

**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI-110 002**

**MINUTES OF THE 523RD MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION HELD ON
7TH JUNE, 2017.**

The 523rd Meeting of the Commission was held on 7th June, 2017 in which the following were present:

1. Prof. V.S. Chauhan	Chairman (Acting)
2. Mr. Kewal Kumar Sharma	Member
3. Mr. Pramod Kumar Das	Member
4. Prof. Inder Mohan Kapahy	Member
5. Prof. (Dr.) Ramesh Chander Kuhad	Member
6. Dr. G. Gopal Reddy	Member
7. Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar	Member
8. Dr. (Ms.) Sushma Yadav	Member

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary

Prof. (Dr.) Jaspal Singh Sandhu

Prof. V.S. Chauhan welcomed the Members to this meeting and apprised them of the fact that the UGC is contemplating to give graded autonomy to Institutions performing well in the country so that they can develop with greater freedom and independence. For this reason the UGC has uploaded the draft Regulations on the UGC website to seek observations from the stakeholders. He further welcomed Dr. (Ms.) Sushma Yadav who is attending her first meeting after her appointment as Member, UGC. He further expressed hope that she would significantly contribute towards the functioning of UGC.

SECTION-1

1.01(a) To confirm the minutes of the 522nd meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 28th March, 2017.

Confirmed.

[Action : JS(Admn.)]

1.01(a) (i) To confirm the minutes of the meeting (by circulation) of the University Grants Commission held on 15th May, 2017.

Confirmed.

[Action : JS(Admn.)]

(ii) To confirm the minutes of the meeting (by circulation) of the University Grants Commission held on 25th May, 2017.

Confirmed.

[Action : JS(Admn.)]

1.01(b) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 522nd meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 28th March, 2017.

Noted.

[Action : JS(Admn.)]

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

- (i) To report the review status of Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University), Sant Tukaram Nagar, Pimpri, Pune-411018, Maharashtra as required in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Noted and approved.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

- (ii) To report the review status of Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management (GITAM), Deemed to be University, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh as required in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Noted and approved.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

- (iii) To ratify the modified qualifying criteria of UGC-NET evolved by the Committee constituted to review the existing qualifying criteria of UGC-NET.

Noted and approved.

[Action : JS(NET)]

- (iv) To report the review status of Sri Ramachandra Medical College and Research Institute, Deemed to be University, Chennai (Tamil Nadu) as required in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Noted and approved.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

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- (v) To report the inclusion of 84 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.03.2017 to 30.04.2017 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

Noted.

[Action : JS(CPP-I/C)]

- (vi) To report the recommendations of the Expert Committee constituted by the Commission in its 497th meeting held on 10.01.2014 with regard to approval of institutions under sections 2(f), 12 (B) and compliance under Section 13 of the UGC Act, 1956.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

1.02 (b) To receive the items of information. **(No item)**

1.03 To receive the position of funds of UGC and Related Issues. **(No item)**

1.04 To consider the Annual Accounts of UGC for the year 2016-17.

Considered and approved.

[Action : FA]

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SECTION-2 (MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

- 2.01 To consider the Report of the UGC Committee based on the comments/submissions of the HNB Garhwal University Local Committee submitted to the UGC on the report of the Rationalization Committee pertaining to the pay and allowances and rationalization of pay scales of the non-teaching staff of the HNBSGU consequent upon its conversion as a Central University.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(CU)]

- 2.02 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Indian Veterinary Research Institute (Deemed to be University), Izatnagar, Bareilly (Uttar Pradesh) to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that the suggestions by the visiting Expert Committee, if any, will be addressed within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.03 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Institute of Symbiosis International University (Deemed to be University), Gram – Lavale, Taluk – Mulshi, Dist. – Pune – 412115, Maharashtra to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that the suggestions by the visiting Expert Committee, if any, will be addressed within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

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2.04 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Institute of Manipal Academy of Higher Education (Deemed to be University), Madhav Nagar, Manipal-576104, Karnataka to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that the suggestions by the visiting Expert Committee, if any, will be addressed within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

2.05 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Institute of Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation (Deemed to be University), Greenfields, Vaddswaram-522502, Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that the suggestions by the visiting Expert Committee, if any, will be addressed within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC. The continuation of Institution Deemed to be University will be for a further period of 5 years.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

2.06 To consider the Report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to assess the proposal submitted by Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Deemed to be University, Mumbai for starting an off-campus centre at Hyderabad.

