



FEES REGULATING AUTHORITY

Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions
(Regulation of Admissions and Fees)

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Minutes of Meeting of Authority

Dt. 01/03/2023

The Meeting of the Fees Regulating Authority (constituted under section 11(2)(3)(4) of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015 held on **1st March 2023** in the Conference Hall, Room No. 305, Government Polytechnic Building, 49 Kherwadi, Ali Yawar Jung Marg, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400 051.

The following were present/absent:

1.	Hon'ble Justice V. L. Achliya (Retd.), Chairperson of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
2.	Dr. Vijay Vasant Khole, Ex-Vice Chancellor, Mumbai University, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
3.	Shri. Manoj Damodar Chandak, Chartered Accountant, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
4.	Shri. Ratnakar (Shirish) Phadtare, Cost Accountant, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
5.	Shri. Dharmendra Dilip Mishra, Professional Educationist, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
6.	Registrar, Maharashtra University of Health Science, Nashik, Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Presence is dispensed for a day.
7.	Director, Directorate of Technical Education, Mumbai, Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Absent.
8.	Director, Directorate of Higher Education, Pune, Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Absent.
9.	Member Secretary of Maharashtra Council of Agricultural Education of Research, Pune, Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Presence is dispensed for a day.
10.	Shri. L. S. Mali, I.A.S., Secretary of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.

PART- I

Item No.1: To consider the letters of request received from the Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions/Colleges seeking extension of the time limit & to open the link to submit the online proposal for approval of fees (Upward Revision of fees) or intimation to opt for No Upward Revision of fees for the academic year 2022-2023.

"Discussed.

Shri. Swami Vivekananda Sanstha's Institute of Pharmacy, Nashik (Code No. PH5286) running the B.Pharmacy course has requested the Authority vide letter dated 30/01/2023 to open link to submit online proposal or approval of fees for the academic year 2022-2023. It is stated that due to some technical issue the institute could not submit the proposal within the period prescribed.

Considering the cause assigned it was decided to allow the Institute to submit the proposal subject to the penalty of Rs. 1,00,000/- per course. The payment of the penalty shall be condition precedent to entertain and process the proposal.

The link be made open to Institute/College w.e.f. 10/03/2023 and same shall be kept open till 31/03/2023 for submission of proposal.

The Institutes mentioned below has sent letters to open the link to exercise the option to go for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2022-2023.

Sr. No.	Code	Institute Name
1.	PH2603	Mangaldeep Institute of Pharmacy, Aurangabad
2.	PH5479	Ashwin College of Pharmacy, Ahmednagar.
3.	PH6827	Mahadevrao Wandre Institute of Technology, Kolhapur.
4.	BSCA11206	Navalbhou College of Agriculture, Jalgaon.
5.	LLB3041	Mukul Wasnik College of Law, Buldhana

Considering the cause assigned for delay the link be made open to the above-mentioned Institutes subject to the penalty of Rs. 5,000/- per

course to record the option of No Upward Revision of fees for the academic year 2022-2023.

The Link be made open w.e.f 10/3/2023 and same shall be kept open till 31/3/2023 to enable the Institute to exercise the option to record its option to go for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2022-2023.

Inform to all concerned".

Item No.2: To consider the letters of request received from the Unaided Private Professional Institutions/Colleges seeking extension of the time limit to submit the online proposal for approval of fees or to record the option to opt for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2023-2024.

"Discussed.

The Institutes mentioned below have sent letters with requests to open the link to enable them to submit the proposal for upward revision of fees or to record the option to go for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2023-2024.

Sr. No.	Code	Institute Name
1	BDS0026	Dr. Rajesh R. Kambe Dental College & Hospital, Akola.
2	BSCA11260	Shri. Sevakbhau Waghaye Patil College Of Agriculture, Tal. Lakhani.
3	BSCN0013	The Yash Foundation's College of Nursing & Medical Research Institute, Ratnagiri.
4	PT06280	Vasantprabha College of Physiotherapy, Buldhana.
5	LLB3041	Mukul Wasnik College of Law, Buldhana.
6	PH3501	Siddhi's Institute of Pharmacy, Thane
7	EN3423	Shree L. R. Tiwari College of Engineering, Thane
8	EN6144	Genba Sopanrao Moze College Of Engineering, Pune
9	PH1164	Shri Swami Samarth Inst. Of Pharmacy, Amravati.
10	LLB326821005	C. D. Deshmukh College of Law, Ahmadnagar.

