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From

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Member Secretary, OSHEC

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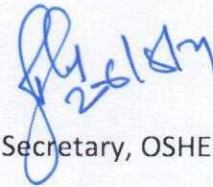
The Members (List enclosed)

Sub: Proceeding of the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors" Conclave

Madam/Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am to enclose herewith the copy of the proceeding of the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors" Conclave held on 23.07.2021 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education Department, Government of Odisha in the convention centre of Lok Seva Bhawan, Bhubaneswar.

Yours faithfully,

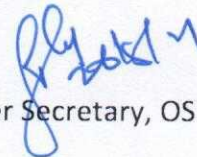


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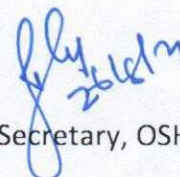


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PROCEEDINGS OF THE VICE-CHANCELLORS' CONCLAVE

Date: 23.07.2021 Time: 14.00 hrs.

**CONVENTION CENTRE, LOK SEVA BHAWAN,
BHUBANESWAR**

A Vice-Chancellors' Conclave was held under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education Department in the Convention Centre, Lok Seva Bhawan, Bhubaneswar at 14.00 hours on July 23, 2021. The conclave was attended by the Principal Secretary (HED), Vice Chairman (OSHEC), State Project Director (OHEPEE), Vice-Chancellors of the State public Universities under the administrative control of Higher Education Department, Government of Odisha along with respective Registrar, Chairperson of PG Council and Comptroller of Finance of these Universities. The meeting was also attended by Executive members of OSHEC, Member Secretary (OSHEC), all senior officers of HED of the rank of Joint Secretary and above, RDEs, Dy. Director (PTC), and Academic Consultants of OSHEC. After the opening remarks of Principal Secretary (HED) and Hon'ble Minister (HED), agenda wise discussion was made and following decisions were taken.

Discussion and Decisions:

1. Common PG Entrance Test (Setting a timeline)

The following timeline for CPET - 2021 was agreed upon.

- UG Final Year/ Semester Examination – 2021 to be over by 19.08.2021
- Entrance Examination (CPET – 2021) to be held from 23.08.2021 to 03.09.2021
- Back papers examinations to take place after the completion of CPET – 2021
- Result of UG Final year to be declared by 27.09.2021
- Merit List by 12th October
- First Round of Admission by 22nd October

2. Problems related to Ph.D.

- A Research Policy Advisory, including action points and timelines for conducting research, publications, patents, innovations, and work leading to Ph.D., will be prepared by OSHEC in consultation with all VCs and will be followed by all state universities for facilitation of research

3. Career Advancement Scheme for Promotion of University teachers

- Since there is some doubt pertaining to CAS promotion of University teachers, it was decided that HED would discuss this matter with the VCs in detail and issue a clarification.

4. E – Office

- It was decided that e-Office will be fully implemented in all the universities, by 31.12.2021.

5. National Academic Depository

- All Universities and Autonomous Colleges must come to a position, by 31.12.2021, to issue all their current year's certificates and marksheets compulsorily on NAD platform. It was also decided that by 31.12.2021, all Universities/ Autonomous Colleges must have compulsorily uploaded the certificates and marksheets issued from 2015 onwards on NAD platform.

6. RUSA Matters

- Based on the data provided by Ms. Rajashree Mohanty, Additional Secretary, HED and SPD (RUSA) the utilization certificates for funds received and spent under RUSA 1.0 and RUSA 2.0 need to be submitted by the universities. She also spoke about the new fund flow procedure under RUSA (GOI has prescribed the new procedure for all centrally sponsored schemes) on which HED will issue a guideline shortly.

7. OHEPEE Matters

- The State Project Director, OHEPEE briefly explained the genesis and objective of WB assisted OHEPEE project. Important things that have been done under this project are:- (i) improvement of quality in colleges (ii) standardization of examination reforms (iii) formation of a standard syllabus (iv) development of course materials in Communicative English (CE) in association with INFOSYS and Quantitative & Logical Thinking (QLT) to be taught as Skill Enhancement Course (SEC I & II) in the OHEPEE funded colleges. The books on CE and QLT are printed by Odisha Text Book Bureau. Since the SEC-I (CE) and SEC-II (QLT) courses have already been introduced in 137 numbers of OHEPEE assisted government and aided colleges, he requested all the VCs to introduce these courses in non-OHEPEE colleges who can get these books from the OTB. He also requested all the VCs to maintain On-Time Graduation records; On-Time Graduation being an important parameter of the World Bank to judge the success of the OHEPEE project.

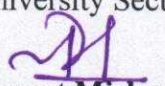
8. Reforms to the Financial Manual of Universities:

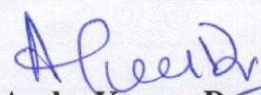
- Since many provisions of the University Accounts Manual have become out-dated, Controllers of Finance of State Universities will discuss amongst them and suggest changes to be made in the manual by 31.08.2021.

Concluding Remarks by the Hon'ble Minister

In his concluding remarks, Hon'ble Minister highlighted the 5T (Time, Team-work, Technology, Transparency leading to Transformation) principles of the Hon'ble Chief Minister and urged the Vice-Chancellors to follow the 5T principles in university administration. He concluded the day's proceedings by exhorting the VCs to achieve excellence in university functioning. HE assured them of all necessary support from the Higher Education Department in their march towards excellence.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by Sri. Birendra Korkora, Additional Secretary, University Section, HED.


Saswat Mishra 17/08/21
Principal Secretary
H.E. Department


Prof. Asoka Kumar Das
Vice-Chairperson
OSHEC