
The 466th Meeting of the Commission was held on 19th November, 2009 in which the following were present:-

1. Prof. Ved Prakash      Vice Chairman
2. Mrs. Vilasini Ramachandran    Member
3. Prof. K. Ramamurthy Naidu    Member
4. Prof. Shivajirao Shripatrao Kadam    Member
5. Prof. Xavier Alphonse, S.J.    Member
6. Prof. Achyutananda Samanta    Member

Since Prof. Sukhadeo Thorat, Chairman, UGC was indisposed, he could not attend. The Vice-Chairman, UGC who was Acting as Chairman presided over the meeting. Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar and Shri R.P. Agrawal, Members, could not attend the meeting. Leave of absence was granted to them.

Prof. S.S. Mantha, Acting Chairman, AICTE, who was invited to attend as a Special Invitee, could not attend the meeting.

Shri Sunil Kumar, Joint Secretary, MHRD attended the meeting as a Special Invitee.

The following officers of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary
Dr. R. K. Chauhan

Additional Secretaries
Dr. N.A. Kazmi
Dr. K. Gunasekaran

Financial Adviser
Shri A.K. Dogra
AGENDA
SECTION-1

1.01 (a) To confirm the minutes of the 465th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 27th October, 2009.

The minutes of the 465th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 27th October, 2009 were confirmed with the following modifications:

Item No.2.01
The name of “Social Science College, Pune” may be read as “Social Science Centre, Pune”.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

Item No.4.04
The Commission considered the letter D.O.No.6-21/2009-U.I(A) dated 13.11.2009 received from Shri Sunil Kumar, Joint Secretary, MHRD and decided that the issue may be re-examined in the light of Government communication and the Ph.D. Regulations and the cases of exemption from NET with effect from 01-06-2009 may be deferred.

Action: JS(PS)

1.01 (b) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 465th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 27th October, 2009.

This was noted.

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

(i) To report the decision of the Ministry of Human Resource Development regarding modification in the cadre and recruitment rules for the post of Under Secretary in University Grants Commission.

(i) This was noted.

Action: AS-II/Director(Admn.)
SECTION-2
(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider the question of (1) including the State Govt. nominee in the Joint Expert Committee constituted for the conferment of fresh autonomous status and for giving extension of the autonomy tenure and (2) providing a representative of teachers nominated by the Principal of the College in the Governing Body.

The Commission considered the letter dated 17th December, 2008 received from Shri Sunil Kumar, Joint Secretary, MHRD on the above issue and decided that the concerned State Govt. may be requested to nominate its nominee both at the time of fresh induction of a College as an autonomous college and at the time of reviewing the work of an autonomous College. In case the State Govt. do not provide its nominee within 90 days after the issue of the letter, the above Committees may go ahead with the process of review and for the fresh induction. The Commission further decided that two teachers representatives may be nominated by the Principal of the College to serve in the Governing Body for a period of two years.

Action: JS(AC/MRP)

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

4.01 To consider the XI Plan Guidelines for “Centres with Potential for Excellence in Particular Area”.

The Commission considered the XI Plan Guidelines for “Centres with Potential for Excellence in Particular Area” and approved the same.

Action: JS(PE/NS)
4.02 To consider the Expert Committee Report for establishment of an advanced centre for American Studies in Osmania University, Hyderabad.

The Commission considered the Expert Committee Report for the establishment of an advanced centre for American Studies in Osmania University, Hyderabad and decided that Osmania University and State Government of Andhra Pradesh may be requested to indicate the contribution they would like to make for the establishment of the above Centre.

The University may also request the US Embassy for financial assistance for this purpose.

This may be placed before the Commission again after receipt of above information.

Action: JS(SU/IC)

SECTION-5
(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

5.00 (i) The Commission considered and accepted the OVERVIEW REPORT prepared taking into account the Reports of the Expert Committee in respect of the 16 Deemed to be Universities and decided that the above reports may be sent to MHRD. The Commission further decided that the same kind of consolidation of the future Reports of the Expert Committees be undertaken in respect of the subsequent reports which are to be considered/approved by the Commission and presented at next meeting of the Commission. It was further decided that an updated
summary be prepared on subsequent meetings so that the updated report could be forwarded to the Ministry at each time.

(ii) The Commission further decided that a copy of the report may also be sent to the concerned Deemed to be University for taking immediate follow-up action and reporting the same within three months.

(iii) The Deemed to be Universities which have not applied/undergone NAAC assessment be asked to apply immediately not later than three months and send a compliance report to the UGC and MHRD. The NAAC may also be requested to undertake Peer Team visit for accreditation of such Institutions on priority.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.01 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Ponnaiyah Ramajayam Institute of Science & Technology (PRIST), Thanjavur, Tamilnadu.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Ponnaiyah Ramajayam Institute of Science & Technology (PRIST), Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.02 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the functioning of Vinayaka Mission’s Research Foundation, Deemed to be University, Salem, Tamilnadu and its off-campus centres at Pondicherry, Karaikal and Chennai.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of
Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation, Deemed to be University, Salem, Tamilnadu and its off-campus centres at Pondicherry, Karaikal and Chennai may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.03
To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Hindustan Institute of Technology & Science, Padur, Kancheepuram, Tamilnadu.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Hindustan Institute of Technology & Science, Padur, Kancheepuram, Tamilnadu may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.04
To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Krishna Institute of Medical Sciences, Karad, Dt. Satara, Maharashtra.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Krishna Institute of Medical Sciences, Karad, Dt. Satara, Maharashtra may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.05
To consider the decision taken by the Chairman, UGC regarding considering the proposals for establishing new departments within the campus, setting up of off-campus centre(s)/Institution(s)/off-shore
campus by the deemed to be universities not accredited by NAAC but having 75% of the eligible courses accredited by NBA.

