

MINUTES OF THE AGENDA ITEMS CIRCULATED TO THE GENERAL BODY MEMBERS ON 23.12.2020

Due to Covid-19 Pandemic situation, the physical meeting of General Body of NCTE could not be convened. Hence, the following 4 agenda items which were of utmost urgency were circulated vide email dated 23rd December 2020, to all the General Body members seeking their approval. The list of agenda items circulated are as follow:

i. Agenda Item No. 1: Instituting Best Teacher Educator Award

ii. Agenda Item No. 2: Consideration of the issue related to revision of norms and standards for the existing 3 Year Integrated B.Ed. M.Ed. degree course for appearing in TET and employment as school teachers

iii. Agenda Item No. 3: Nomination of General Body members to Regional Committees

iv. Agenda Item No. 4: Waiving off the Registration Fee charged for Online Teacher Pupil Registration Management System (OTPRMS)

2. It was requested in the letter that the members may put a tick mark and send their approval in case of agenda items 1,2 and 4. In case agenda item no. 3 the General Body of NCTE was to nominate one member to each Regional Committee. Out of 19 replies received till date (annexure attached) in this regard 18 NCTE General Body members have approved / confirmed all the agenda items. One member has approved 3 agenda items except agenda item no. 4. This number is comfortably more than the quorum required of 1/3rd of total strength of NCTE GB members.

3. The Agenda items, and the decision against each of them has been recorded as under:

Agenda Item No. 1 Best Teacher Educator Award - Streamline and Transform the Ecosystem of all the Awards at National Level.

There has been no system of awarding teacher educators by any organization or State prior to Institution of the Best Teacher Award by NCTE in 2019. There have been 20 number of the National Level awards as approved in General Body of NCTE through an online/IT enabled transparent system.

2. For the first, Best Teachers Educators Award 2019 has been conferred to 14 number of Teacher Educators across the country for their finest contributions, merit, and efficiency in the field of Teacher Education.

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- 3. NCTE has been in receipt of a communication from Ministry of Home Affairs (through Ministry of Education) vide letter No.F.1-79/2020-NET dated 29.10.2020 informing therein to Streamline and transform the ecosystem of all the awards in department of School Education and Literacy. Therefore, the number of awards to be streamlined/reduced from their present number.
- 4. As per the Section 29 of the NCTE Act 1993, the NCTE is bound to go by the directions of the Central Government. The section 29 states as follows-
 - "29. Directions by the Central Government-
 - (1) The council shall, in the discharge of its functions and duties under this Act be bound by such directions on questions of policies as the Central Government may give in writing to it from time to time.
 - (2) The decision of the Central Government as to whether a question is one of policy or not shall be final"
- 5. A communication to this regard has been sent to Ministry of Education on reduction of the numbers of awards from 20 to 08 (02 for each region) subject to confirming the same in the forthcoming General Body.
- 6. Accordingly, the proposal for reduction of the numbers of awards from 20 to 08 (02 for each region) needs confirmation of General Body meeting which is time taking and the process of inviting online application for Teacher Educators Award 2020 may get effected following excess delay. Therefore, it has been decided that the General Body approval on circulation may be obtained to avoid the delay in inviting online applications for the year 2020.
- 7. In view of above, it is proposed to reduce the total numbers of Annual Award from 20 to 08 (02 for each Region). Each award shall carry a cash of Rs 25,000/- (Rs. Twenty- Five Thousand) only with a citation. These awards will be decided by a Jury comprising eminent educationist from entries received following an IT enable transparent system.
- 8. The Council may consider the issue and accord its approval to this Agenda Item ticking at appropriate box.

Decision of the Council

The agenda item was approved as proposed.

Agenda Item No. 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 school teacher.

This matter was discussed in detail in the 50th Meeting of Council (NCTE) and it was decided to constitute a Committee under the Chairperson of Prof. Vandana Saxena, CIE, Delhi. The GB decided that the Committee would submit its report by 09.10.2020. The report so submitted would be made available to all members of the Council through circulation for their perusal. The Council also authorised the Chairperson, NCTE to get notified, the revised Norms and Standards, which would be ratified by the Council in the next meeting.

- 2. As per the decision of the council, the committee under the chairperson of Prof. Vandna Saxena, CIE, Delhi was constituted. The Terms of reference (ToRs) of the committee were as under:
 - (i) To examine the issue relating to 3 years B.Ed. M.Ed. Integrated programme qualification for appointment as a teacher in schools.
 - (ii) To Consider the integrated B.Ed.- M.Ed. programme as one of the minimum qualifications for appointment as a teacher in primary (class I to V)/ Secondary and Senior Secondary (Class VI to XIII).
 - (iii) To examine the norms and standard of B.Ed.- M.Ed. programme (Appendix-15) to be considered as one of minimum qualifications for a teacher to be appointed as a teacher in the school.
 - (iv) To review the B.Ed.- M.Ed. programme in consonance with the NCTE suggested curriculum.
- 3. The final draft report was submitted, and the Committee gave the following recommendations:

Recommendation 01

The 3-years Integrated B.Ed., M.Ed. programme is technically equivalent to the B.Ed. programme recognized by NCTE. It is, therefore, strongly recommended that the 3-years Integrated B.Ed., M.Ed. programmed be included among the qualifications for school teachers at Primary (Class I to V), Upper Primary (VI to VIII) Secondary (Class IX and X) and Senior Secondary (Classes (XI to XII) school levels. They will be subject to the regulation notified by NCTE from time to time and as per the respective State rules.

