

F. No. NCTE-CDN/5/2021-CDN-HQ

Date: 03.03.2021

Subject: Circulation of Minutes of 52nd GB Meeting held on 25th January 2021 – reg.

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed herewith the copy of Minutes of 52nd General Body of NCTE Meeting held on 25th January 2021 for taking appropriate action on the decisions taken by the Council.

2. The Regional Directors (SRC, ERC, NRC, WRC) may initiate the process of returning back the application fee to the TEIs in consultation with Deputy Secretary/Under Secretary EDP & Account.
3. Academic Section / Division of NCTE may initiate the action on the suggestive curriculum for 4-year ITEP, conduct of National Common Entrance Test, Extension of TET to all levels of school education, Model curriculum for 1-year & 2-year B.Ed., concept note on NPST, formulation of NCFTE and concept note on role of NCTE as Professional Standards Setting Body (PSSB).
4. Inspection Section / Division of NCTE may initiate the action on the decision of council pertaining to them.
5. Regulation Section / Division of NCTE may initiate the action on the decision of council pertaining to the issue of fresh notification to start 4-year ITEP and its notification in regular/pilot mode.
6. The action taken report on the compliance of decisions may be furnished on time for perusal to the authority.


(T. Pritam Singh)
Deputy Secretary

Enclosure: As above.

To,

1. The Deputy Secretaries – Estt., Account, GA, CDN, Acad., Regulation etc.
2. The Regional Director – ERC, SRC, WRC, NRC
3. All Under Secretaries – Regional Committees/Headquarter
4. All Section Officer, NCTE
5. PS/PA to CP/MS, NCTE.



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 52nd GENERAL BODY OF NCTE HELD ON 25th JANUARY, 2021

The 52nd meeting of the General Body of NCTE was held through Virtual Mode on 25th January, 2021, at 11:00 am. The list of members who attended the meeting is attached at Annexure – I.

At the outset, Shri Vineet Joshi, Chairperson, NCTE welcomed the members of the General Body of NCTE.

With the permission of the Chair, Mrs. Kesang Yangzom Sherpa, IRS, Member Secretary, NCTE presented the agenda before the Council.

Agenda Item No. 1: Action Taken Report of the items taken up by the General Body of NCTE in its 50th meeting held on 29th September 2020

The 50th Meeting of the General Body of NCTE was held on 29th September 2020. As per the Minutes of 50th GB Meeting, the following actions have been taken in its compliance. The Action Taken Report of the same is submitted for consideration and information.

- (i) Action Taken Report of the Minutes of 50th General Body Meeting of NCTE held on 29.09.2020.

S. No.	Agenda Item	Action Taken Report
1.	Consideration of issue related to discontinuation of standing committee for recommendation of applications for grant of recognition to Innovative Teacher Education Programme.	The action is under active consideration to reconstitute the Innovative Committee with new set of Experts.
2.	Consideration of issue related to Re-constitution of Appeal Committee.	The action is under active consideration to reconstitute the Appeal Committee with new set of Experts.
3.	Consideration of Annual Report of NCTE for the year 2019-2020.	The Annual Report has been printed and sent to Ministry of Education for placing before the Table of both Houses in Parliament.
4.	Ratification of relaxation granted under Clause 12 of the NCTE Regulations, 2014 by the Chairperson, NCTE, New Delhi.	No action is required to be taken as it was only a matter for ratification of earlier decision.
5.	Consideration of the issue related to minimum qualification for appointment as Assistant Professor and reduction of	Agenda Item was dropped; hence, no action is required to be taken.

	number of posts in existing teacher education institutions recognized by NCTE.	
6.	Consideration of the issue related to extension of validity of Teacher Eligibility Test from Seven Years to Lifetime.	Legal opinion has been obtained and accordingly the draft revised guidelines are being put up to the Competent Authority for implementation.
7.	Consideration of the issue related to revision of the Norms and Standards of the existing 3-years integrated B.Ed.-M.Ed. degree course for appearing in TET and employment as schoolteachers.	The report submitted by the Committee, was shared with the GB through circulation.
8.	Audited Annual Accounts of NCTE for the Financial Year 2019-2020.	Audit report from CAG is awaited

Decision of the Council –

The agenda was discussed in detail and it was decided to revise the Minutes of 50th GB Meeting and resubmit to the Council thereafter. This agenda will be placed before GB again.

- (ii) Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 51st General Body Meeting of NCTE held through circulation on 23.12.2020.

S. No.	Agenda Item	Action Taken Report
1.	Best Teacher Educator Award - Streamline and Transform the Ecosystem of all the Awards at National Level.	The number of Best Teacher Educator Award has been reduced as approved.
2.	Consideration of the issue related to revision of the Norms and Standards of the existing 3-years Integrated B.Ed.-M.Ed. degree course for appearing in TET and employment as schoolteacher.	Draft Notification have been put up for approval of the Competent Authority. Thereafter, will be sent to Ministry for Legal vetting and necessary Gazette Notifications.
3.	Nomination of General Body members to Regional Committees.	Chairperson, NCTE has been authorized to nominate the said members. The nominations for the same are under active consideration.
4.	Waiving off the Registration Fee charged for Online Teacher Pupil Registration Management System (OTPRMS).	A fee of Rs. 200/- charged for OTPRMS has been waived off.

Decision of the Council –

The Council approved the action taken report of the 51st meeting of the General Body conducted through circulation on 23.12.2020 as per the four agenda items mentioned above.

Agenda Item No. 2: Consideration of tasks as recommended in National Education Policy 2020 to be undertaken by NCTE.

The National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020), which was approved by the Union Cabinet of India on 29th July 2020, outlines the vision of India's new education system. The new policy replaces the previous National Policy on Education, 1986. The policy is a comprehensive framework for elementary education to higher education as well as vocational training in both rural and urban India. The NEP 2020 envisions an India-centric education system that contributes directly to transforming our nation sustainably into an equitable and vibrant knowledge society by providing high-quality education to all.

2. The NEP 2020 puts forward many policy changes when it comes to teachers and teacher education. To become a teacher, a 4-year Bachelor of Education will be the minimum requirement needed by 2030. The teacher recruitment process will also be strengthened and made transparent. The National Council for Teacher Education will frame a National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education by 2021 and a National Professional Standards for Teachers by 2022 etc. The policy aims to ensure that all students at all levels of school education are taught by passionate, motivated, highly qualified, professionally trained, and well-equipped teachers.

3. The NEP 2020 enacts numerous changes in India's teacher education sector. Major tasks as recommended in NEP 2020 for NCTE are as under: -

- a. Implementation of 4-years Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP) in multi-disciplinary colleges/University.

Action Point: For academic session 2021-22, 4-year Integrated Teacher Education Programme shall start in selected Central/State multidisciplinary Institutions/Universities on pilot basis. Applications of such Institutions/Universities shall be processed for granting recognition as per given recognition norms from amongst the received applications (Central/State owned) of ITEP as invited in 2019 from different institutions.

