NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHER EDUCATION PLOT NO-G-7, DWARKA NEW DELHI-110075

Sub: MINUTES OF THE 49TH MEETING OF THE GENERAL BODY OF NCTE

The 49th meeting of the General Body of NCTE was scheduled for 25th March, 2020 and 12 agenda items were circulated by Speed Post and E-mail to all the GB members on 9.3.2020. Just before this meeting some members communicated their inability to attend in person due to an advisory issued by the Government of India regarding the threat of COVID-19 and the need for social distancing, avoiding large gatheringsetc.

- 2. In this background, the Chairperson, NCTE decided to convene the meeting through circulation as it was mandatory to hold a meeting of the GB within the financial year i.e. 31.03.2020. The agenda circulated earlier were restricted to the following items:
 - i. Inclusion of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh under purview of NCTE and the consequential redistribution of workload within RCs.
 - ii. Audited Annual Accounts of NCTE for the FY 2018-19
 - iii. Consideration of the revised Budget Estimate of NCTE for the Financial Year 2019-20 and budget for 2020-21
 - iv. Consideration of Annual Report of NCTE for the year 2018-2019
 - v. Additional agenda point for convening the GB meeting to deliberate on the remaining agenda items.
- 3. It was requested in the letter that the members may put a tick mark and send their approval on each of the above agenda items. 17 NCTE General Body members approved / confirmed all the agenda items circulated (copies enclosed at Annexure-1). Out of the responses received, no member has disapproved of any of the agenda items circulated. In this way total approval received out of the above listed agenda items would be 19, including Chairperson and Member Secretary, NCTE. This number is comfortably more than the quorum required of 1/3rd of total strength of NCTE GB members.
- 4. The Agenda items, and the decision against each of them, may be recorded as under:

अवस्थी (आई.आर.एस.)

सदस्य सचिव Member Secretary

Agenda Item No. 4: Inclusion of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh under purview of NCTE

With the promulgation of Jammu & Kashmir Re-organization Act, 2019, Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh are declared as Union Territories. These 2 UTs have now come under purview of NCTE Act. Consequent upon implementation of the Jammu & Kashmir Re-organization Act, 2019, there is a need to include the new UTs in any existing RCs of NCTE.

Considering the heavy workload already existing in the Northern Regional Committee, there was an urgent need for redistribution of existing workload. In this context it may be brought to notice that presently as per the Annual Report 2018-19 and as on 31.03.2019, total number of institutions/courses functional in the 4 Regional Committees are as follows:

- 1. ERC Institutions 1799 Course 2770
- 2. WRC Institutions 2914 Course 4990
- 3. NRC Institutions 7725 Course 10301
- 4. ERC Institutions 4290 Course 7109

In view of the above figures and facts, the State of Rajasthan having 1406 TEIs and 1916 courses was deemed fit for shifting to WRC. This reorganization is expected to ease the burden on NRC and will also not appear as if the geographical territory of each RC is being tempered with without any logic or justification. In due course all cases of the 2 new UTs will be processed by the NRC as per the extant provisions stipulated in the NCTE Regulations.

Considering the urgency, a draft Notification, after soliciting approval of the Chairperson of NCTE, was sent to MHRD and thereafter vetted by Ministry of Law, Government of India. It has been published in the Gazette of India and notified on 27.01.2020. (Annexure-A)

The action of inclusion of the 2 UTs and reorganization of work within RCs may be approved by the GB of NCTE.

Decision of the Council

The agenda item was approved as proposed.

संजय अवस्थी (आई.आर.एस.) Sanjay Awasthi (I.R.S.) सदस्य सचिव

Member Secretary राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् National Council for Teacher Education

Agenda Item No. 7: Audited Annual Accounts of NCTE for the FY 2018-19

The Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2018-19 were finalized and approved by the Finance Committee in the month of January 2020. Subsequently, the CAG Audit was carried out during the period from 12.02.2020 to 18.02.2020. Now the Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2018-19 are placed for approval of the Governing Council.

Decision of the Council

The agenda item was approved as proposed.

संजय अवस्थी (आई.आर.एस.) Sanjay Awasthi (I.R.S.) सदस्य सचिव

Member Secretary राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् National Council for Teacher Education भारत सरकार/Govt. of India जी-7, सेक्टर-10 द्वारका/G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka नई दिल्ली-110075/New Delhi-110075 Agenda Item No. 8: Consideration of the revised Budget Estimate of NCTE for the Financial Year 2019-20 and budget for 2020-21

Proposed budget of the Council for Financial Year 2020-21 and revised budget for 2019-20 is placed for consideration and approval.

Decision of the Council

The agenda item was approved as proposed.