Recommendation 02

The committee recommended that suitable amendments be made both in the preamble of Appendix – 15 of the Notification of NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedures) Regulation – 2014 as well as in the Notification for minimum qualifications for candidate to be recruited as Primary (Class I to V), Upper Primary (VI to VIII) Secondary (Class IX and X) and Senior Secondary (Classes (XI to XII) school levels. They will be subject to the regulation notified by NCTE from time to time, and as per the respective State rules.



Recommendation 03

It is recommended that the 3-years Integrated B.Ed.-M.Ed. programme be added as a qualification, along with other NCTE recognised teacher preparation programmes, for all the examinations and competitions leading to various educational and professional opportunities.

Recommendation 04

The Committee recommended that the statement of marks for the 3-years Integrated B.Ed.- M.Ed. programme may mention the title and credits for each of the courses.

Accordingly, in view of the above the Norms and Standards of the existing 3-years Integrated B.Ed. – M.Ed. degree course may be considered and approved by the General Body.

Decision of the Council

The agenda item was approved as proposed.

Agenda Item No. 3 Nomination of General Body members to Regional Committees.

As per the provisions contained under section 20(1) of NCTE Act, 1993, all the four Regional Committees of NCTE were re-constituted vide notification dated 14th February 2019.

- 2. As per Section 20 (3) (a) of the NCTE Act, the Regional Committee shall consist a member, nominated by the Council.
- 3. Accordingly, the matter is submitted to the Council for nominating one member each in all four Regional Committee(s) of NCTE. The Council may suggest four names of Council members with their nomination to one for each RC namely ERC, WRC, NRC and SRC.

Decision of the Council

All 19 members of the Council have authorized the Chairperson NCTE to nominate one GB member to each RC namely ERC, WRC, NRC and SRC.

Agenda Item No. 4 Waiving off the Registration Fee charged for Online Teacher Pupil Registration Management System (OTPRMS).

As per the decision of the General Body taken by in its meeting held on 05.02.2019 to issue digital secure Certificate to the prospective teachers at a nominal fee of Rs. 200/- per certificate. The Competent Authority has decided to waive off nominal fee from prospective teachers with effect from its official notification.

Accordingly, the agenda is put for consideration by the Council for its approval (Copy Attached).

Decision of the Council

The agenda item was approved as proposed.

Annexure-1

List of GB members who have sent their approval till date

- 1. Dr. Vineet Joshi, IAS, Chairperson, NCTE
- 2. Ms. Kesang Yangzom Sherpa, IRS, Member Secretary, NCTE
- 3. Prof. N.V. Varghese, Director, NIEPA
- 4. Sh. Manoj Ahuja (IAS), Chairman, CBSE
- 5. Prof. Rajive Kumar, Member Secretary, AICTE
- 6. Dr. Ravindra Mahadeorao Kadu, Chairperson, WRC, NCTE
- 7. Dr. Banwari Lal Natiya, Chairperson, NRC, NCTE
- 8. Dr. K. K. Shine, Chairperson, SRC, NCTE
- 9. Dr. Dhananjay Joshi, Dean, GGSIU, Dwarka, New Delhi
- 10. Prof. Anil Shukla, Vice-Chancellor, MJPR, University, Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh
- 11. Prof. Shashikala Wanjari, Vice-Chancellor, SNDT University, Mumbai
- 12. Dr. Ashok Pandey, Former Principal, Alhcon School, New Delhi
- 13. Dr Sunita Singh, Dean, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Delhi
- 14. Dr Kinnari Pandiya, Azim Premji University, Bengaluru
- 15. Shri Sambharant Sharma, Executive-Member, Sri Aurobindo Society, New Delhi
- 16. Shri Subodh Tiwari, CEO, Kaivalyadham, Lonavala, Pune * (Except Agenda item No. 4)
- 17. Prof. Ajitsinh Rana, Dr. Baba Sahab Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad
- 18. Shri Raj Kumar Sharma, Principal, Geeta Bal Bharti Senior Secondary School, Krishnanagar, Delhi
- 19. Ms. Rashmi Chauhan, Principal, Angel Academy Ucch Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Uttarakhand

Annexure- 2

List of GB members who have not given any response regarding the agenda items yet

- 1. The Vice Chairman, NCTE, Vacant
- 2. Smt. Anita Karwal, IAS, Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy, MoE, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
- 3. Shri D.P. Singh, Chairman, UGC, New Delhi
- 4. Prof. H. K. Senapati, Director, NCERT, New delhi
- 5. Adviser (School Education), Planning Commission, Yojana Bhawan, New Delhi
- 6. Smt. Darshana M. Dabral, JS & FA, MoE, Shastri Bhwan, New Delhi
- 7. Dr. Kshiti Bhusan Das, Chairperson, ERC, NCTE
- 8. Prof. P.K. Joshi, Director, Faculty Development Centre, Garhwal, Uttarakhand
- 9. Prof. Umesh Chandra Vashishath, Former Dean, University of Lucknow, U.P.
- 10. Shri Sandeep Joshi, Adarsh Govt. Higher Secondary School, Jalore, Rajasthan
- 11. Ms. Shashi Banarji, Principal, Shiv Nadar School, Noida, U.P.
- 12. Ms. Nila Mohanan IAS, Education Secretary, Goa
- 13. Ms. Rashmi Arun Shami, Principal Secretary, M.P.
- 14. Education Secretary, Haryana
- 15. Shri Preetom Saikia, Education Secretary, Assam
- 16. Shri Aditya Nath Das, Principal Secretary, Andhra Pradesh
- 17. Education Secretary, Uttrakhand
- 18. Shri R.S. Shukla, Additional Chief Secretary West Bengal
- 19. Ms. Manisha Saxena, Education Secretary, Delhi
- 20. Mr. Hirdesh Kumar, IAS, Education Secretary, J&K
- 21. Shri Jobi Balakrishanan, Govt. Junior Primary School, Kerala

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