuram-605602 (TN) affiliated to Thiruvallaur University (3) Poompuhar College, Melaiyur (Tamilnadu) affiliated to Bharatidasan University and (4) Nitte meenakshi Institute of Technology, P.B. No. 6429, Govindapura, Gollahalli, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064 (Karnatak) affiliated to Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum falling in the States of Orissa, Tamilnadu, Karnatak, respectively.

The Commission approved the recommendations of the Expert Committees for conferment of fresh autonomous status as per the details given below:

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<th>NAME OF THE COLLEGE</th>
<th>PERIOD OF AUTONOMY APPROVED</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Regional College of Management, Bhubneswar</td>
<td>Six years w.e.f. 2009-2010 to 2014-2015</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Theivanai Ammal College for Women, Villupuram-605602</td>
<td>Six years w.e.f. 2009-2010 to 2014-2015</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Poompuhar College, Melaiyur, TN</td>
<td>Six years w.e.f. 2009-2010 to 2014-2015</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Nitte meenakshi Institute of Technology, P.B. No. 6429, Govindapura, Gollahalli, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064</td>
<td>Six years w.e.f. 2009-2010 to 2014-2015</td>
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Action: JS(CPP-I/AC)

5.04 To consider the reports of the Expert Visiting Committees for Extension of Autonomous Status in respect of 3 three colleges i.e. (1) Govt. Maharaja P.G. College, Chhatarpur-471001 affiliated to Dr. H.S. Gour University, Sagar (MP), (2) Govt. P.G. College, Satna-485001 (MP) affiliated to Awadh Pratap Singh University, Rewa, (3)
Government Thakur Ranamat Singh College, Rewa (MP) affiliated to Awadh Pratap Singh University, Rewa falling in the States of Madhya Pradesh respectively.

The Commission considered the reports of the Expert Committees for extension of autonomous in respect of the following Colleges and approved the recommendations of the Visiting Committees as indicated below:

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<th>NAME OF THE COLLEGE</th>
<th>EXTENSION OF AUTONOMY APPROVED</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Govt. Maharaja P.G. College, Chhatarpur-471001</td>
<td>2008-09 to 2013-2014 including ex-post-fact approval from 2006-2008</td>
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Action : JS(CPP-I/AC)

To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to consider the proposal of Padmashree Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Deemed University, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra for ex-post-facto approval to (a) Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics (b) Department of Business Management (c) Department of Physiotherapy (d) Department of Education (e) Department of Hospitality and Tourism Studies and (f) Dr. D.Y. Patil College of Ayurved and Research Institute, started without the approval of UGC.

The Commission considered Report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to consider ex-post-facto approval to (a) Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics (b) Department of Business Management (c) Department of Physiotherapy (d) Department of Education (e) Department of Hospitality and Tourism Studies and (f) Dr. D.Y. Patil College of Ayurved and Research Institute, started without the approval of UGC and agreed for ex-post-facto approval for bringing the above Departments under the ambit of Padmashree Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, (Deemed to be University), Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra subject to annual review for three years and subsequently after five years.

Action : JS(CPP-I)
To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for inclusion of Rajarajeswari Engineering College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu under the ambit of Dr. M.G.R. Educational & Research Institute, (Deemed to be University), Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

The Commission considered Report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC for inclusion of Rajarajeswari Engineering College, Chennai, Tamil Nadu under the ambit of Dr. M.G.R. Educational & Research Institute, Deemed University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, AICTE Expert Committee Report and AICTE advice and agreed to recommend to the MHRD for bringing Rajarajeswari Engineering College, Chennai under the ambit of Dr. M.G.R. Educational & Research Institute, (Deemed to be University), Chennai, Tamil Nadu subject to annual review for three years and subsequently after five years.

Action : JS(CPP-I)

To consider the Report of The Expert Committee which visited (i) K.S. Hegde Medical Academy, Deralakatte, Mangalore (ii) Nitte Usha Institute of Nursing Sciences, Deralakatte, Mangalore. (iii) Nitte Gulabi Shetty Memorial Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences Deralakatte, Mangalore. and (iv) Nitte Institute of Physiotherapy, Deralakatte, Mangalore (v) Nitte Mahilinga Adyanthaya Memorial Institute of Technology, Karkala, Udupi to bring them under the ambit of Nitte University (Deemed University), Deralakatte, Mangalore (Karnataka) During 20th 21st and 22nd January, 2009.

The Commission considered the Expert Committee Report constituted by the Chairman, UGC, AICTE Expert Committee Report and AICTE advice to bring (i) K.S. Hegde Medical Academy, Deralakatte, Mangalore (ii) Nitte Usha Institute of Nursing Sciences, Deralakatte, Mangalore. (iii) Nitte Gulabi Shetty Memorial Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences Deralakatte, Mangalore and (iv) Nitte Institute of Physiotherapy, Deralakatte, Mangalore and approved to bring the above institutions under the ambit of Nitte University (Deemed University), Deralakatte, Mangalore (Karnataka) subject to annual review for three years and subsequently after five years. The Commission also agreed to recommend to MHRD for bringing Nitte Mahalinga Adyanthaya Memorial Institute of Technology, Karkala, Udupi
under the ambit of the above Deemed University as an Off Campus Centre subject to annual review for three years and subsequently after five years.

