
The 510th Meeting of the Commission was held on 7th October, 2015 in which the following were present:

1. Prof. Ved Prakash Chairman
2. Prof. H. Devaraj Vice Chairman
3. Sh. Vinay Sheel Oberoi Member
4. Sh. A. N. Jha Member
5. Prof. V.S. Chauhan Member
6. Prof. Mohammad Miyan Member
7. Dr. K.N. Shanti Member
8. Prof. Inder Mohan Kapahy Member

Mr. Patanjali (Patu) G. Keswani and Prof. Sanjay Govind Dhande could not attend the meeting due to their pre-occupation and were granted leave of absence.

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary
Prof. (Dr.) Jaspal Singh Sandhu

At the outset, the Chairman, UGC welcomed the Members and updated them of the following developments that took place between the 508th and 510th meetings of the Commission:

- The Chairman informed that in September, 2015, the MHRD constituted a 4-Member Core Committee comprising of Chairman, UGC; Chairman, AICTE; Director, NAAC; and JS (CU&L), MHRD to look into the parameters for the assessment and evaluation of Deemed to be Universities. The Core Committee after due deliberations prepared the same and submitted it to the MHRD.
He also informed that the MHRD requested the UGC to organize a consultative meeting to deliberate on five themes pertaining to the formulation of New Policy on Education given as under:

a) Improving Quality of Regulations;
b) Integrating Skill Development in Higher Education;
c) Gender Issues;
d) Private Funded Vs. Public Funded Institutions; and
e) Issues concerning Persons with Disabilities.

Accordingly, the Consultative Meeting of the stakeholders which included Vice-Chancellors, Representatives from Industry, Sector Skill Councils and other concerned was organized on 11th August 2015 at Vigyan Bhavan. A Report was prepared based on the deliberations and decisions taken therein and conveyed to the MHRD on 16th September, 2015.

He also apprised the Members that on the request of the Ministry of HRD the UGC took an initiative to bring out an anthology of the thoughts on education of the following eminent personalities:

1. Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak
2. Sir Jagdish Chandra Bose
3. Sir C. Rajagopalachari
4. Dr. Rajendra Prasad
5. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan
6. Dr. Kanhaiyalal M. Munshi
7. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad
8. Sir Ashutosh Mukherjee
9. Dr. Zakir Hussain
10. Sister Nivedita.

He informed that he would update the Members of the further developments of this initiative in the next meeting of the Commission.

Then the Commission took up the following items for discussion.

**SECTION-1**

**1.01(a) (i)** To confirm the minutes of the 508th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 27th July, 2015.

Minutes were confirmed except for Item No.2.08.

[Action : Director (Admn.)]
1.01(a) (ii) To confirm the minutes of the 509th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 15th September, 2015.

Minutes were confirmed except for Item No.(ii).

[Action: Director (Admn.)]

1.01(b) (i) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 508th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 27th July, 2015.

Noted.

[Action: Director (Admn.)]

1.01(b) (ii) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 509th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 15th September, 2015.

Noted.

[Action: Director (Admn.)]

1.02(a) To ratify the action taken on certain matter
(i) To report the inclusion of 107 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.07.2015 to 31.08.2015 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

Ratified.

[Action: JS(CPP-I/C)]
(ii) To ratify the recommendations of the Standing Committee on “Centres with Potential for Excellence in Particular Areas” (CPEPA).

Ratified.

[Action : JS(NS/PE)]

(iii) 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.

Ratified.

[Action : DS(CPP-I)]

(iv) To ratify the MoU between the University Grants commission (UGC), India and German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Germany on Indo-German Partnerships in Higher Education (IGP).

Ratified.

[Action : JS(IC)]

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)


Approved. Prof. H. Devaraj, Vice-Chairman will ensure the incorporation of the modifications suggested by the Honorable Members.

[Action : Additional Secretary-I]
2.01 To Consider to continue the scheme of Faculty Development Programme in Colleges only to the teachers of Government and Government-aided colleges (12 B status)

Considered and Approved.  
[Action : Director (Admn.)]