संजय अवस्थी (आई.आर. र्रस.) Sanjay Awasthi (I.R.S.) सदस्य सचिव

Member Secretary राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् National Council for Teacher Education भारत सरकार/Govt. of India जी-7, सेक्टर-10 द्वारका/G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka नई दिल्ली-110075/New Delhi-110075

Agenda Item No. 9: Consideration of Annual Report of NCTE for the year 2018-2019

The Annual Report of NCTE for the year 2018-2019 has been prepared and printed version of the Annual Report in Hindi and English is placed before the Council. As per the provisions contained in Section 25 of the NCTE Act, 1993, there is a provision for laying of the AR before both House of Parliament once every year. Section 25 of the Act is reproduced below:

"The Council shall prepare once every year, in such form and at such time as may be prescribed, an annual report giving a true and full account of its activities during the previous year and copies thereof shall be forwarded to the Central Government and that Government shall cause the same to be laid before both Houses of Parliament".

- 2. It is pertinent to mention here that due to certain reasons in recent years the Annual Report could not be sent to the Central Government and it could not be placed before both House of Parliament within the stipulated period resulting into NCTE and MHRD both having to appear before the Parliamentary Committee on Papers laid on Table and give their explanation of the reasons due to which the Annual Report could not be placed before both House of the Parliament in time. Therefore, the Annual Report 2018-19 has been sent to the MHRD on 28.02.2020 after approval of the Chairperson, NCTE.
- 3. The Annual Report 2018-2019 in Hindi and English versions both are placed before the Council for ratification of the decision taken by the Chairperson, NCTE on behalf of the Council in view of the peculiar circumstances and the time frame stipulated for laying of the Annual Report before both Houses of the Parliament.

(The Annual Report of NCTE for the year 2018-2019 is being placed separately on the table.)

Decision of the Council

The agenda item was approved as proposed.

संजय अवस्थी (आई.आर.एस.) Sanjay Awasthi (I.R.S.) सदस्य सचिव

सदस्य सचिव Member Secretary राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद् National Council for Teacher Education **NB:** Additional Agenda was proposed for deliberating on the remaining agenda items in the next meeting of the GB. This agenda also purported to be treated as an advance notice for that meeting.

Decision of the Council

It is seen that 14 GB members have given their consent for convening a formal meeting in due course. (Thus 16 Council members including Chairperson and Member Secretary NCTE have approved this item.)

संजय अवस्थी (आई.आर.एस.) Sanjay Awasthi (I.R.S.) सदस्य सचिव

Member Secretary राष्ट्रीय अध्यापक शिक्षा परिषद National Council for Teacher Education भारत सरकार/Govt. of India जी–7, सेक्टर–10 द्वारका/G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka नई दिल्ली-110075/New Delhi-110075

LIST OF THE MEMBERS WHO SENT THEIR APPROVAL THROUGH E-MAIL

Annexure - 1

- 1. Dr Satbir Bedi, IAS, Chairperson NCTE
- 2. Shri Sanjay Awasthi, Member Secretary, NCTE
- 3. Dr.Banwari Lal Natiya, Principal (Retd.), Chairperson, Northern Regional Committee, NCTE
- 4. Dr. K. K. Shine, Chairperson, Southern Regional Committee, NCTE
- 5. Dr. Ravindra M Kadu, Chairperson, Western Regional Committee, NCTE
- 6. Prof. Kshiti Bhuasn Das, Chairperson, Eastern Regional Committee, NCTE
- 7. Prof. P.K. Joshi, Director, Faculty Development Centre, Department of Education, Birla Campus, Srinagar Garhwal 246174, Uttarkhand
- 8. Prof. Anil Shukla, Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Rohilkhand University, Bareilly, UP
- 9. Prof. Shashikala Wanjari, Vice-Chancellor, SNDT Women's University, 1, Nathibai Thackersey Road, Mumbai 400 020, MH.
- 10. Dr. Ashok Pandey, Former Principal, Mayur Vihar, Phase, 1, Chatan Jain Marg, opp. Una Enclave, Delhi 110091
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- 13. Shri Subodh Tiwari, CEO, Kavalyadham, Yoga Institute, Swami KuvalyanandaLonavala, Pune 410403, MH
- 14. Ms. Shashi Banerjee, Principal Shiv Nadar School, Plot No -SS, 1, Noida Greater Noida Expressway, Sector 168, Noida, Uttar Pradesh
- 15. Prof. Ajit Sinh Rana, School of Education, Dr Baba Sahab Ambedkar Open University, Jyotirmay Parisar, Sarkhej-Gandhinagar Highway, Chharodi, opp. Shri Balaji Temple, Ahmedabad, Gujarat 382481
- 16. Principal Secretary , (Education), Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, J-Block, 3rdFloor, Room No. 312, Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Hyderabad 500022, Andhra Pradesh

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- 17. Shri Raj Kumar Sharma, Principal, Geeta Bal Bharti Senior Secondary School, Rajgarh Colony, Delhi -110031
- 18. Ms. Rashmi Chauhan, Principal, Angel Academy Ucch Madhyamik Vidhyalaya, Luxmi Vihar Bahadrabad Haridwar Uttaranchal Haridwar Uttarakhand 249402
- 19. Shri Joby Balakrishanan, Primary School Teacher, Government Junior Primary School, Mulli, Attappadi, Kerala

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