Discussion during GB Meeting-

- 1) Prof. Ajit Singh Rana suggested that 4-Year ITEP should be started from session 2022-23. He emphasized that request on behalf of GB may be sent to Ministry of Education for launching the 4 Year ITEP from session 2022-23. He suggested taking nationwide inputs in the said curriculum from various universities. He highlighted for the need of new regulation for 4 Year ITEP based on NEP 2020 and fresh notification to be brought for running this course on pilot basis. He emphasized that ITEP should run without any discrimination between government and private TEIs. He further suggested that processing fee invited for ITEP applications may be returned to TEIs with interest. He

highlighted that in Gujarat, TEIs are already running integrated programme. He pointed out that since the ITEP Regulation 2019, was brought in before NEP 2020, it may be considered null and void. He pointed out that there was time given till 2030 to implement 4 Year ITEP; in the meantime the old 2 Year B.Ed. should continue. He was of the opinion that the new 2 Year B. Ed and 1 Year B.Ed, as stipulated in NEP 2020, was applicable only for the courses under 4 Year ITEP. He also raised the issue regarding SCN to substandard TEIs and closing them.

- 2) Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya pointed out that there may be court cases while processing only the applications of government colleges for the 4 Year ITEP on a pilot basis based on the old notification of 2019. He stated there were already cases filed wherein orders had been issued by Hon'ble Allahabad, Delhi and Rajasthan High Courts for 4 Year ITEP to be considered for all the applicants. Therefore, provision should be made to invite fresh applications through fresh notification in regard to the pilot course. He also supported the idea that Ministry of Education may be requested to issue a fresh notification for the pilot process for launching the 4 Year ITEP from session 2022-23.
- 3) Shri Sandeep Joshi also endorsed the views of Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya. He emphasized that Hindi and other regional languages should be incorporated in the curriculum. He also supported the idea of extending the dates for notification may be sent to Ministry of Education for launching the 4 Year ITEP from session 2022-23.
- 4) Dr. Ravindra Mahadeorao Kadu emphasized the need for orientation programmes to be given to the faculty appointed in TEIs which are to run 4 Year ITEP course. He also suggested to circulate hard copies of 4 Year ITEP curriculum to GB members. He highlighted that 2019 notification for 4 Year ITEP may be withdrawn and new notification should be done for pilot basis. He also pointed out that since the teachers have not given orientation programme, it could not be implemented from the current session. He emphasized that PAR must be introduced along with this.
- 5) Dr. Kshiti Bhusan Das mentioned that the ITEP course may be started on pilot basis in govt TEIs from academic session 2021-22. He also suggested for NAAC accreditation of TEIs and orientation programmes for faculty running ITEP course. The idea of inviting fresh applications and regulation for the ITEP course too was endorsed. He also suggested to revisit the working hours (125 hours) as mentioned for the said course. He also highlighted that due to COVID-19, the UGC has laid down that the academic session will start from September 2021; therefore, the ITEP course could be started from this session only. This would give enough time for the new notification to be issued for the academic session to be started for 2021-22.
- 6) Dr. K.K. Shine also endorsed the idea of inviting fresh applications. He suggested that the application fee may be refunded to the TEIs who had applied earlier. He suggested that the 4 Year ITEP may be put on hold for some time. He mentioned to invite fresh applications for ITEP course.
- 7) Prof. Umesh Chandra Vashishath stated that 4 Year ITEP cannot be implemented from the session 2021-22 because it was a half thought process.
- 8) Shri Jobi Balakrishanan suggested that more time is required to read the curriculum of 4 Year ITEP and give suggestions and recommendations. He highlighted that Foundational Stage (Early Childhood Care) stage needs more focus.
- 9) Dr. Dhananjay Joshi highlighted that the 4 Year ITEP curriculum is comprehensive. He further highlighted that regional languages have been given due importance in the 4 Year ITEP curriculum by the committee. He stated that substantial work and wide consultations have been made while preparing the suggestive curriculum in line with NEP 2020.
- 10) Prof. Anil Shukla pointed out that in Central Universities, faculty is complete as per the norms but in State Universities, many a times faculty is not as per the norms. He



pointed out that VTs have been started. He further pointed that the fee for accreditation has been pending for long, therefore, it may be returned.

- 11) Dr. Ashok Pandey suggested the roll back of 4 Year ITEP notification and invite fresh applications for the same.
- 12) Dr. Kinnari Pandiya emphasized that NCTE should seek extension from Ministry for extending the deadline for implication of the said course as the curriculum currently does not cater the needs for foundational stages and that the National Curriculum Framework was not ready.

Decision of the Council-

The Council decided that the application fees given by colleges should be returned back to them. Alternatively, the session should be started only for academic year 2022-23. Starting the course on pilot basis in Govt. Institutions will be examined afresh.

- b. Conduct of National Common Entrance Test (NCET) for entry/admission to 4-year Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP) by NTA.

Action Point: In order to maintain uniform standard for Teacher Education, the admission to pre-service Teacher Preparation Programme shall be through suitable component and aptitude test. There shall be a National Common Entrance Test to be conducted by National Testing Agency for entry to 4-year Integrated B.Ed. course. The NTA will finalise the specification for entrance examination to be conducted for students desiring to pursue 4-year Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP).

Decision of the Council-

Approved in principle as proposed, authorising the Chairperson, NCTE to take up this task.

- c. Design/Development of Model/Suggestive Curriculum for 4-years Integrated Teacher Education Program aligned with NEP 2020.

Action Point: NCTE shall finalise Curriculum Framework for TEIs to adopt 4-year Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP) aligned with NEP 2020 which shall serve as the minimal degree qualification for schoolteacher. The draft has been prepared after thorough consultation with various stakeholders in the Teacher Education sector. The draft, after incorporating valid suggestions of the GB, is to be placed before Ministry of Education for vetting. It is proposed that Chairperson NCTE shall be authorized to amend the draft as directed by Ministry. Presentation of Suggestive Curriculum Framework on 4-year Integrated Teacher Education Program (ITEP) aligned with NEP 2020 to be presented before GB.

Decision of the Council-

This agenda point was already discussed while discussing the agenda point at 3(a) above. The Council decided that the curriculum is to be circulated in hard



copy to all the Members. All members are to submit their specific suggestions by e-mail latest by 15.02.2021 which would be duly considered. The Suggestive Curriculum for 4 Year ITEP was approved with the relevant suggestions /changes to be incorporated and Chairperson NCTE shall be authorized to amend the draft as further directed by MoE.

- d. Preparation of plan of action to extend Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) to all levels of school education.

Action Point: The Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) Guidelines of NCTE would need to be revisited in view of the recommendation of NEP 2020 for extending TET to cover teachers across all stages (Foundational, Preparatory, Middle & Secondary) of school education.

Decision of the Council-

Approved in principle as proposed authorising the Chairperson, NCTE for a comprehensive review of the TET guidelines for extending TET to cover teachers across all stages as recommended in NEP 2020 with the help of teacher education experts.

- e. Two years B.Ed. Program and one Year B.Ed. Program as recommended in NEP 2020.

Action Point: NCTE shall finalise Model Curriculum and Regulation for TEIs to adopt 2-years B.Ed. Program and 1-Year B.Ed. Program aligned with NEP 2020 for preparing schoolteacher.

