

Minutes of 310th (Emergent) meeting of the ERC held on 1st October, 2022

The 310th (Emergent) meeting of Eastern Regional Committee (ERC), National Council for Teacher Education held on 1st October, 2022 through 'virtual mode'.

2. The following Members listed below participated in the virtual mode meeting.

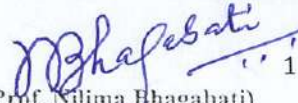
Sl. No.	Name of the Member	Designation
1)	Prof. Nilima Bhagabati	Chairperson
2)	Prof. Tana Showren	Member
3)	Dr. Premananda Biswal	Representative, Govt. of Odisha
4)	Dr. Shanti Ram Adhikari	Representative, Govt. of Sikkim
5)	Mr. Joram Muthu	Representative, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh
6)	Mr. Uttam Mitra	Representative, Govt. of Tripura
7)	Dr. K. Hukato SWU	Representative, Govt. of Nagaland
8)	Sh. Ravindra Singh	Regional Director & Convenor, ERC

3. The following members of ERC did not participate in the meeting:

Sl. No.	Name of the Member	Designation
1)	Prof. Nongmaithem Rajmuhon Singh	Member
2)	Dr. Rajiv Pandya	Member
3)	Prof. Subhas Chandra Roy	Member
4)	Prof. Kumar Moti	Member
5)	Mr. Kaushik Halder, IAS	Representative, Govt. of West Bengal
6)	Dr. L.N. Sonowal	Representative, Govt. of Assam
7)	The Commissioner cum Secretary, School Education)	Representative, Govt. of Manipur
8)	Mr. B. Demond. M. Diengdoh	Representative, Govt. of Meghalaya
9)	Dr. Binodanand Jha	Representative, Govt. of Bihar
10)	Prof. Vanlalhruali	Representative, Govt. of Mizoram
11)	Mr. Om Prakash Tiwary	Representative, Govt. of Jharkhand

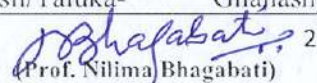
With the permission of the chair, Shri Ravindra Singh, Regional Director, ERC & Convener presented the agenda before the committee. Item-wise decision on each agenda is as under:

1.	Confirmation of minutes of 309th (Virtual) ERC Meeting held on 14th & 15th September, 2022	ERC Confirmed the minutes with the following modifications: The decision taken of final SCN by ERC at Sl. No. 58, 64, 65 & 67 be treated as cancelled as these institutions have submitted their reply to the First Show Cause Notice/s.
2.	Action taken Report on decisions taken in 309th (Virtual) ERC Meeting held on 14th & 15th September, 2022	Noted.


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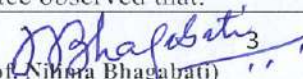
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3.	ERCAPP 3708 & ERCAPP 3710	Taraknath College of Education, Plot No.68, Vill/ Tehsil/ Taluka - Ghanashyampur, P.O. - Paltagarh, Town/ City - Singur, Dist - Hooghly, West Bengal - 712409.	B.Ed. and D.El.Ed	<p>The original file of the institution alongwith other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations and Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, was considered by ERC and the Committee observed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In terms of Section 14/15 of the NCTE Act, 1993, the recognition was granted to Taraknath College of Education, Plot No. 68 Village- Ghanshyampur, Post- paltagarh, Tehsil/Taluka- Ghanashyampur, Town/City- Singur, Distt- Hooghly, West Bengal-712409 for B.Ed. course of two year duration with an intake of 100 students (two basic units) vide ERC Order No. F.ER.291.15.ERCAPP3708 /NCTE/B.Ed/2021/63987 dated 19.04.2021 from the academic session 2022-2023 and D.El.Ed course of two year duration with an intake of 50 students (one basic unit) vide ERC Order No. F.ER.291.14.ERCAPP3710 /NCTE/D.El.Ed/2021/63971 dated 19.04.2021 from the session 2022-23. The Institution approached before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in IA No.82042 of 2021 in W.P.(C) No.536 of 2021 and I.A. No.82528 of 2021 in W.P.(C) No.577 of 2021 & I.A. Nos. 82045 of 2021 and I.A. Nos. 82530 of 2021 and the Hon'ble Court passed an order dated 02.08.2021. In compliance of order dated 02.08.2021 passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, the petitioner institution viz Taraknath College of Education, Plot No. 68, Village- Ghanshyampur, post- paltagarh, Tehsil/Taluka- Ghanashyampur,


