MINUTES OF THE 516th MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
HELD ON 15th June, 2016.

The 516th Meeting of the Commission was held on 15th June, 2016 in which the
following were present:

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

Shri A.N. Jha, could not attend the meeting. Prof. Sanjay Govind Dhande & Mr.
Patanjali (Patu) G. Keswani sought leave of absence which was granted.

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary
Prof. (Dr.) Jaspal Singh Sandhu

Prof. Ved Prakash, Chairman, UGC welcomed the Members and informed them that the
UGC has notified the Pay Review Committee to be chaired by Prof. V.S. Chauhan,
Member, University Grants Commission. The UGC also set up a Special Cell to assist
the Pay Review Committee. Prof. Ved Prakash further informed that the Pay Review
Committee will be serviced by the UGC by hiring Secretarial Staff through man power
agency.

Deliberating on the financial position of the Commission, the Members of the UGC
expressed deep sense of concern of the fact that the UGC is unable to meet its
commitments, both in the Plan and Non-Plan components of budget within the current
allocation to UGC. All the Members unanimously requested the Secretary, MHRD to
take up the issue with the Ministry of Finance so that the allocation of UGC could be enhanced. Secretary, MHRD while concurring with the views of the Members of the Commission, assured that the issue of finances will be discussed with the concerned Ministry.

Prof. Ved Prakash also informed that the UGC has sanctioned “The Malviya Commonwealth Chair for Cross Border Teacher Education” in Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.

SECTION-1

1.01(a) To confirm the minutes of the 515th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 20th May, 2016.

Confirmed.

[Action: J S (Admn.)]

1.01(b) To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 515th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 20th May, 2016.

Noted.

[Action: J S (Admn.)]

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

(i) To ratify the decision taken by the committee constituted to evaluate the CRR of NAAC.

Considered and Ratified.

[Action: J S (IUC)]
(ii) To report the inclusion of 92 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.04.2016 to 31.05.2016 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

Noted.

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

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 2015-16.

Considered and approved.

The Members of the Commission appreciated the hard work put in by the UGC in finalizing the accounts well before the stipulated time line.

[Action : J S(Finance)]

SECTION-2
(MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved.

[Action : DS(CPP-I)]
2.02 To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Autonomous Colleges for grant of fresh/extension of autonomous status to colleges.

Considered and approved.

[Action: J S(Autonomous Colleges)]

2.03 To consider the proposed modifications/amendments in the API Tables and other related matters pertaining to 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 (Principal Regulations) and its amendments issued from time to time.

Considered and approved. While welcoming the changes made through this amendment, Prof. Inder Mohan Kapahy, expressed his concern about the continuation of the API. He however, requested that this issue ought to be examined in detail by the 7th Pay Review Committee.

[Action: J S(PS)]

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

(There is no item in this section)
4.01 To consider the issue of continuation of Fellowship upto the total tenure of Rajiv Gandhi National fellowship (RGNF), National Fellowship for Higher Education of ST Students (NFST) and Maulana Azad National Fellowship (MANF) and payment of fellowship during gap period between M.Phil. and registration in Ph.D.

Deferred for reconsideration.

[Action: DS(SA)]

5.01 To consider allocation of an additional amount of Rs.54,00,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Four Crore only) to the Central University of South Bihar during XII Plan period.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(CU)]

6.01 To consider certain establishment matter of University Grants Commission

Recorded Separately.