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From

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Additional Secretary to Govt.

To

The Members (List enclosed)

Sub: Proceedings of the meeting of the Odisha State Higher Education Council (OSHEC).

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 10:00AM 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**

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ODISHA STATE HIGHER EDUCATION COUNCIL(OSHEC) 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 10.00AM IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF IMAGE, BHUBANESWAR**

1. The second meeting of the Odisha State Higher Education Council was conducted under the chairmanship of the Hon'ble Minister, HED in the conference hall of IMAGE, Siripur, Bhubaneswar. The list of the members present is annexed (Annexure-I).
2. At the outset, VC, OSHEC welcomed the members present in the meeting. The meeting began with the self-introduction of the participants.
3. Apart from the nominated council members, Vice Chancellors of all other State Universities were invited to this meeting as special invitees.
4. VC, OSHEC briefly mentioned about the 1<sup>st</sup> Council meeting held on 20.03.2019 and presented the action taken report (Annexure- II).
5. VC, OSHEC mentioned about the summary of discussion of Draft National Education Policy (Higher Education) held under the auspices of OSHEC on 10.07.2019 at IMAGE, BBSR. (summary of discussions enclosed)
6. The Action Taken Report (ATR) was explained by VC, OSHEC wherein the reason for low response to state research fellowship was attributed to lack of Ph. D. guiding slots in universities and poor NET performance. VCs of State Universities were urged to consider keeping some fraction of Ph. D. seats for NET cleared state research fellows as well as finding a solution about the severe shortage of guides.
7. Some members suggested for conducting SLET in Odisha for providing better research /job opportunities in the state as well as awarding fellowships on the basis of University entrance tests. It was also suggested to increase the quantum of fellowship as well as limit of seed



grant. Based on suggestions received and discussions, it was decided to reconsider the age limit set for OURIIP seed funding and research fellowships.

8. Hon'ble Minister lamented on the very less number of researchers vis-a-vis population in India. He pointed out that for every 10 lakh population, the number of research scholars in India is 272 whereas it is 1200 in China, 4000 in USA and France. He implored the Universities to use OURIIP to the maximum extent and motivate more and more faculty to do meaningful research.
9. Commissioner cum Secretary, HED indicated that to increase the usefulness of the OURIIP output in terms of addressing societal concerns, the Department may write and sensitize all government departments to suggest their research needs which, in turn, can be the focus area of next year's research.

The ATR was approved.

#### **Agenda Item no.5: Activities to be taken up during next year**

The following activities were discussed to be taken up by next year.

- a. Common PG admission: It was decided that the common PG admission will be taken up to be implemented during 2020-21 academic session. As planned earlier, SAMS will be taking up the logistics support for online application for common entrance. The universities (Utkal University: Humanities, Berhampur University : Commerce and Business Administration and Sambalpur University : Science)) will indicate the timeline, model question and its pattern to OSHEC and all universities. PTC, HED and OSHEC will work together on this project of creating a state merit list for PG admissions.



- b. Incorporating the course and learning outcomes in the model UG Syllabus: the model UG syllabus published during the year needs to be supplemented with clearly specified learning and course outcomes as these will define the teaching process, lesson plans and questions in the examinations. These three activities are interconnected and OSHEC will incorporate this with the help of the Board of Studies of individual subject as before. As suggested by members, the UGC model Learning Outcome (LO) can be referred to. The work on question bank preparation would also be taken up but the details are to be discussed during the VC conclave in Session II.
- c. Incorporation of digitization into every aspect of governance is needed for HEIs to run smoothly and efficiently. In Odisha, the implementation of a common student life cycle management system, learning management system, examination management system and MIS are absolutely necessary. OSHEC would work towards facilitating this on one single platform for all State HEIs. Such a framework once installed can be used to introduce any new innovation later. This would be submitted to HED as a proposal to be implemented on O & M basis.
- d. NAAC accreditation of colleges needs to be facilitated on an urgent basis, particularly in view of the falling performances after quantitative evaluation was introduced. It is proposed to jointly work with OHEPEE project to implement Training of Trainers who will later guide the colleges as mentors. The program envisages developing a group of trainers who will work with the colleges as mentors up to their NAAC accreditation,
- e. The members were informed that the council website hosting is in progress and the demo was projected in the meeting. NIC, Bhubaneswar is developing the website and gradually the required information and data are being fed.



