

CONFIDENTIAL

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

**MINUTES OF THE 512th MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
HELD ON 4th FEBRUARY, 2016.**

The 512th Meeting of the Commission was held on 4th February, 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. 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
9. Mr. Patanjali (Patu) G. Keswani	Member
10. Prof. Sanjay Govind Dhande	Member

The following officer of the UGC also attended the meeting.

Secretary

Prof. (Dr.) Jaspal Singh Sandhu

The Chairman welcomed all the members of the Commission and highlighted the various activities undertaken by the Commission since the last Commission meeting. He apprised the Commission Members regarding the progress in the process of construction of new UGC building.

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SECTION-1

- 1.01(a)** To confirm the minutes of the 511th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **21st December, 2015.**

Confirmed with a little modification in item 2.02.

[Action : Director (Admn.)]

- 1.01(b)** To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 511th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on **21st December, 2015.**

Noted.

[Action : Director (Admn.)]

- 1.02(a)** To ratify the action taken on certain matter
(i) To report the inclusion of 116 Colleges (as approved by the Chairman, UGC) under Section 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 between 01.11.2015 to 31.12.2015 as per authorization given by the Commission at its meeting held on 24.08.2011.

Ratified.

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

- 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**)

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SECTION-2 (MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

2.01 To consider the proposal for establishment of Professional Chairs in Indian Classical Languages like Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Malayalam and Odia.

The Chairs may be set up in the Indian classical languages of Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Malayalam and Odia.

Action : JS(CU)]

2.02 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)]

2.03 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited National Institute of Science Education and Research (NISER), Bhubaneswar, Odisha to consider granting off-campus status under the ambit of Homi Bhabha National Institute (HBNI) (Deemed to be University), Mumbai.

Approved, subject to the condition that concurrence of the Ministry of HRD is received for the University Grants Commission recommendations of allowing amendment in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010 as amended in the year 2014 & 2015 to the effect that the restrictions of six off-campus

would not be applicable to the Institutions Deemed to be Universities which are established and managed by the Government.

[Action : DS(CPP-I)]

2.04 To consider the issue related to the off-campus established/started by some Institutions Deemed to be Universities without prior approval of UGC/Ministry of HRD.

Considered and resolved to constitute a Committee with the following members to look into all aspects of the issue of off-campus of Institutions Deemed to be Universities:

- (i) Prof. H. Devaraj ... Chairman
- (ii) Prof. Mohammad Miyan ... Member
- (iii) Prof. Sanjay Govind Dhande ... Member
- (iv) Dr. K.N. Shanti ... Member
- (v) Bureau Head of Deemed Universities ... Member Convener

[Action : DS(CPP-I)]

2.05 To consider the Amendment/clarification in various clauses 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.

On issue No. 1, the clarification be issued by the University Grants Commission that the period of active service spent on pursuing Research Degree i.e. for acquiring Ph.D. degree simultaneously without taking any kind of leave may be counted as teaching

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experience for the purpose of direct recruitment/promotion to the post of Associate Professor and above.

Issue No. 2 and 3 stand deferred.

[Action : JS(PS)]

2.06 To consider and ratify the minutes of Distance Education Committee Meetings.

All the items stand approved and for the 3 courses of Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) i.e. B.Sc. (Fashion Design), B.Sc. (Business Entrepreneurships) and M.Sc. (Business Entrepreneurship), the following Committee is constituted to examine the study Learning Materials of the above mentioned courses.

- (i) Prof. V.S. Chauhan
- (ii) Prof. Mohammad Miyan
- (iii) Prof. I.M. Kapahy

The Commission further authorized the Committee to accord its approval for the aforementioned courses, if found fit. The Commission also authorized that the decision of the Committee be conveyed to the University and the same may be reported in the subsequent meeting of the Commission.

[Action : AS-II]

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

(There is no item in this section)

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SECTION-4 (SPECIAL PROGRAMMES, QUALITY PROGRAMMES ETC)

- 4.01** To consider the recommendations of the Standing Committee for the final approval of CPEPA centres under the scheme “**Centres with Potential for Excellence in Particular Areas**” (CPEPA) and also to approve the reports of the Mid- Term Evaluation Committees.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(NS/PE)]

- 4.02** To consider the revised Guidelines of Ishan Uday Special Scholarship Scheme for North Eastern Region.

Considered and approved.

[Action : DS(SA)]

- 4.03** To consider the draft amendment of “UGC Regulations on curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Educational Institutions, 3rd Amendment, 2015.

Considered and approved.

[Action : (AS-I)]

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SECTION-5 (GRANTS TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES)

- 5.01** To consider the request of the Pondicherry University to provide additional grant of Rs. 27.69 crore for construction of Boys & Girls Hostels and furniture for 06 newly constructed buildings.

Considered and approved.

[Action : JS(CU)]

SECTION-6 (MISCELLANEOUS)

- 6.01** To consider certain establishment matter of University Grants Commission.

Recorded separately.

**(JASPAL SINGH SANDHU)
SECRETARY**

**(VED PRAKASH)
CHAIRMAN**