Agenda Item No. 12  Minimum qualification for appointment as Assistant Professor in TEIs

To bring the qualification of appointment of Assistant Professor in teacher education institutions at par with UGC norms, the qualification of NET was made mandatory as per the decision of the General Body of NCTE in its 45th Meeting held on 26th November 2015. However, it has been our experience that NET / SLET qualified faculty are not available in the numbers required to service the entire Teacher Education sector.

2. Accordingly, it may be discussed within the General Body whether such qualification should be continued, or it should be done away with. However, it is also desirable to keep in mind that UGC vide Notification dated 19th July 2018 has further enriched the qualifications for appointment as Assistant Professors wherein it has been stipulated that The Ph.D. Degree shall be a mandatory qualification for direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Professor in Universities with effect from 01.07.2021 and will be insisting on Ph.D in the near future.

3. The Council may like to deliberate and decide appropriately.

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DECISION OF THE COUNCIL:

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.