- f. As scheduled in the OURIIP Scheme, it is proposed to hold annual review of work under the aegis of Odisha Research Conclave that will include the OURIIP schemes and the Centre of Excellences (COEs) of OHEPEE. It was also proposed to raise the eligibility age of the faculty from 40 to 45 years for seed fund research project and State research fellows from 30 to 35 years due to the specific circumstances in the state.
- g. On a reference to creating specialized multidisciplinary research laboratories in the state by VC, GMU, it was suggested that the COEs have been established with exactly this objective in mind. VCs of all state universities were requested to kindly facilitate and monitor the sustainability plan of each COE.
- h. Commissioner-cum-Secretary requested all the VCs to consolidate what is happening in the university. He preferred consolidation of on-going good practices rather than initiating new things.
- a. A number of issues including Industry-Academia linkage (VC, RDWU and Dr.(Er.) Dibakar Swain), appointment of faculty in colleges and urgent governance changes (Prof. KK Basa), Reforms not reaching the grass root level (Dr. Roshnara Begum ), SU taking up significant research areas to help the society (VC, SU) and strengthening the libraries and Laboratories of State Universities and Colleges (VC, OSHEC) were raised. Hon'ble Minister as well as Commissioner cum Secretary addressed most of these issues at the core level and detailed the actions being taken by the Department. It was said that the existing e-resources would continue and Universities those are not in the list will be added.
- j. Commissioner-cum-Secretary discussed the concept of adapting MOOCs and virtual tutorial (RUSA1.0) to undergraduate curriculum as this is the way for the future. He suggested that we should develop good quality e-content by engaging good faculty.



He suggested that the e-content being developed under RUSA must be reviewed before taking a decision.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Member Secretary.

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**ACTION TAKEN REPORT**

<b>ACTIVITY REPORT (CONTINUING REFORMS)</b>			
	<b>Decision</b>	<b>Action Taken</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
	CBCS Model Syllabus in 27 subjects, Model Regulation and 2 skill subjects	Completed Revision and Released	
	Organising a discussion meeting with NAAC on September 5-6, 2019 at KIIT and Mayfair leading towards a NAAC-Odisha Report through	The Meeting sensitized the delegates from universities on the quantitative assessment framework and also finalized the chapter contents of NAAC Odisha report. The Report is now taking final shape and will be released shortly	
	Operationalisation of OURIIP	Seed Funding and Fellowship selection list and assignment letter released. Working on	

		Fund release to HEIs	
	Review of Progress of Phase I COE and assessment of Phase II proposals (With OHEPEE)	Review Scheduled between Dec 17-21, 2019	
	One day brainstorming with VC, BU, VC GMU, Prof. Basa, Prof. R. Bal, Prof J. Parida and Dr. S. Das was organised on October 26, 2019 on Charting all conceivable steps that can be consolidated in HEIs of Odisha	A action point report is prepared	
<b>ISSUES RESOLVED IN OSHEC MEETING MARCH 19, 2019 FOR ACTION</b>			
1.	The Ten Goals (of the OSHEC Act) outlined by Commissioner cum Secretary HED is to be broken up in to sub goals and timeline established	Sub-goals identified. Prepared and Submitted to Hon'ble Chairman, OSHEC, June 13, 2019. (Enclosed Doc)	Timeline not identified. Partial Compliance
2.	Secretary HED may be a	Complied.	Complied

	permanent invitee to the OSHEC meeting and Act Revision may be done.	Necessary changes to act drafted and submitted to HED by Member Secretary	
3.	NIC/OCAC of IT Dept. may be requested to design the website of the Council.	NIC has been requisitioned. A model site without content ready. Data to be input and amount paid	Complied
4.	Prof. A.B Ota, IAS may be requested to share the logos of the Council for short-listing, which will be placed in the next Council meeting for approval.	<b>Have not been able to follow up</b>	<b>Not Complied</b>
<b>ACTION ON OTHER SUGGESTIONS FROM MEMBERS</b>			
5.	Making a vision document, which will focus in Academic-Industry partnership and effecting Environment audit of the selected HEIs	The 10 point document is a precursor of the vision document. Environment audit is now being requested through	

	through a third party verifying agency.	Botany Dept. of each university. Industry interface as a centralized policy can only be initiated after we get more people	
<b>6.</b>	<p>a. The draft curriculum, developed through putting so much intellectual input must be accepted fully both in the Universities and Autonomous colleges.</p> <p>b. There must be gap analysis i.e academic as well as infrastructure of the HEIs.</p> <p>c. Monitoring of the HEIs may be made following Hub &amp; Spoke model.</p> <p>d. The OSHEC members may be involved in the process of mentoring of</p>	<p>Complied.</p> <p>This data is partially available through OHEEPE and RUSA Database.</p> <p>Universities are being used as Hub and this model is being strengthened for Faculty training and accreditation. (OHEPEE)</p> <p>The initiative is taking shape. Willing members can participate.</p>	



	the colleges opting for NAAC accreditation.		
7.	Shortage of faculty and Principals	HED is taking action on this	Beyond OSHEC's Scope
8.	Project component may be introduced in the curriculum of +3 final year courses.	This is part of CBS and Sensitisation is being done through orientation of faculty by VC OSHEC	A Guideline PPT will be uploaded
9.	Involving Regional Directors of Education with University functionaries regarding the issues of academic efficiency and loss of autonomy of the HEIs.	A suggestion has been made to the universities after speaking to the RDs that university can make a core committee of CDC to meet once a month regularly	To be discussed with VCs formally
10.	In view of the changes CBCS curricula, teachers are to be updated.  E-Content of the difficult subject areas are to be developed.	Refreshers Training in CBCS new areas (subject wise) is being done by OHEPEE and Universities.  Supposed to have been developed by	Need to take a decision

		Utkal University for the entire state. About 15% complete.	
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