Decision of the Council-

Approved in principle as proposed authorising the Chairperson, NCTE to finalise model curriculum and regulation for TEIs to adopt 2 Year B.Ed. programme and 1 Year B.Ed. programme aligned with NEP 2020 for preparing school teachers with the help of teacher education experts.

- f. To develop a Common National Professional Standard for Teachers (NPST).

Action Point: The National Professional Standards for Teachers (NPST) are a public statement of what constitutes teacher quality. They define the work of teachers and make explicit the elements of high-quality, effective teaching in 21st century schools that will improve educational outcomes for students. The task of developing and designing of NPST shall be undertaken by NCTE with the help experts in consultation with MoE.

Decision of the Council-

Approved in principle as proposed authorising the Chairperson, NCTE to take up the task of developing and designing of NPST as recommended in NEP 2020 with the help of experts in consultation with MoE.



- g. To formulate a new comprehensive National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education (NCFTE).

Action Point: The National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education (NCFTE) is an endeavour of the National Council for Teacher Education to encourage stakeholders on the qualitative and quantitative improvements that could be achieved in educating teachers at school, graduate, post-graduate, doctoral and post-doctoral levels. The previous "National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education" which was developed and designed in 2009 requires revision. Accordingly, there exists a need for the new and comprehensive National Curriculum Framework for Teacher Education (NCFTE) aligned with NEP 2020.

Therefore, the task of developing and designing of NCFTE aligned with NEP 2020 shall be undertaken by NCTE with the help of experts and in consultation with MoE. So, that formulation of NCFTE should simultaneously begin with the development of NCFSE and NCFECCE by NCERT.

Decision of the Council-

Approved in principle as proposed authorising the Chairperson, NCTE to take up the task of developing and designing of NCFTE 2021 align with NEP 2020 with the help of experts in consultation with MoE/NCERT so that the formulation of NCFTE should simultaneously with the development of NCFSE and NCFECCE by NCERT.

- h. National Higher Education Regulatory Authority (NHERA) has been proposed with four separate verticals for Regulation, Standard Setting, Accreditation, and Funding. It will absorb Arts and Science, Technical and Teacher education into its fold replacing several existing Regulatory Bodies.

Action Point: The proposal for preparing a roadmap for Standard Setting Body is to be placed for consideration. Under this, the following points would need to be considered:

- Role of NCTE as a Professional Standard Setting Body (PSSB)
- Re-organization of staff for the new role as PSSB

Decision of the Council-

Approved in principle as proposed authorising the Chairperson, NCTE to take up the task of preparing a road map for standard setting body with the help of experts in consultation with MoE.

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Agenda Item No. 3: Consideration of the issue related to Online (Virtual) Inspection of Institutions of TEIs under Section 13, 14 and 15 of the NCTE Act, 1993 and selection of offline VT from the approved panel if the online selected VT does not accept the offer consecutively two times.

As per the provisions contained under Section 13, 14 and 15 of NCTE Act 1993, the HQ/RCS cause inspection of teacher education institutions (TEIs) by team of experts called Visiting Teams (VT) under Sections 13, 14 and 15 of the NCTE Act, 1993. As per the provisions of Clause 7 (7) of NCTE Regulations, 2014 a panel of 405 experts has been prepared and out of this panel in accordance with the visiting team policy, as approved by the council in its 45th meeting, inspection is caused to the TEIs. Further as per the provision of clause 8(8) of NCTE Regulations 2014, at the time of visit of the team of experts to an institution, the institution concerned shall arrange for the inspection to be videographed in a manner that all important infrastructural and instructional facilities are videographed along with inspection with the management and the faculty, if available at the time such visit.

2. As stated above, the NCTE HQ and Regional Committees of NCTE are conducting inspection u/s 13, 14 & 15 by deputing visiting team to the TEIs. The visiting team members physically visit the institution with a view to assess the level of preparedness of the institution to commence the course or to ascertain as to whether the recognised TEI is functioning in accordance with the Norms and Standards under which it was recognised. The selection of the VT members is through online mode from the existing/approved list of experts. The Inspection under Section 13 of the recognized TEI is conducted by NCTE Hqrs. in accordance with the NCTE amendment Notification 2003 of Rule 8 which prescribes the procedure for conduct of inspection under section 13 of the NCTE Act, 1993.

The following proposals are being placed in this regard for consideration: -

- (i) In view of Covid-19 pandemic and also to save time, enhance transparency and enabling ease of business, it is proposed that inspections under section 13, 14 and 15 may also be conducted in Online (virtual VT) mode instead of only physical visits to institution by the inspection team as and when required.
- (ii) Whenever the VT offers are rejected/ not responded to twice consecutively in the cycle of online selection by any or both VT members, NCTE may be authorised to select the VT Member offline to conduct it in a time bound manner from the panel of experts.
- (iii) It is also proposed that in the event of online selection of VT member for inspection, he/she either rejects or does not accept the offer of inspection consecutively twice (which is deemed to be rejection), the VT member may be debarred for further VTs of NCTE for a period of minimum two years from the date of debarment.

Therefore, the Council may consider the above proposals and accord its approval to:

- (i) cause Online Inspection (Virtual) mode to the TEIs to be visited under Section 13, 14 and 15 of NCTE Act,
- (ii) to depute offline VT member from the approved panel if the online selected VT member does not accept the offer consecutively twice and,
- (iii) He/ she in case of 2 consecutive rejections/ non-acceptance may be debarred from the VT panel for a period of minimum two years from the date of debarment.

Discussion during the GB Meeting-

- 1) Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya pointed out that there is no need of virtual inspection.

- 2) Dr. Kshiti Bhusan Das highlighted that NAAC has started physical inspection. He further added that a short orientation programmes may be conducted for VT members before inspections.
- 3) Dr. Dhananjay Joshi suggested that inspite of VTs in offline mode, a lot of sub-standard TEIs came into existence, therefore, online mode should not be considered.
- 4) Prof. Anil Shukla pointed out that senior faculties are usually not applying for VT panel. He suggested that one member may be selected from the panel and other as suggested from the concerned RC. He pointed out that the experience for selecting VTs in last 10 years has not been very pleasant. Therefore, in emergent cases RCs should select VTs for online inspection.
- 5) Dr. K.K. Shine highlighted that no online VT should be done.
- 6) Dr. Ravindra Mahadeorao Kadu too endorsed the idea of Dr. K.K. Shine. He suggested that VT team should be selected from adjacent states and not from too far off. He emphasized to constitute a 4 membered VT team, 2 members as from the VT panel, 1 from affiliating body and 1 from local administration.
- 7) Dr. Ashok Pandey suggested that for better transparency, VTs should be conducted either online or offline. Institutional detail should be displayed on TEIs official website and open suggestions should be invited from general public and then VTs should be for inspection.
- 8) Prof. Ajit Singh Rana emphasized that a five membered VT team may be constituted including a member from local revenue department/ district authorities. He highlighted that the TA bills of VT members should be cleared in time.

Decision of the Council –

The agenda was discussed in detail and the council did not agree for online Meetings i.e. agenda 3(i). The Council approved agenda items at 3(ii) & 3(iii).

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



Annexure-A

List of the Members who attended the Meeting of the Council held on 25th January 2021 at 11:00 A.M. at NCTE, New Delhi.