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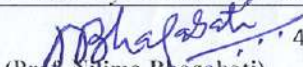
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				<p>Town/City- Singur, Distt- Hooghly, West Bengal-712409 was allowed to participate in counselling for the academic session 2021-2022 for B.Ed. and D.El.Ed Course as per decision in its 298th (Emergent) meeting of ERC held on 05th Nov, 2021. In this regard a letter was issued to the institution for B.Ed. and D.El.Ed Course alongwith concerned state Govt. on 15.11.21.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The office of ERC-NCTE as per decision of ERC in its 306 meeting held on 12th to 13th July, 2022 issued a notice to institution on 12.08.2022 regarding non submission of PAR for the academic session 2020-21. The petitioner has challenged the Show Cause Notice dated 12.08.2022 issued to the petitioner u/s 17 of the NCTE Act, before Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. The institution was not required to fill the PAR for the academic session 2020-21 as the recognition was granted to the institution from the academic session 2021-22. <p>In view of above, the Committee decided to withdraw the Show Cause Notice dated 12.08.2022 issued to institution as it was not required to fill the PAR for the academic session 2020-21 as the recognition was granted to the institution from the academic session 2021-22. The Institution, University & the State Government be informed accordingly.</p>
4.	Offline application	Sri Aniruddhadeva Sports University, Balijan, Paniera Gaon, P.O. Chabua, Dist. Dibrugarh,	M.P.Ed.	<p>The original file of the institution alongwith other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations and Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, was considered by ERC and the Committee observed that:</p>


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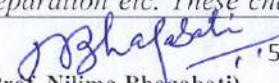
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		Assam - 786184		<p>The institution has submitted an offline application for grant of recognition to M.P.Ed. Course from the academic session 2022-2023 received in the office of ERC, NCTE, New Delhi on 11.02.2022.</p> <p>Clause 5 (3) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 provides as under:</p> <p><i>"The application shall be submitted online electronically along with the processing fee and scanned copies of required documents such as no objection certificate issued by the concerned affiliating body. While submitting the application, it has to be ensured that the application is duly signed by the applicant on every page, including digital signature at appropriate place at the end of the application."</i></p> <p>Further, The General Body of the council (NCTE) in its 55th meeting held on 14.07.2022, considered the following agenda:-</p> <p><i>Agenda No [5]: Decision on application, irrespective of any course, which are not in line with NEP 2020:</i></p> <p><i>The Council, after consideration of Agenda placed before the Council and detailed discussion and deliberation, as below, observed the following: -</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The NEP 2020 lays down that teacher education institutions will be gradually moved into multidisciplinary colleges and universities by 2030. By 2030, the</i>


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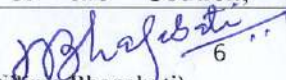
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				<p><i>minimal qualification for a person to become a teacher will be the 4 Year integrated B.Ed. degree.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The 2 Year B.Ed. program will also be offered only for those who have already obtained Bachelor's Degrees in other specialized subjects and the 1 Year B.Ed. program for those who have completed the equivalent of 4 Year multidisciplinary Bachelor's Degrees or who have obtained a Master's degree in a specialty and wish to become a subject teacher in that specialty.</i> <i>As per provision of Section 12 of NCTE Act, 1993 it shall be the duty of the Council to take all such steps as it may think fit for ensuring planned and co-ordinated development of Teacher Education.</i> <i>There are approximately 430 applications for various Teacher Education Programmes, other than Diploma level courses. Pending at different stages in the RCs.</i> <i>NEP 2020 has brought about a paradigm shift in the Teacher Education Sector. Accordingly, NCTE is also revamping its various curricula of ITEP. 2 Year B.Ed., 1 Year B.Ed. and introducing new courses of 4 Year Physical Education and 4 Year Art Education in line with NEP 2020. These courses are also to be aligned to the various criteria laid down by UGC and in alignment with NHEQE. NCFSE and NCFTE However, the existing courses which are currently running are not in alignment with these various aspects e.g. Credit System. 4 Stages of School Education (5+3+3+4). Entry- exit policy, no hard separation etc. These changes in</i>


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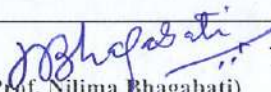
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				<p><i>curricula would also necessitate changes in the norms, standards and regulations. For the reasons aforementioned, it is not feasible to process any pending applications.</i></p> <p><i>In light of the above, the Council members unanimously decided the following:</i></p> <p>I. <i>At present, there are several institutions which have been recognised by the Regional Committees of NCTE wherein courses/ programme, other than diploma level courses, are running. An Expert Committee be constituted to devise the modalities for conversion of these recognised institutions into multidisciplinary institutions in line with NEP 2020.</i></p> <p>II. <i>The applications pending before the Regional Committees of NCTE shall not be processed</i></p> <p><i>Further. Hence, all such pending applications before RCs at any stage of processing be returned along with the processing fee to the concerned institution(s).</i></p> <p><i>In the cases where the applications are being processed/ reopened as per the directions of the Hon'ble Court (s), the concerned Regional Committee shall file a review/appeal before the Hon'ble Court(s) alongwith stay application against the order passed by the Hon'ble Court(s) for processing of application(s) in view of the decision of the Council as taken in II above.</i></p> <p><i>In view of the decision taken by the General Body of the Council, the</i></p>