Approved for onward transmission to MHRD for consideration.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.07** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samsthana (Deemed to be University), Vivekananda Road, Kalluballu Post, Jigani, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that the suggestions by the visiting Expert Committee, if any, will be addressed within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.08** To consider the issue for creation of non-teaching positions in central universities on the basis of the recommendations of the Committee.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(CU)]

- 2.09** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Jamia Hamdard (Deemed to be University), Hamdard Nagar, New Delhi – 110 062 to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that the suggestions by the visiting Expert Committee, if any, will be addressed within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

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- 2.10** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Institute of Indian Institute of Science (Deemed to be University), Bangalore to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that the suggestions by the visiting Expert Committee, if any, will be addressed within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.11** To consider an amendment in UGC Notification on specification of degrees, 2014 for notifying the following degrees:

Agriculture :

- B.Sc. (Hons.) (Agriculture)
- M.Sc. (Hons.) (Agriculture)

Considered and approved B.Sc. (Hons.) (Agriculture).

[Action : JS(CPP-II)]

- 2.12** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies (Deemed to be University), Sarnath, Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh) to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved with the condition that the suggestions by the visiting Expert Committee, if any, will be addressed within a period of 6 months and the compliance report would be submitted along with documentary proof to UGC.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

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- 2.13** To consider a Panel of Experts to review of the Institutions Deemed to be Universities placed in category 'C' by Ministry of HRD Review Committee (Tandon Committee).

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.14** To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Autonomous Colleges for grant of fresh/extension of autonomous status to colleges.

Considered and approved. For NAAC 'B' grade Colleges it was decided to accord conditional approval.

[Action : JS(AC)]

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

- 3.01** To consider the change suggested by the Ministry of HRD in Regulation 7.1 (Appointment) of the UGC (Institutions of Eminence Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2017 – Reference Ministry of HRD Mail dated 06.06.2017.

Considered and approved subject to the approval of the Government of India.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

SECTION-4 (SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)

- 4.01** To consider granting further accreditation to Himachal Pradesh Public Service Commission, Shimla for conducting SET on behalf of the state of Himachal Pradesh.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(NET)]

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4.02 To consider amendments in the UGC (Promotion and Maintenance of Standards of Academic Collaboration between Indian and Foreign Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2016.

Deferred.

[Action : JS(CPP-II)]

4.03 To consider modification/amendment in UGC Regulations on minimum qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic staff in Universities and Colleges and measures for the maintenance of standards of higher education, 2010 and its amendments issued from time to time.

Deferred.

[Action : JS(PS)]

4.04 To consider UGC (Categorisation of Universities for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2017.

Deferred.

[Action : JS(CPP-II)]

4.05 To consider amendments in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Deferred.

[Action : JS(CPP-I)]

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- 4.06** To consider and approve the UGC [minimum standards and procedure for award of M.Phil/Ph.d. degree] (1st amendment) regulations, 2017.

Deferred.

[Action : JS(PS)]

- 4.07** To consider and approve the Guidelines for grant of graded autonomy to Central and State Public Universities.

Deferred.

[Action : JS(DU)]

- 4.08** To consider and ratify the re-constitution of High Powered Distance Education Committee (HPDEC) and to approve the terms of reference, tenure of HPDEC members and quorum for the meeting.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(DEB)]

SECTION-5

(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

- 5.01** To consider the issue of granting extension beyond 31st March, 2017 for utilization of various components of UGC XII Plan General Development Assistance and other plan grants including Merged Schemes which is a part of General Development Assistance to Central Universities, State Universities, Deemed to be Universities and Colleges.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(CU)]

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5.02 To consider to Permit Utilization of Allocated Grant-in-Aid under DDU KAUSHAL Kendra Scheme beyond XIIth Plan Period upto 31st March, 2019.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(NSQF)]

**SECTION-6
(MISCELLANEOUS)**

(There is no item in this section)

**(JASPAL SINGH SANDHU)
SECRETARY**

**(V.S. CHAUHAN)
CHAIRMAN (Acting)**