1. Dr. Vineet Joshi, Chairperson, National Council for Teacher Education, Dwarka, Sector – 10, New Delhi – 110075.
2. Ms. Kesang Yangzom Sherpa, Member Secretary, National Council for Teacher Education, Dwarka, Sector – 10, New Delhi – 110075.
3. Shri Vipin Kumar, Joint Secretary, Dept. of School Education and Literacy, MHRD, 124-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001.
4. Dr. Sridahar Srivastava, Director (I/C), National Council for Educational Research and Training, New Delhi Campus, Sri Aurobindo Marg, New Delhi-110016
5. Dr. Joseph Emmanuel, Director Academic, Central Board of Secondary Education, Preet Vihar, New Delhi-110092.
6. Dr. Kshiti Bhusan Das Chairperson, Eastern Regional Committee, 1674(P), Mahadev Road, Baramunda Village, Bhubaneswar – 751003, Odisha.
7. Dr. Ravindra Mahadeorao Kadu, Chairperson, WRC, Mudholkar Peth, Amrawati – 444601, MH.
8. Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya, Principal (Retd.), Chairperson, Northern Regional Committee, D A-20, Kumawat Colony, Road No. 2, Khatipura Road, Jhotwara, Jaipur – 302012, (Rajasthan)
9. Dr. K.K Shine Chairperson, Southern Regional Committee, Head of Deptt. of Education, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (D.U.) Guruvayoor Campus – 680551, Kerala.
10. Prof. P.K Joshi Director, Faculty Development Centre, Department of Education, Birla Campus, Srinagar Garhwal – 246174, Uttarkhand
11. Dr. Dhananjay Joshi, Dean, Department of Education, Guru Govind Singh Indraprastha University, Block C, Room No. C- 403, Sector 16C, Dwarka New Delhi – 110078.
12. Prof. Anil Shukla, Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Rohilkhand University, Bareilly, Residential Address: 7-A Professor's Banglow, Lucknow University Campus, Badshahbagh, Lucknow-226007
13. Prof. Shashikala Wanjari, Vice-Chancellor, SNDT Women's University 1, Nathibai Thackersey Road, Mumbai 400020
14. Dr. Ashok Pandey, Former Principal, Mayur Vihar, Phase 1, Chatan Jain Marg, Opp. Una Enclave, New Delhi – 110091.
15. Prof. (Retd) Umesh Chandra Vashishath, former Dean, Department of Education, University of Lucknow. UP.
16. Shri Sambharant Sharma, Executive-Member, Sri Aurobindo Society, New Delhi.
17. Shri Subodh Tiwari, CEO, Kavalyadham, Yoga Institute, Swami Kuvalyananda Lonavala, Pune – 410403 MH
18. Shri Sandeep Joshi, Aadarsh Government Higher Secondary School, Rewat, Jalore – 343001, Rajasthan.



19. Ms. Shashi Banerji, Principal Shiv Nadar School, Plot No -SS- 1, Noida - Greater Noida Expressway, Sector 168 Noida, Uttar Pradesh
20. Prof. Ajit Singh Rana, School of Education, Dr Baba Saheb Ambedkar Open University, Jyotirmay Parisar, Sarkhej- Gandhinagar Highway, Chharodi, opp. Shri Balaji Temple, Ahmedabad, Gujarat -382481.
21. Shri Raj Kumar Sharma, Principal, Geeta Bal Bharti Senior Secondary School, Rajgarh Colony, Delhi – 110031.
22. Shri Jobi Balakrishnan, Primary School Teacher, Government Junior Primary School, Mulli, Attappadi, Kerala

Officers from NCTE

1. Sh. T. Pritam Singh, Deputy Secretary, NCTE, Dwarka, Sector -10, New Delhi.
2. Shri Dinesh Kumar Chaturvedi, Under Secretary, NCTE, Dwarka, Sector-10, New Delhi.
3. Dr. S. K. Chauhan, Research Officer, NCTE, Dwarka, Sector -10, New Delhi.

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List of the Members who did not attend the Meeting of the Council held on 25th January 2021 at 11:00 A.M. at NCTE, New Delhi.

1. Chairman, University Grant Commission, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi – 110002.
2. Director, National Institute of Education Planning and Administration, 17-B, Sri Aurobindo Marg New Delhi – 110016
3. Adviser (Education), Planning Commission, Planning Commission, Yojana Bhawan, Parliament street, New Delhi – 110001.
4. Financial Adviser, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India Dept. of School Education and Literacy, MHRD, 124-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001.
5. Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member-Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi – 110067.
6. Dr Sunita Singh, Dean, Dr B.R. Ambedkar University, Delhi, AUD Kashmeri Gate Campus Lothian Road, Kashmeri Gate, Delhi – 110006.
7. Dr Kinnari Pandiya, School of Education, Azim Premji University, PES Campus, Pixel Park, B Block Electronics City, Hosur Road (Beside NICE Road) Bengaluru – 560100, India
8. Education Secretary, Goa, 18th June road, Government of Goa, School Edu. Deptt. Secretariat, Porvori-403521, Goa
9. Education Secretary, Madhya Pradesh, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Room No.305, School Education Department, Mantralaya , Vallabh Bhwan, Bhopal-462004, Madhya Pradesh.
10. Education Secretary, Haryana, Plot No. 1/B, Shiksha Sadan, Sector-5, Panchkula – 134109.
11. Education Secretary, Assam, Block-c Ground Floor, New Secretariat Building, Assam Secretariat, Dispur, Assam.
12. Education Secretary, Andhra Pradesh, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, J-Block, 3rd Floor, Room No. 312, Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Hyderabad - 500022, Andhra Pradesh.
13. Education Secretary, Uttarakhand, Department of School Education, Government Of Uttarakhand, Ramnagar, Nainital, Uttarakhand.
14. Education Secretary, West Bengal, Govt. of West Bengal School Education Department, 6th Floor Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake City, Kolkata --700091, West Bengal.
15. Education Secretary, Delhi, Education Department, Old Secretariat, New Delhi-110054.
16. Education Secretary, Jammu & Kashmir, Commissioner/Secretary to Government School Education Department, Room No-1/42, Jammu & Kashmir.
17. Ms. Rashmi Chauhan, Principal, Angel Academy Ucch Madhyamik Vidhyalaya, Luxmi Vihar Bahadrabad Haridwar Uttaranchal Haridwar Uttarakhand India 249402.

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 50th GENERAL BODY OF NCTE HELD
ON 29th SEPTEMBER 2020**

The 50th meeting of the General Body of NCTE was held online on 29th September 2020, at 11:00 am. The list of the members who attended the meeting is attached at Annexure-1.

At the outset, the Chairperson NCTE welcomed the members of the General Body of NCTE who are meeting first time after its reconstitution of the new GB. Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for discussion and the following decisions taken by the General Body.

With the permission of Chair, Shri T. Pritam Singh, Deputy Secretary, NCTE presented the Agenda before the council.