The Commission considered the issue relating to accreditation of Deemed to be Universities before applying for bringing an existing institution under its ambit or off-campus or off-shore campus and decided that such institutions should have at least ‘B’ Grade from NAAC assessment. The proposed institution, if eligible for NAAC or NBA assessment, should also have ‘B’ Grade from the NAAC or accreditation from NBA.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.06
To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi Viswa Mahavidyalaya, Enathur, Kancheepuram, Tamilnadu.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Sri Chandrasekharendra Saraswathi Viswa Mahavidyalaya, Enathur, Kancheepuram, Tamilnadu may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.07
To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Ladnun, Dt. Nagaur, Rajasthan.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Jain Vishva Bharati Institute, Ladnun, Dt. Nagaur, Rajasthan may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)
5.08 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the functioning of Kerala Kalamandalam, Thrissur, Kerala a deemed to be university.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Kerala Kalamandalam, Thrissur, Kerala a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.09 To consider the Report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the functioning of the Nehru Gram Bharati University, Kotwa-Jamunipur-Dubawal, Allahabad as deemed to be university.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Nehru Gram Bharati University, Kotwa-Jamunipur-Dubawal, Allahabad a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.10 To consider the Report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the performance and functioning of the Lingaya’s University, Nachauli, Old Faridabad – Jasana Road, Faridabad – 121 002, Haryana as deemed to be university under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Lingaya’s University, Nachauli, Old Faridabad – Jasana Road,
Faridabad, Haryana, a deemed to be university, may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.11 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science & Research Education, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science & Research Education, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.12 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pune.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pune a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.13 To consider the Report of the Expert Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the functioning of the Sant Longowal Institute of Engineering and Technology, Longowal, District, Sangrur, Punjab (SLIET) as deemed to be university under Section 3 of the UGC, Act, 1956.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Sant
Longowal Institute of Engineering and Technology, Longowal, District, Sangrur, Punjab (SLIET) a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.14 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the functioning of Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samsthana, Banglore a Deemed to be university.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samsthana, Banglore a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.15 To consider the Report of the committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research, Mumbai, Maharashtra.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research, Mumbai, Maharashtra a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.16 To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the Deemed to be University status conferred on Vels Institute of Science, technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS), Pallavaram, Chennai, Tamilnadu.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of Vels
Institute of Science, technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS), Pallavaram, Chennai, Tamilnadu a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.17

To consider the Report of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to review the functioning of National University of Education Planning & Administration (NUEPA), 17-B Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi-110016, a deemed to be university.

In the light of the decision taken at Item No.5.00, the Commission recommended that the Review Committee Report in respect of National University of Education Planning & Administration (NUEPA), 17-B Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi-110016 a deemed to be university may be sent to the Ministry of HRD for further action at their end.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

5.18

To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Dr. C.V. Raman University, Bilaspur (State Private University) 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 report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Dr. C.V. Raman University, Bilaspur (a State Private University) and noted that the University is not providing the minimum UGC scales of pay to its teachers and there are deficiencies including in the required number of faculty, as per the UGC norms. The Commission, therefore, decided that a copy of
the report may be sent to the concerned University for taking immediate remedial and follow-up actions within three months.

Action: JS(CPP-I)

SECTION-6
(MISCELLANEOUS)

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

Action: AS-II/Director(Admn.)

ANY OTHER ITEM:

- As per the decision taken in the last meeting of the Commission, the State Universities Bureau and the Regional Offices except Delhi and Bhopal made presentations before the Commission.
- It was decided to consider transferring of the remaining schemes relating to the Colleges to the Regional Offices and the decision already taken about strengthening the Regional Offices may be pursued with the Government. The Regional Offices may issue block grants mentioning all the schemes and the ceilings and the Colleges may have freedom to use on items of their priority within the allocated Budget and the ceilings.
The presentation made by Dr. Manju Singh, JS(SU) was considered by the Commission and the Commission noted the action of release and allocation of XI Plan grants being taken by the Bureau. The Commission decided that the Regional Review meeting of all State Universities may be held to review the progress of utilization of UGC grants and to apprise the Universities about our decisions taken in the recent past.

The Commission considered the presentations and decided that two Bureaus each may be requested to present in each meeting. In the next meeting of the Commission, Regional Offices Delhi and Bhopal and Central/Deemed/Delhi Colleges/Inter Universities Bureau may present about their activities.

Action: AS-II/JS(RO)/JS(CU/DU/DC)

(R.K. CHAUHAN) (VED PRAKASH)
SECRETARY ACTING CHAIRMAN