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

**MINUTES OF THE 527TH MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
HELD ON 22ND DECEMBER, 2017.**

The 527th Meeting of the Commission was held on 22nd December, 2017 in which the following were present:

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

Mr. Pramod Kumar Das and Prof. M. Jagadesh Kumar 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

Mr. P.K. Thakur (officiating)

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AGENDA

SECTION-1

- 1.01(a)** To confirm the minutes of the 526th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 29th September, 2017.

The Minutes were confirmed.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

- 1.01(b)** To receive the action taken on the minutes of the 526th meeting of the University Grants Commission held on 29th September, 2017.

Noted.

[Action: JS(Admn.)]

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

- (i) 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.

Noted.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- (ii) To report the action taken on the recommendations of the Committee constituted by the Chairman, UGC to examine the issues relating to reservation raised by High Court of Allahabad in its order dated 7-4-2017.

Noted.

[Action: JS(CU)]

- (iii) To ratify the decision to implement the Post Graduate scholarship to GATE/GPAT qualified students in all Universities (Central/State/Deemed /Private) with effect from January 2016 to June 2017.

Considered and Approved.

[Action: JS(SA)]

- (iv) To ratify the action taken by the Chairman, UGC regarding the approval of the University Grants Commission's Annual Report for the year 2016-17.

Considered and Approved.

[Action: AS-I]

- (v) To report the concurrence received from M/HRD and the status on revision of guidelines on Rationalization of Distribution of Plan Grant under various UGC Schemes.

Noted. Further, the Commission authorized the Chairman, UGC for consideration and approval of revised guidelines of schemes of UGC consequent to Rationalization of UGC Schemes already approved by the Commission in its 526th Meeting held on 29th September, 2017 and concurred by the Ministry of Human Resource Development vide its letter F.No. 12-19/2017-U1 dated 12th October, 2017.

[Action: JS(CPP-II)]

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SECTION-2 (MATTERS RELATING TO STANDARDS)

- 2.01** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited BLDE (Deemed to be University), Smt. Bangaramma Sajjan Campus, Dr. B.M. Patil Road (Solapur Road), Vijayapur – 586103, Karnataka during 22-24th September, 2017 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.02** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee constituted to assess the proposal submitted by Dr. D.Y. Patil Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University), Pune (Maharashtra) for inclusion of (i) Dr. D.Y.Patil College of Ayurved and Research Centre, Pune and (ii) Dr. D.Y. Patil Homoeopathic Medical College & Research Centre, Pune under its ambit.

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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.03 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science (Deemed to be University), Padur, Rajiv Gandhi Salai, OMR, Kelambakkam, Chennai (Tamil Nadu) 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.04 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Birla Institute of Technology (Deemed to be University), Mesra, Ranchi – 835215 (Jharkhand) to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved. A copy of the report of the Expert Committee may be sent to MHRD. It was noted that the Birla Institute of Technology (Deemed to be University), Mesra, Ranchi has started off-campus/extension centres at Lalpur, Noida, Jaipur, Patna and Deoghar without the approval of the Ministry of HRD, as required in the UGC guidelines (now Regulations). Therefore, the Commission further resolved that a strong advisory be sent to the Deemed University about these off-campus/extension centres and also the matter be referred to the Committee of Commission Members constituted to look into the issues related to off-campus centres.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

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- 2.05** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Birla Institute of Technology and Sciences (BITS), Deemed to be University, Pilani, Rajasthan to review its functioning as required under the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

Considered and approved. A copy of the report of the Expert Committee may be sent to MHRD. It was noted that the Birla Institute of Technology (Deemed to be University), Pilani, Rajasthan has started off-campus centres at Goa and Hyderabad without the approval of the Ministry of HRD, as required in the UGC guidelines (now Regulations). Therefore, the Commission further resolved that a strong advisory be sent to the Deemed University about these off-campus centres and also the matter be referred to the Committee of Commission Members constituted to look into the issues related to off-campus centres.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.06** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited International Institute of Population Sciences (IIPS), (Deemed to be University), Mumbai, 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS (CPP-I)]

- 2.07 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Bhatkhande Music Institute (Deemed to be University), Kaisarbagh, Lucknow (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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.08 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Dayalbagh Educational Institute (Deemed to be University), Dayalbagh, Agra – 282005 (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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.09 To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Indian Law Institute (Deemed to be University), Bhagwan Das Road, New Delhi during 08-10th October, 2017 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 alongwith 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 Graphic Era (Deemed to be University), Bell Road, Clement Town, Dehradun (Uttarakhand) during 11-13th October, 2017 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.11** The UGC Expert Committee which visited MGM Institute of Health Sciences (Deemed to be University), Sector-01, Kamothe, Navi Mumbai, 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.12** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (Deemed to be University), Vadlamudi, Guntur Dist. – 522213, Andhra Pradesh during 09-11th October, 2017 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.13** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Chennai Mathematical Institute (Deemed to be University), H 1 SIPCOT IT Park, Siruseri, Kelambakkam, Chennai (Tamil Nadu) 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.14** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Manav Rachna International (Deemed to be University), Sector-43, Delhi Surajkund Road, Faridabad (Haryana) during 29-31st October, 2017 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.15** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited Vel's Institute of Science, Technology & Advanced Studies (VISTAS) (Deemed to be University), Pallavaram, Chennai (Tamil Nadu) during 02-04th November, 2017 to

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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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.16** To consider the report of the UGC Expert Committee which visited National Museum Institute of History of Art, Conservation and Museology (Deemed to be University), Janpath, New Delhi during 23-25th October, 2017 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 alongwith documentary proof to UGC.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.17** To report the decision taken by the Ministry of HRD vide its letter No. F. 2-18/2014-U3(A) dated 21.06.2017 to permit Vellore Institute of Technology (Deemed to be University) to admit students in B.Tech (ECE) at its Chennai Campus.

Noted.

[Action: JS(CPP-I)]

- 2.18 To consider the report of Expert Committee/working group to review the functioning of HRDCs and allow the amendments in the provision of existing guidelines of Human Resource Development Centre.

Considered and approved with following observations:

- (i) Dearness Allowance – No
- (ii) Travelling Allowance – to continue.

Further, it was resolved to authorize the Chairman, UGC to constitute a separate Committee for reformulating/restructuring Human Resource Development Centres (HRDCs) to make them more effective and meaningful in the present scenario. The Committee so constituted will also have representatives from NIEPA and MHRD and will take inputs from Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNMTT). UGC to ensure proper monitoring of these Centres.

[Action: JS(HRDC)]

- 2.19 To consider the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee on specification of degrees held on 30.10.2017.

Considered and approved.

[Action: JS(CPP-II)]

- 2.20 To consider the approval of courses and manpower for establishment/strengthening of School of Education/Faculty of Education in Central Universities/Deemed to be Universities.

Deferred.

[Action: JS(CU)]