**Agenda Item No. 1 Confirmation of the Minutes and Action Taken Report of
49th General Body Meeting of NCTE held on circulation.**

S. No	Agenda Item	Action taken Report
1.	Inclusion of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh under purview of NCTE.	The agenda item was circulated among the newly constituted G.B. for consideration and its approval for ratification of the decision taken by the chairperson, NCTE.
2.	Consideration of Un-Audited Annual Accounts of NCTE for the financial year 2018-19.	Action has been taken by the Account section.
3.	Consideration of the revised Budget estimate of NCTE for the Financial year 2019-20 and budget for 2020-21	Action has been taken by the Account section.
4.	Consideration of Annual Report of NCTE for the year 2018-19	The Annual Report has already been sent to the Ministry of Education hence no action is required.

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Decision of the council-

The Minutes of the 49th Meeting of the General Body of NCTE were circulated to all the Members. The Action Taken report of the 49th General Body of NCTE was presented before the Council and the same was confirmed.

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Agenda Item No. 2 Discontinuation of Standing Committee for recommendation of application for grant of Innovative Teacher Education Programme.

Section 12 (i) of the NCTE Act 1993, refers to "*Promote and conduct innovation and research in various areas of Teacher Education and disseminate the results thereof.*" For this purpose, a Standing Committee has been constituted vide NCTE, (NCTE's Office Order No. F.No. 61-1/2013/NCTE/Acad. Dated 18th June, 2013 & 31st August, 2013)- Annexure-A & B). It is seen that this committee has recommended 47 Institutions since 2007 from across the country for granting recognition as Innovative Courses.

2. The above-mentioned committee was headed by Prof. Venita Kaul, Former Director (CECED), Ambedkar University, New Delhi who has tendered her resignation, along with Prof. K. Dorasami, member. (Annexure-C)

3. A study of Innovative Courses recommended for grant of recognition by the Standing Committee reveals that programmes under Innovative Proposal were considered mainly on the following grounds: -

- a) Innovation in terms of integration i.e. Four Years Integrated Programmes run on the pattern of Regional Colleges of NCERT. This category accounts for 41 out of 47 cases under consideration.
- b) Innovation in term of duration by increasing tenure beyond one year. (when B.Ed. was of one-year duration)
- c) Innovation in terms of Integrating Graduation and Post-Graduation Programmes.
- d) Innovation in Elementary Level Teacher Education Programme such as B.El.Ed.
- e) Innovation in terms of alteration in the nature of Internship.

4. A list of the Institutions is enclosed (Annexure-D) wherein 41 Innovative Courses were granted as integrated programmes etc. prior to Regulation, 2014. However, all these programmes became regular programmes under the 2014 Regulations.

5. Ground for recommending discontinuation of Standing Committee for recommendation of application for grant of Innovative Teacher Education Programme: Evidences available reveal that most of the 47 proposals in the name of the Innovative Courses have been covered as full-fledged recognized Teacher Education Programmes under NCTE, Notification 2014 and any later amendment. Thus, the main activity under innovative category is now subsumed in extant Regulations.

6. Accordingly, there is no need for any separate committee for this purpose. Rather all ingredients of innovativeness need to be scaled up and replicated in all TEIs, rather than in a select few.

7. In view to the above, the agenda of discontinuation of Standing Committee for recommendation of application for grant of Innovative Teacher Education Programme was placed before the Council for its consideration and to take decision as proposed.



Discussion during GB Meeting-

- 1) Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya brought to notice the scope of innovation as emphasized in NEP 2020. He suggested that Innovative Committee should be retained and the members of the committee could be changed.
- 2) Prof. Umesh Chandra Vashishath, Dr. Sunita Singh, Prof. Ajit singh Rana, Shri. Sandeep Joshi, Prof. Shashikala Wanjari and Dr. R.M. Kadu endorsed the suggestion of Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya.

Decision of the Council-

The agenda was discussed at length and it was pointed out by the Members that the innovation is a phenomena which continues in any circumstance. Therefore, the rationale given that the main activity under innovative category is now subsumed in extant Regulations is not acceptable. Therefore, the Council did not agree to discontinue the Standing Committee on Innovative programmes. However, the composition of the present Standing Committee on Innovative Course may be changed by reconstituting the Committee inducting new members. Accordingly, Chairperson, NCTE is authorised to constitute a new Standing Committee on behalf of Council.



Agenda Item No: 3 Consideration for Re-constitution of Appeal Committee.

Background

Section 18 of the NCTE Act, 1993 provides that any person or institution aggrieved by an order issued under Section 14, 15 and 17 by the Regional Committee, NCTE may prefer an Appeal to the Council. Accordingly, online Appeals are submitted to Member Secretary, NCTE in a prescribed format within 60 days of the issue of the order by the Regional Committees, along with fee of Rs. 25,000/- as specified under Rule 10 of NCTE Rules 1997.

Extract of Section 18 of the Act is at (Annexure – A).

Extract of NCTE Rules, 1997 specifying Appeals and procedures (Rules 10 and 11) is placed at (Annexure – B).

Present status

2. The Council in its 30th Meeting held on 24th May, 2013 dissolved the then Appeal Committee and requested Prof. M.A. Khader, the then Member of the Council to chair the Appeal Committee (Annexure – C). Further, as per Council's decision taken in its 31st Meeting held on 29th July, 2013, the Appeal Committee was reconstituted and strengthened with the following members vide Order dated 16th August, 2013 (Annexure – D): -

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| a) Prof. M.A. Khader, Calicut | - | Chairperson |
| b) Sh. Alok Mathur, A.P. | - | Member |
| (Chairperson in the absence of Prof. Khader) | | |
| c) Prof. Nargis Panchapakesan, New Delhi | - | Member |
| d) Sh. M. Lakshminarayana, New Delhi | - | Member |
| e) Sh. Virender Kumar, Noida | - | Member |

3. Further, consequent upon acceptance of the resignation tendered by Prof. M.A. Khader, Calicut from the position of Chairman, Appeal Committee of NCTE vide Order dated 22.3.2018, Sh. Alok Mathur, one of the members of the previous Council, is presently chairing the Appeal Committee.

4. The matter of re-constitution of the Appeal Committee was considered by the Council in its 46th (held on 28.3.2017) (Annexure – E) & 47th meetings (held on 28.3.2018) (Annexure – F).

The agenda item was approved with the observation that the Appeal Committee shall consist of one retired judge (District/Session Judge), one retired Director/Joint Secretary of Ministry of HRD and one officer not below the rank of Under Secretary from NCTE. Further, it was also decided that the decisions taken by the Appeal Committee shall be communicated by the representative of NCTE who is part of the Appeal Committee.

5. Accordingly, efforts were made to obtain the name of the retired District/Session Judge/s from the Registrar General, High Court of Delhi to constitute the Appeal Committee. However, due to some administrative constraints, the re-constitution of the



Appeal Committee could not be made. Therefore, the matter for re-constitution of the Appeal Committee needs to be re-considered by the Council.

Proposal

6. In view of the above, the matter is placed before the Council for consideration and decision to nominate the members of the Appeal Committee as follows: -

- One member of the Council as Chairperson of the Appeal Committee, to be decided by Chairperson, NCTE.
- At least one member among the nine members of the Council appointed to represent the States and the Union Territory Administrations.
- Two other members of the Council as members of the Appeal Committee.