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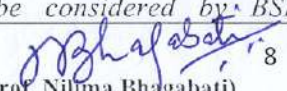
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5.	APE01093	Education College, Vill.- Basantapur, Po.- Basantapur, Dist- Murshidabad, West Bengal - 742406	M.Ed.	<p>application of the University be returned.</p> <p>The original file of the institution alongwith other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations and Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, was considered by ERC and the Committee observed that:</p> <p>The institution was granted recognition for running M.Ed. course vide Order No. ERC/WB-SO/N-48/2008/2106 dated 20.11.2009 from the Academic Session 2009-10 followed by the revised recognition Order No. ERC/NCTE/APE01093/B.Ed./Revised order/2015/32252 dated 27.05.2015 for an intake of 50 students.</p> <p>Further, As per decision of 278th meeting held on 16th – 18th January, 2020, recognition to M.Ed. course is withdrawn under section 17(1) of NCTE Act, 1993 from the next academic session 2020-2021 vide Order No. 05.02.2020.</p> <p>The Appeal Committee vide its Order No. Appeal order No. F.No.89-117/E-158890/2020 Appeal/17th Mtg.-2020/1st September, 2020 dated 29.09.2020 remanded the matter back for necessary action.</p> <p>Further, as per decision of ERC in its 293rd Meeting held on 9th June, 2021 recognition of the institution for M.Ed. course withdrawn vide order dated 05.02.2020 stands. Accordingly, Order dated 11.06.2021 was issued.</p> <p>The Appeal Committee vide its Order No. 89-238/E-195065/2021 Appeal/21st Meeting, 2021 APPLERC202114089/105189 dated 22.10.2021 remanded the matter back for necessary action.</p>


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6.	ERCAPP 201646290 ID No. 9218	S M Shoaib Hashmi Educational Trust Group of Institutions, Vill.-Parsa Pakaria Pathanpati, Street/Road-Narkatiya Bazar, Taluka/Mandal-Chauradano, Town/City-Parsa Pakaria Pathanpati, Dist.-Champaran East, Bihar-845301	D.El.Ed.	<p>The original file of the institution alongwith other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations and Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, was considered by ERC and the Committee observed that:</p> <p>The institution had filed W.P. (C) No. 13272/2022 & CM APPL. 40245/2022 before the High Court of Delhi. The Hon'ble Court passed an order dated 13.09.2022. The operative part of the order is as under: -</p> <p><i>".....7. Mr. Singh highlights Petitioners' predicament, in as much as, there are two affiliating authorities – one, which has withdrawn affiliation (i.e., BSEB); and the other one is (i.e., NCTE) with whom affiliation is continuing. Considering the fact that counselling is to commence tomorrow and concludes on 20th September, 2022, Mr. Singh states that Petitioner would like to make a representation to BSEB to reconsider its decision. If such representation is filed, the same shall be considered by BSEB, in</i></p>


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				<p><i>accordance with law, within a period of one week from today.</i></p> <p><i>8. Re-notify on 27th October, 2022."</i></p> <p>In compliance of the Court Order, the Committee decided to seek the present status of affiliation of the institution from the Bihar School Examination Board so as to take further action in the matter accordingly.</p>
7.	APE 00529	Department of Education Veer Kunwar Singh University, Ara, Bihar Pin Code- 802301	B.Ed.	<p>The original file of the institution alongwith other related documents, NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations and Guidelines issued by NCTE from time to time, was considered by ERC and the Committee observed that:</p> <p>The University was granted recognition for running B.Ed. programme vide Order No. ERC/7-69.6.1/2006/3508 dated 04.10.2006 with an annual intake of 100 students from the Academic Session 2006-07 followed by revised recognition order No. F.ERC/NCTE/APE00529/B.Ed.(Revised Order)/2015/32507 dated 30.05.2015 with an intake of 2 units of 50 students each.</p> <p>As per decision taken by ERC in its 282nd Meeting held on 8th & 9th July, 2020, the University was issued Show Cause Notice (SCN) No. ERC/282.50/APE00529/B.Ed./2020/62900 dated 13.08.2020 under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993.</p> <p>Further, as per decision taken by ERC in its 305th (Virtual) Meeting held on 28th April, 2022, the University was issued another Show Cause Notice (SCN) No. F.No.ER-305.14/NCTE/ERC/APE00529/B.Ed./2022/65640-41 dated 10.05.2022 under Section 17 of the NCTE Act, 1993.</p>


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				<p>The University submitted its reply to Show Cause Notice on 03.06.2022.</p> <p>Also, the University had filed CWJC No. 11339 of 2022 before the Hon'ble High Court at Patna and the Hon'ble Court passed an Order dated 14.09.2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In compliance of the Court Order, replies submitted by the University were considered by ERC and found satisfactory. <p>In view of above, the Committee decided that the recognition granted to the institution for B.Ed. programme with an intake of 100 students remain valid and the University & the State Government be informed accordingly.</p>

The meeting ended with the thanks to the Chair.


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