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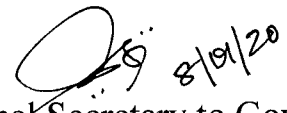
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Sub: Proceedings of the meeting of Vice Chancellors' Conclave.

Madam /Sir,

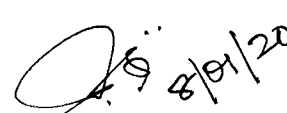
With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to enclose herewith the copy of the proceedings of the meeting held on 10-12-2019 at 02:00PM under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education in the Conference Hall of IMAGE, Bhubaneswar.

Yours faithfully,


Additional Secretary to Govt.

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Annexure-I

Members Present in the 4th Vice Chancellors' Conclave held on 10.12.2019 at 2 p.m. in the Conference Hall of IMAGE, Bhubaneswar	
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE VICE CHANCELLORS' CONCLAVE HELD UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF DR. ARUN KUMAR SAHOO, HON'BLE MINISTER, HIGHER EDUCATION AND CHAIR PERSON OF THE OSHEC ON 10.12.2019 AT 2.00 PM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF IMAGE, BHUBANESWAR

The Vice Chancellors' Conclave was held under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education Department in the conference hall of IMAGE, Siripur, Bhubaneswar. The conclave was attended by the Vice Chancellors along with their Registrars, COEs and COFs. Additional Secretaries of HED attended the meeting. President, Vice President and Secretary of SSB also joined the meeting towards the end. The list of the members who attended the conclave is annexed (Annexure-I).

At the outset, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, HED welcomed the members present in the conclave.

Common PG Admission Entrance Test

The issue was discussed in great detail. As decided earlier, the common entrance examination will aim at generating a state wide merit list which will have career contribution (30%) and entrance score (70%). The three universities that will conduct the entrance are Utkal University in humanities and social sciences, Sambalpur University in Science and Berhampur University in Commerce and Business Studies. Universities which are offering unique courses are requested to conduct the entrance in those courses. SAMS will manage the online logistics in consultation with the universities. The entrance examination will be conducted at all university centres. Colleges giving PG courses will also take students from this merit list. Since timely publication of result is a must for this, all the Vice Chancellors and COEs assured that all the universities would publish the Final semester results strictly in time. Some Vice Chancellors expressed their concern regarding loss of revenue that will arise due to common admission test. The commissioner cum secretary assured



that Government financial grant increase can be made to take care of the revenue fall if needed.

Timely Publication of Results

Hon'ble Minister directed that examination results must be declared within 30-45 days after the last date of examination. He emphasized that not only the final semester results should be published in time; but also all semester results should be published in time. He further advised the VCs to publish the date of examination and result publication in their respective websites in advance which should not be altered subsequently.

Speaking on examination reforms, the Commissioner-cum-Secretary reiterated the decision taken in the previous VCs' conclave dated 28/08/19, such as all universities must go for coding of answer scripts, preparation of scheme of evaluation of answers, increasing the number of valuation centres, installation of CCTVs in examination centres, etc. VC OSHEC, Prof. Asoka Das requested the VCs to think of installing an examination management system.

Progress on Question Bank

Though this was conceived as an integral to the examination reforms, there has not been any progress. In the last VC conclave, subjects had been assigned to each university to prepare question banks. Ravenshaw University was requested to generate question bank for Hindi. The contributors will have to provide questions in all four types and units for a paper. Commissioner-cum-Secretary emphasized the importance of this work and asked all to contribute. To a suggestion that there should be additional payment for preparing the bank, it was decided that the respective faculty would contribute to the question bank as part of his duty. Some of the autonomous colleges like BJB College and SCS College Puri are doing this voluntarily.



Digitalmedia/ National Academic Depository (NAD)

It was decided that all universities must become NAD-compliant by 31st March 2020. Regarding certificate authentication (which are sent to universities from the HED), the Commissioner-cum-Secretary requested all VCs to process it within 11-13 working days and no fees should be charged for such certificate authentication.

All universities and colleges are urged to keep their websites dynamic by regular updating.

Recruitment: Teaching and Non-teaching

The Commissioner-cum-Secretary informed the VCs regarding the status of court cases. Since there was no 'Stay' by Hon'ble High Court, he advised all VCs to conduct/resume teachers' recruitment immediately.

President, Vice-President and Secretary of SSB attended this meeting as special invitees to deliberate on the issue of non-teaching staff recruitment for the universities. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary advised all who wish SSB to conduct selection test for recruitment of non-teaching staff, to give their requisition to SSB by 31.12, 2019, so that SSB would initiate appropriate steps for selecting the candidates. The SSB has successfully done such selection for BU earlier. Before sending the requisition, respective universities must obtain consent of Hon'ble Chancellor to that effect.

RUSA Fund Utilisation

Deliberating on this agenda item, Ms Rajashree Mohanty, Additional Secretary, HED gave a detailed account of disbursement of RUSA 1.0 and 2.0 and the UC position of all the universities. Hon'ble Minister enquired about the date of allotment and receipt of funds and their utilization from all the universities. It appeared from the discussion that the UC position is not satisfactory; hence all the VCs were asked for timely submission of UCs.



Facilitating NAAC, NIRF and Global Ranking Framework

VC, OSHEC informed the members that all the World Bank assisted colleges have to go for NAAC accreditation. All non-accredited colleges will be assisted by mentors. On 10th and 11th Jan 2020, there will be a training programme for the mentors designated by various universities. This will be a detailed session focussing on all the quantitative evaluation parameters. The Commissioner-cum-Secretary advised all affiliating university VCs to devote adequate time for affiliated colleges on important matters such as NAAC accreditation, examination reform, standard/quality of education, etc.

Concluding Remarks by the Hon'ble Minister

In his concluding remarks, Hon'ble Minister discussed the status of state universities as compared to the private universities. He also emphasized the government's commitment to improve the higher education system. He implored the vice chancellors to reflect on the various service deficiencies that plague the university system, following anon-negotiable academic calendar, timely conduct for examinations and result publications, fixing accountability, improving meaningful research, establishing career counselling centres, ensuring attendance of both teaching and non-teaching staff, etc. are some of the issues that need to be looked into. He lamented that nobody is found in the classrooms after 3 pm, Libraries remain vacant, etc. He urged the Vice Chancellors to visit lead by example by visiting 2-3 colleges every month. He raised another serious issue of ex-students staying in the university hostels and advised the VCs to take appropriate steps in this regard. He also emphasized on the sincere practice of proctorial system, holding parent/teacher meeting etc. As head of the University academic and administrative team, he urged the Vice Chancellors, Registrars, COEs, COFs to work as a team adopting 5T principle of State Government. He assured that Government will support the university administration in all possible ways to improve the university performance in



particular and higher education sector in general. He said that introduction of Biometric attendance and 7 hours mandatory stay guidelines for the teachers have already brought in a lot of change in higher education sector. At the end, he appealed to all on behalf of the citizens of Odisha and Hon'ble Chief Minister to transform the Higher Education sector of the State.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to Hon'ble Minister and all participants by the Commissioner-cum-Secretary.



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