(Secretarial Assistance to the Appeal Committee shall be provided by the Appeal Division of the NCTE)

Discussion during GB Meeting-

- 1) Prof. Shashikala Wanjari agreed and emphasized on the need to reconstitute the Appeal Committee.
- 2) Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya reiterated the need of having the presence of one member from the Regional Committee during while hearing of the appeals by Appeal Committee to ensure fair hearing to the respondent.
- 3) Dr. Dhananjay Joshi and Prof. Ajit singh Rana endorsed the proposal.

Decision of the Council-

The agenda was considered by the Council and after detailed discussions on various aspects as also the new proposal for constituting the Appeal Committee, the Council agreed with the Composition as proposed in Agenda Note.

It was suggested that representative of the concerned RCs may also be present in the Appeal Committee meetings if the circumstances so require.

The following will be the composition of the Appeal Committee: -

- One member of the Council as Chairperson of the Appeal Committee.
- At least one member among the nine members of the Council appointed to represent the States and the Union Territory Administrations.
- Two other members of the Council as members of the Appeal Committee.

(Secretarial Assistance to the Appeal Committee shall be provided by the Appeal Division of the NCTE)

The Council authorised the Chairperson, NCTE to constitute the Appeal Committee, as per the above composition.



Agenda Item No. 4: Consideration of Annual Report of NCTE for the year 2019-20

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 to appear before the Parliamentary Committee on Papers laid on Table and to give their explanation of the reasons due to which the Annual Report could not be placed before both House of the Parliament in time.

3. The Annual Report of NCTE for the year 2019-2020 has been prepared and printed version of the Annual Report in Hindi and English is placed before the Council for approval so that the Annual Report 2019-2020 can be sent to the Ministry for onward transmission for placing before the table of both Houses in the Parliament. (Copy attached-Hindi and English Versions).

Decision of the Council-

The Annual Report of NCTE for the Year 2019-2020 was approved.



Agenda Item No. 5: Ratification of relaxation granted under Clause 12 of NCTE, Regulations, 2014 by the Chairperson, NCTE, New Delhi.

The Chairperson, NCTE in exercise the powers vested under clause 12 of NCTE Regulations, 2014 has granted relaxation in the following 2 cases namely: -

- A. Kinag Nongbah Government College, Jowai, Meghalaya.**
- B. DIET, Bijapur, Dantewada, Chattisgarh.**

(A) The Government of Meghalaya vide their D.O. NO. EDN/20/2001/PT/248 dated 17/02/2020 drew the attention of the Chairperson NCTE about delayed submission the hard copy of online application of "KinagNongbah Government College, Jowai, Meghalaya" for seeking recognition of 4 Year ITEP programme the requested to grant relaxation under clause 12 of NCTE Regulations, 2014 for accept the application for further processing. The matter has been examined in NCTE and it was decided to relax the provision contained under Clause 7 (2)(b) of NCTE, Regulations, 2014. The Chairperson, NCTE in exercise the powers vested under clause 12 of NCTE Regulations, 2014 (Power to Relax) relaxed the said provision and decided to accept the delayed receipt of the hard copy of the printout and other Annexures of the online application of KinagNongbah Government College, Jowai, Meghalaya. The letter No. NCTE-Regl011/23/2020-US (Regulation)-HQ dated 16/03/2020 was issued to the Regional Director, ERC, NCTE, Bhubaneswar in this regard. The copy of the same is attached with the agenda at Annexure-1.

The above relaxation was subject to the following conditions: -

- i) This relaxation is applicable only to the ITEP Application of Kiang Nongbah Government College, Jowai, Meghalaya.
 - ii) This relaxation shall not be treated as a precedent.
 - iii) This relaxation is applicable only regarding the time limit of 15 days as mentioned in the clause 7 (2) (b) of NCTE, Regulations, 2014. The other terms and conditions mentioned in the NCTE Act, 1993 and NCTE, Regulations shall not change and remain applicable as usual.
- (B) Letter No. RC/APP201660155/D.El.Ed./2020/208721 dated 29/07/2020 regarding condonation of delay in submission of hard copy of the application submitted by DIET, Bijapur, Dantewada, Chattisgarh was received from WRC, NCTE and it has been observed that the institution had applied on 01.06.2016 for D.El.Ed. Course, but the hard copy of the application was not submitted in time as per NCTE Regulations, 2014. The matter was considered by WRC in its 272nd meeting whereby the committee took note of reasons of delay in submission of hard copy and decided that the facts pertaining to this case be sent to the Chairman NCTE for according to permission to process the case. The matter has been examined and it was decided to relax the provision contained under clause 7 (2) (b) of NCTE, Regulations, 2014. The Chairperson, NCTE in exercise of the powers vested under Clause 12 of the NCTE, Regulations, 2014 relaxed the said provision and decided to accept the delayed receipt of the hard copy of the printout and other annexures of the online submitted application by DIET, Bijapur, Dantewada, Chhattisgarh. The letter dated 23/09/2020 was issued to the Regional



Director, ERC, NCTE, Bhubaneswar in this regard. The copy of the same is attached with the agenda at Annexure 2.

The above relaxation was subject to the following conditions: -

- i) This relaxation is applicable only to D.El.Ed. application of DIET, Bijapur, Dantewada, Chhattisgarh.
- ii) This relaxation shall not be treated as a precedent.
- iii) This relaxation is applicable only regarding the time limit of 15 days as mentioned in the clause 7 (2) (b) of NCTE, Regulations, 2014. The other terms and conditions mentioned in the NCTE Act, 1993 and NCTE, Regulations shall not change and remain applicable as usual.

The above 2 both cases have been considered by the Chairperson, NCTE in exercise the powers vested under clause 12 of NCTE, Regulations, 2014 and accorded the relaxation subject to its ratification by the Council. Hence, both proposal is placed before the Council for necessary ratification.

Decision of the Council-

The Council ratified the action taken by Chairperson, NCTE under clause 12 of NCTE Regulations 2014 in granting relaxation to the two colleges namely (1) KinagNongbah Government College, Jowai, Meghalaya (2) DIET, Bijapur, Dantewada, Chhattisgarh.



Agenda Item No. 6: Consideration of the issue related to minimum qualification for appointment as Assistant Professor and reduction of No. of posts in existing teacher education institutions recognised by NCTE.

Ever since the Notification No. 51-1/2015/NCTE (N&S) dated 29th May, 2017 published in Gazette of India No. 237 dated 9.6.2017 making it mandatory for NET/Ph.D. qualification for teacher educator, NCTE has received many representations to relax this criteria basically due to the following reasons: -

- (i) NET/SLET/Ph.D. qualified persons in education are much less in number than the actual strength required in all TEIs.
- (ii) The prescription of faculty on a unit size of 100 students at 16 is considered abnormally high and even unjustified.

Keeping in view the above reasons a decision was taken in the 48th General Body Meeting as under: -

“The matter was discussed at length regarding prescription of qualification of NET/SLET/Ph.D for appointment as Assistant Professor in TEIs. The agenda was approved with the following observations:

1. The NET/SLET/Ph.D of the Assistant Professor can be either in the pedagogy subject or in Education. Thus this relaxation is available only for Teacher Educators engaged to teach pedagogy of subjects.
2. For the Teacher Educators who teach perspectives of Education and other core Education topics, the NET/SLET/Ph.D. shall continue to be in Education.”