2.02 To consider the issue of determining a uniform span period within which a student may be allowed to qualify for a degree.

Considered and Approved.  
[Action : JS(CPP-II)]

2.03 To consider and approve the Cadre Recruitment Rules of 6 categories of post(s) in NAAC.

Considered and Approved.  
[Action : JS(IUC)]

2.04 To consider and approve the revised UGC (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2015.

Deferred.  
[Action : Additional Secretary-II]

2.05 To consider the proposal of the Trauma Centre, Institute of Medical Sciences, Banaras Hindu University for creation of additional positions.

Considered and Approved.  
[Action : JS(CU)]
2.06 To consider the approval of teaching positions in central universities.

Considered and Approved.  

[Action: JS(CU)]

2.07 To consider the Amendment in Leave prescribed For Teachers and Non-Vacation members of Teaching Staff as prescribed 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 in Higher Education, 2010.

Deferred.

[Action: JS(PS)]

2.08 To enhance the payment of Honorarium to the commission member.

Considered and Approved.

[Action: JS(Finance)]

2.09 To consider the proposal of GS1 India for authentication and unique/universal identification of UGC-NET certificates

Deferred.

[Action: Additional Secretary (II)]

2.10 To consider the recognition for ODL programmes to Welingkar Institute of Management Development and Research, Mumbai for 2015-16.

Considered and Approved.

[Action: Additional Secretary-II]
SECTION-3
(REFERENCE FROM GOVERNMENT AND OTHER NATIONAL BODIES)

3.01 To consider the report of the Enquiry Committee constituted to look into the allegations of gross violation of UGC norms by Dr. Deepak Tilak, Vice-Chancellor of Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth (Deemed University), Pune, Maharashtra.

Considered and Approved. Report to be forwarded to the MHRD. The UGC will carry out the audit of the Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth.

[Action : DS(CPP-I)]

3.02 To consider the request received from Government of India, MHRD for amendment in Clause 16.0 (Institution Deemed to be University to be Unitary) of the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010.

Deferred.

[Action : DS(CPP-I)]

SECTION-4
(SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)

4.01 To consider the Report of the Expert Committee constituted to frame the guidelines and consider enhancement of Non-NET fellowship.

Considered and resolved to discontinue the scheme. However, the students who are already getting non-NET fellowship will continue to do so as per the existing guidelines.

[Action : JS(CU)]

4.02 To consider specification of new degrees in Physical Education viz BPES and MPES degrees.

Considered and Approved.

[Action : JS(CPP-II)]
4.03 To consider the issue of implementation of Massive Online Open Course in Credit Frame Work of Indian Higher Education System.

Deferred.  

[Action: JS(CPP-II)]

SECTION-5  
(GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

5.01 To consider the Legal Opinion received in respect of the issue related to admission of students under NRI Quota in excess of 15% by Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), (Deemed to be University) during the year 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 in its two constituent units – Kasturba Medical College, Manipal and Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore.

Considered and resolved that the MCI may be asked to ensure that admissions are made as per the orders passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in the case P.A. Inamdar & Ors vs. State of Maharashtra & Ors in case no. Appeal (Civil) 5041 of 2005.

[Action: DS(CPP-I)]

5.02 To consider the proposal of revised ceiling of Annual Financial Assistance to Rs 80.00 Lakh for each Human Resource Development Centre (formerly Academic Staff College) from financial year 2015-2016.

Considered and Approved.  

[Action: JS(HRDC)]

5.03 To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Autonomous Colleges for grant of fresh/extension of autonomous status to colleges, and other matters related to autonomous colleges.

Considered and Approved.  

[Action: JS(AC)]
SECTION–6

(MISCELLANEOUS)

6.01 To consider certain establishment matter of University Grants Commission

Recorded separately.

(JASPAL SINGH SANDHU)
SECRETARY

(VED PRAKASH)
CHAIRMAN