Action : JS(CPP-I)

5.08 To consider the Report of the UGC Expert Committee for considering the proposal of the Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram University of Science and Technology, Murthal, Haryana for inclusion under Section 12 (B) of UGC Act.

The Commission considered the Report of the UGC Expert Committee and approved its recommendation to include the Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram University of Science and Technology, Murthal, Haryana for inclusion under Section 12(B) of UGC Act.

Action : JS(CPP-I)

5.09 To consider the Issues relating to release of UGC Grants for 374 new Degree Colleges in Low GER - Educationally Backward Districts in the country.

The Commission approved in principle the release of UGC grant for 374 new Degree Colleges in Low GER in Educationally Backward Districts in the country. The Commission authorized the Chairman to workout the appropriate conditionality to be followed in releasing the grants to such colleges, which may be reported to the Commission for information in due course. These colleges may be given 12(B) status upto the end of XI Five Year Plan as decided in the previous meeting of the Commission.

Action : JS(CPP-II)

5.10 To consider the issues relating to UGC Grants to new XI Plan Universities/Bifurcated State Universities.

The Commission considered the issues relating to the UGC grants to new XI Plan Universities/Bifurcated State Universities and approved the following:

(i) The State Governments may be requested to submit the proposal to UGC/MHRD on the New Universities/established or to be established by
them during XI Plan with an undertaking that they would adopt the “UGC Regulations on Affiliation Norms, 2009,” besides adoption of UGC norms and procedures in the establishment and governance of the Universities’.

(2) Such Universities may be given section 12(B) status on temporary basis upto the end of XI Plan to facilitate release of grant to them. During this period, these Universities should fulfill all norms for grant of section 12(B) status on permanent basis.

(3) After completing (1) & (2) above, the UGC may release grant maximum of upto Rs.5.0 crores as “one time seed grant” to each of such new Universities established/to be established during XI Plan period, for which the Universities will submit a detailed proposal to UGC. The State will have to meet the total recurring liability.

(4) The Chairman is authorized to prepare the guidelines to operationalise this schemes.

Action: JS(CPP-II)

5.11 To consider the issues relating to UGC Grants for Supporting Uncovered State Universities and Colleges.

The Commission considered the issues relating to UGC Grants for Supporting Uncovered State Universities and Colleges and resolved as under :

(i) The State Governments may be requested to submit the proposal to UGC/MHRD on the Universities established by them with an undertaking that they would adopt the “UGC Regulations on Affiliation Norms, 2009,” besides adoption of UGC norms and procedures in the establishment and governance of the Universities’.

(ii) All the affiliating Universities may also be requested to submit the proposal to UGC/MHRD regarding the Colleges getting State or Central Government funding and not yet approved under section 12(B) of UGC Act, 1956.
(iii) Such Universities and Colleges may be given section 12(B) status on temporary basis up to the end of XI Plan to facilitate release of grant to them. During this period, these Universities and Colleges should fulfill all norms for grant of section 12(B) status on permanent basis.

(iv) The one-time grant under this scheme shall only be provided to meet the requirements of Physical infrastructure, laboratories, class-rooms, libraries and their modernization, etc., and not for any recurring expenditure including faculty positions.

(v) All Non-Minority Universities/Colleges applying for receiving grants under this Special Scheme shall undertake to satisfy Reservation Policy of the concerned State Government.

(vi) Based on the detailed project reports, the UGC may develop the parameters for funding of these Universities and Colleges including the priority to States universities/colleges to low GER. The Chairman is authorized to decide the guidelines in this respect and operationalised the schemes.

(vii) A sum not exceeding of Rs.5 crores to University and Rs.1 crore to a College be provided under the Scheme subject to availability of funds on the basis of seniority of the Institutions. The funding for the Universities and Government Colleges would be on sharing basis of 50:50 by the UGC and the concerned State Government. In case of Colleges with private partnership the sharing would be in the ratio of 50:40:10 by the UGC, concerned State Government and the concerned private management.

Action: JS(CPP-II/XI Plan)
5.12 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of St. Joseph College of Engineering, Chennai, Tamil Nadu for conferment of Deemed to be University status in the name of ‘St. Joseph’s Institute of Science and Technology’ under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

The Commission considered the Expert Committee Report constituted by the Chairman, UGC to assess the proposal of St. Joseph’s College of Engineering, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, report of the AICTE Expert Committee and its advice and agreed to recommend to the MHRD for conferment of Deemed to be University status to St. Joseph’s College of Engineering, Chennai, Tamil Nadu in the name of St. Joseph’s Institute of Science & Technology subject to review after five years.

Action : JS(CPP-I)

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

Recorded separately.

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

The next meeting of the Commission will be held on 24th March, 2009.

(R.K. CHAUHAN)  (SUKHADEO THORAT)
SECRETARY        CHAIRMAN