Also, it is felt that the overall number of faculty needs to be reduced. This has to be done urgently to check malpractices whereby TEIs artificially show the required number of teacher educators through resorting to falsification of documents.

It is urgently needed to reduce the number of faculty required, and also decide on whether some faculty should be part time as opposed to full time and finally which kind of faculty can be exempted from the requirement of NET/SLET/Ph.D.

For this purpose, a Committee of the following Members are proposed: -

- (i) Prof. Anil Shukla, Vice Chancellor, Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Rohilkhand University, Bareilly. (Chair)
- (ii) Prof. Shashikala Wanjari, Vice Chancellor, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai
- (iii) Dr. Kinnari Pandya, School of Education, Azim Premji University, Bangalore.
- (iv) Prof. P.K. Joshi, Department of Education, Hemant Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University
- (v) Prof. Dhananjay Joshi, Dean, Department of Education, Guru Govind Singh Indraprastha University, Delhi



The Terms of Reference (TOR) of the Committee shall be as under: -

- (i) Prescribing the minimum faculty required for D.El.Ed., B.Ed. & M.Ed. programmes.
- (ii) Minimum qualification for each category of faculty within these programmes.
- (iii) Whether some faculty can be part time for e.g., Art (Visual & Performing), Physical Education, etc.
- (iv) Whether a permanent or part time faculty for ICT is required. If so what should be minimum qualification for such person.
- (v) Clearly defined formula for sharing of faculties across the teacher education courses.

The report of the Committee may be adopted for altering the existing qualification and number of faculty prescribed for each of the above courses.

The Committee may submit its report within 45 days of issue of the order.

The report of the Committee will be placed before next General Body meeting for information.

Discussion during GB Meeting-

- 1) Prof. Ajitsingh Rana expressed his concern that as per NEP 2020 there is a need to reframe it in consultation with various stakeholders and maintaining standards, for appointment as assistant professor with institutions other than TEIs.
- 2) Dr. Dhananjay Joshi supported the suggestions given by Prof. Ajitsingh Rana and also suggested that it is difficult to attain 55% in MA course than 55% in professional course (M.Ed.). Therefore, in this regard some relaxation may be given in minimum percentage for applicants from MA discipline.
- 3) Dr. R.M. Kadu emphasized that there is shortage of faculty at Government TEIs at times. Therefore, in this regard provision may be made for part-time faculty.

Decision of the Council-

The Committee discussed the agenda in detail. Since NEP recommends three types of teacher education courses, namely 4 Year Integrated Teacher Education Programme, 2 Year B.Ed. and 1 Year B.Ed.; in light of this, it was perceived that the qualification as were prescribed in the Regulations, 2014 and the number of faculty as was required at that point of time would not have relevance. Therefore, after due deliberations, the agenda item was dropped.



Agenda Item No. 7: Consideration of the Issue related to extension of Validity of Teacher Eligibility Test from Seven years to Lifetime.

NCTE vide letter dated 11.02.2011 (Copy annexed) issued Teacher Eligibility Guidelines for conducting Teacher Eligibility Test. In these guidelines under point No. the validity of the TET has been fixed for seven years from the date of passing the TET. NCTE has been receiving representation from different quarters. Therefore, it has been decided to amend the extant Guidelines of TET extending their validity from Seven years to lifetime. This means that a candidate once qualifies the TET, the certificate so awarded him/her remain valid for life time for the purpose of employment as a school-teacher.

The Council may consider the proposal and confer its decision/ direction in this regard.

Discussion during GB Meeting-

- 1) Dr. K.K. Shine approved the agenda.
- 2) Prof. P.K. Joshi stated that the extension of the timeline should be from prospective effect. Also, TET being an eligibility criterion should not be accounted for merit in appointment of teachers. TET should be extended to all levels of school system.
- 3) Shri Sandeep Joshi suggested that some GB Members may be selected in various committees formed for the implementation of NEP 2020. Shri Jobi Balakrishnan endorsed the suggestions of Shri Joshi.
- 4) Prof. Ajitsingh Rana suggested to include TET marks while framing merit in appointment of teachers in schools.
- 5) Dr. Dhananjay Joshi stated that legal opinion was essential as this would have all India ramifications.

Decision of the Council-

The Council considered the agenda item and approved the validity of TET certificate changing it from 7 years to the life time. This provision would have prospective effect and for those have already passed out (already having TET certificate), NCTE would take legal opinion and will act accordingly.



Agenda Item No. 8: Consideration of the issue related to revision of the Norms and Standards of the existing 3 years Integrated B.Ed. - M.Ed. degree course for appearing in TET and employment as School teacher.

NCTE vide notification dated 01.12.2014 under Appendix 15 issued Norms and Standards for three-year integrated B.Ed. M.Ed. programme. The preamble of this programme specifies that it is intended to prepare curriculum planners, administrators, principals, Supervisors, researchers, teacher educator etc. however this programme is not meant for a person who can appear in TET thereafter become schoolteacher. NCTE has been receiving VIP references from State of Orissa in particular and some other parts in general requesting to consider the amendment in the preamble and in could school teachers as one of the client of this programme. In the meanwhile, Ministry of Education has also referred the issue to NCTE for suitable amendment enabling the product of this programme to be eligible for appearing in TET and become school teacher.

NCTE has constituted a committee vide order dated 22.09.2020 as one of the terms of reference for consideration of this qualification as a school teacher. (Copy of the Committee Constituted is enclosed)

The agenda is placed before council for consideration and its approvable to the extend that once the report is submitted, the Chairperson, NCTE will take the decision to notify the amended Norms /Standards for this course.

Discussion during GB Meeting-

- 1) Prof. Shashikala Wanjari pointed out that the report submitted by the said committee may be circulated to all GB Members and then will be decided accordingly.
- 2) Dr. R.M. Kadu and Prof. Rana suggested to organize a separate meeting for discussion on this agenda item.

Decision of the Council-

The agenda was discussed in details and it was decided to constitute a Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Vandana Saxena, CIE, Delhi. The Committee will submit its report by 9.10.2020. The report so submitted would be made available to all the members of the Council through circulation for their perusal.



Agenda Item No- 9: Audited Annual Accounts of NCTE for the FY 2019-20

The Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2019-20 were finalized and approved by the Finance Committee in the month of September 2020. Now before conducting CAG Audit for the Financial Year 2019-20 same is placed for approval of the Council.

The Council may Consider and accord its approval for the same.

Discussion during GB Meeting-

- 1) Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya raised the issue of bifurcation of Seminar and Miscellaneous expenditure as available in Annual Accounts.

Decision of the Council-

The Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 2019-20 have been first passed by the Finance Committee and same have been placed before the Council for approval before conducting CAG Audit. The same were approved by the Council.



The Council also discussed the following issues besides the circulated Agenda: -

1. It was decided that NCTE will create a WhatsApp group for members of the General body of NCTE, which will enable them to interact/communicate among themselves for any suggestion, change and information as required from time to time.
2. It was decided that the Council Members will discuss among themselves and come out with some concrete Suggestions for the improvement of teacher education sector enabling NCTE to implement in light of NEP 2020.
3. The issue relating to qualification of Aanganwadi workers were also discussed. Members are requested to provide some more details in this regard to enable the NCTE to frame guidelines in accordance with NCTE Regulations.
4. Dr. Dhananjay Joshi emphasized that there is an urgent need to stop mushrooming of TEIs and commercialization of Teacher Education Sector.
5. Dr. R.M. Kadu pointed out that in lack of monitoring mechanism at NCTE. One teacher teaches in many TEIs and there is no proper mechanism for monitoring. To avoid it the digitalization of the staff records needs to be done. He also questioned on the reliability of staff data submitted by TEIs in their respective Performance Appraisal Report.
6. Prof. Ajit singh Rana mentioned that M.Ed. ODL programmes may be restarted by NCTE. Also, the intake capacity for B.Ed. ODL programmes may be increased. He pointed out that former WRC GB members should not attend the RC meetings. He also raised the issue regarding use of NCTE logo on several social media platforms which should be addressed.
7. Shri Sandeep Joshi stated measures regarding monitoring of TEIs and organizing quarterly online GB Meetings.
8. Dr. Kinnari Pandiya requested for conducting short online training programme for Anganwadi Workers.
9. Director Secondary Education Andhra Pradesh, informed the issue of 108 D.El.Ed. Colleges running without the approval of State Govt.



Annexure-1

List of the Participants who attended the Meeting of the Council held on 29th September 2020 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A.M through Virtual Mode

1. Dr. Vineet Joshi, Chairperson, National Council for Teacher Education, Dwarka, Sector — 10, New Delhi — 110075.
2. Dr. Joseph Emmanuel, Director Academic, Central Board of Secondary Education, Preet Vihar, New Delhi-110092.
3. Dr. Ravindra Mahadeorao Kadu, Chairperson, WRC, Mudholkar Peth, Amrawati —444601, MH.
4. Dr. Banwari Lai Natiya, Principal (Retd.), Chairperson, Northern Regional Committee, D A-20, Kumawat Colony, Road No. 2, Khatipura Road, Jhotwara, Jaipur — 302012, (Rajasthan)
5. Dr. K.K Shine Chairperson, Southern Regional Committee, Head of Deptt. of Education, Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (D.U.) Guruvayoor Campus — 680551, Kerala.
6. Prof. P.K Joshi Director, Faculty Development Centre, Department of Education, Birla Campus, Srinagar Garhwal — 246174, Uttarkhand.
7. Dr. Dhananjay Joshi, Dean, Department of Education, Guru Govind Singh Indraprastha University, Block C, Room No. CC- 403, Sector 16C, Dwarka New Delhi — 110078
8. Prof. Shashikala Wanjari, Vice-Chancellor, SNDT Women's University 1, Nathibai Thackersey Road, Mumbai 400020
9. Dr. Ashok Pandey, Former Principal, Mayur Vihar, Phase 1, Chatan Jain Marg, Opp. Una Enclave, New Delhi — 110091.
10. Dr. Sunita Singh, Dean, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, AUD Kashmeri Gate Campus Lothian Road, Kashmeri Gate, Delhi — 110006.
11. Dr. Kinnari Pandiya, School of Education, Azim Premji University, PES Campus, Pixel Park, B. Block, Electronics City, Hosur Road, Bengaluru — 560100.
12. Prof. (Retd) Umesh Chandra Vashishatha, Former Dean, Department of Education, University of Lucknow, UP.
13. Shri Sambharant Sharma, Executive-Member, Sri Aurobindo Society, New Delhi.
14. Shri Subodh Tiwari, CEO, Kavalyadham, Yoga Institute, Swami Kuvalyananda Lonavala, Pune — 410403 ME
15. Shri Sandeep Joshi, Aadarsh Government Higher Secondary School, Rewat, Jalore —343001, Rajasthan.
16. Ms. Shashi Banerji, Principal Shiv Nadar School, Plot No -SS- 1, Noida - Greater Noida Expressway, Sector 168 Noida, Uttar Pradesh
17. Prof. Ajit Singh Rana, School of Education, Dr Baba Saheb Ambedkar Open University, Jyotirmay Parisar, Sarkhej- Gandhinagar Highway, Chharodi, opp. Shri Balaji Temple, Ahmedabad, Gujarat -382481.



18. Director, Education Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, J- Block, 3rd Floor, Room No. 312, Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh 500022.
19. Ms. Rashmi Chauhan, Principal, Angel Academy Ucch Madhyamik Vidhyalaya, Laxmi Vihar Bahadradbad Haridwar, Uttarakhand, 249402.
20. Shri Jobi Balakrishanan, Primary School Teacher, Government Junior Primary School, Mulli, Attappadi, Kerala

Officers from NCTE

Sh. T. Pritam Singh, Deputy Secretary, NCTE, Dwarka, Sector -10, New Delhi.

Dr. S. K. Chatham, Research Officer, NCTE, Dwarka, Sector -10, New Delhi.



List of the Participants who could not attend the Meeting of the Council held on 29th September 2020 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A.M. through Virtual Mode

1. Vice-Chairperson (**Vacant**), National Council for Teacher Education, Dwarka, Sector - 10, New Delhi - 110075.
2. Member Secretary, (**Vacant**), National Council for Teacher Education, Dwarka, Sector -10, New Delhi - 110075.
3. Secretary, Department of School Education and Literacy, 124-C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi -110001.
4. Prof. D.P. Singh, Chairman, University Grants Commission (UGC), Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002.
5. Prof. H.K. Senapati, Director, National Council for Educational Research and Training, New Delhi - 110016.
6. Prof. N. V. Varghese, Director, National Institute of Education Planning and Administration, 17B, Sri Aurobindo Marg New Delhi - 110016.
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10. Dr. Kshiti Bhusan Das, Chairperson, NCTE-ERC, Bhubaneswar - 751015, Odisha.
11. Prof. Anil Shukla, Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Rohilkhand University, Bareilly, Residential Address: 7- A Professor's Banglow, Lucknow University Campus, Badshahbagh, Lucknow-226007, UP.
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13. Ms. Rashmi Arun Shami, Principal Secretary, Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Room No.305, School Education Department, Mantralaya, Vallabh Bhawan Bhopal-462004, Madhya Pradesh.
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15. Education Secretary, Government of Assam, Block-c Ground Floor, New Secretariat Building, Assam Secretariat, Dispur, Assam.
16. Education Secretary, Government of Uttarakhand, Department of School Education, Government of Uttarakhand, Ramnagar, Nainital, Uttarakhand.
17. Education Secretary, Govt. of West Bengal School Education Department, 6th Floor Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake City, Kolkata --700091, West Bengal.
18. Secretary (Education), Education Department, Govt of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, New Delhi-110054.
19. Commissioner/Secretary to Government, Government of Jammu & Kashmir, School Education Department Room No-1/42, Jammu & Kashmir.
20. Shri Raj Kumar Sharma, Principal, Geeta Bal Bharti Senior Secondary School, Rajgarh Colony, Delhi -110031.