Sr. No.	Code	Institute Name
11	BSCN1052	Shri Dhaneshwari Nursing College, Aurangabad
12	PH2577	Dayananad Institute of Pharmacy, Latur.
13	PH2603	Mangaldeep Institute of Pharmacy, Aurangabad
14	AR6896	Shri Shivaji Maratha Society's College of Architecture, Pune.
15	EN6319	S.B. Patil College of Engineering, Pune.
16	PH5462	DSP's College of Pharmacy, A. Nagar.
17	PH6257	Rajgad Dnyanpeeth College of Pharmacy, Pune.
18	BSCN09238	Mahatma Phule Institute of Nursing, Akola.
19	—	HRSPM'S Sarsenapati Hambirrao Mohite Law College, Pune

The Authority has opened the link for submission of proposal w.e.f. 06/10/2022 and the link was kept open till 31/10/2022 to enable the Institutes to submit the online proposal and/or to explore the option for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2023-2024. Thereafter, the period was extended till 15/12/2022. Thereafter, the period was extended upto 31/01/2023 to submit the online proposal seeking upward revision of fees as well as to explore the option to go for no upward revision subject to the penalty of Rs. 50,000/- per course for submitting proposal for upward revision of fees and penalty of Rs. 5,000/- per course to record option of no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2023-2024. In spite of giving repeated opportunities, the above-mentioned Institutes/ Colleges failed to submit the proposal within the period prescribed as well as the period extended by the Authority.

Considering the cause assigned, it was decided to offer a last opportunity to above-mentioned Institutes to submit the online proposal for upward revision of fees subject to the penalty of Rs. 1,00,000/- per course and/or to record the option to go for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2023-2024 subject to the penalty of Rs. 5,000 per course.



The link be made open w.e.f. 10/03/2023 and the same shall be kept open till 31/03/2023 for submission of proposal for upward revision of fees as well as to record option to go for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2023-2024".

Item No.3: To consider the letters of request from Unaided Institutions mentioned in the list annexure'A' seeking approval of fees of Technical Diploma courses run by them for the academic year 2022-2023 by opening the link to enable them to submit the proposal.

"Discussed.

The Technical Diploma courses (Diploma in Engineering and Technology (Polytechnic), Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) and Diploma in Hotel Management & Catering Technology (D.H.M.C.T.)) affiliated to the Directorate of Technical Education, Mumbai are not subject to regulation of the Fees Regulating Authority, in view of the decision taken by the Government to de-notify the courses as professional courses. Since the alternate arrangements were not made to determine and approve fees of such courses by the Directorate of Technical Education, Mumbai, State of Maharashtra, the Principal Secretary, Government of Maharashtra vide letter dated 9/11/2022 requested the Authority constituted under the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015 to determine and approve the fees of the said Diploma courses for the academic year 2022-2023. By the said letter the Authority was informed that the Government is taking steps to make necessary amendments and to create a separate Authority/committee to determine the fees of said Diploma courses. In view of the request received from the Principal Secretary, Department of Higher & Technical Education, Government of Maharashtra, the Authority in its meeting dated 16/11/2022 decided to accede to the said request accordingly the link was made open w.e.f 7/12/2022 for submission of the online proposal to those Institution seeking upward revision of fees for the academic year 2022-2023. The link was kept open till 31/12/2022 .

The Authority has received requests from several institutions seeking extension of time and open the link to enable them to submit the proposal for approval of fees for the academic year 2022-2023.



Considering the cause assigned and in the larger interest of justice it was decided to allow the institute who have made the request to open the link for submission of proposal as well as all such institutes running Diploma Courses who have failed to submit the proposal on & before 31/12/2022. The link be made open w.e.f 10/3/2023 and same shall be kept open till 31/3/2023.

Inform to all concerned.

Notices also be published on the website of Fees Regulating Authority.

Let follow up action be taken accordingly".

Item No.4: To consider the online intimations received from Unaided Institutions mentioned in the list annexure 'B' running Higher & Technical courses, Health & Science courses as well as Agriculture courses opting for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2022-2023.

"Discussed.

The Institutes/Colleges mentioned in the list Annexure "B" (forming part of the minutes of the meeting) have given online intimation that they have decided to opt for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2022-2023 and to continue to charge the fees as approved by the Authority for the academic year 2021-2022 to students admitted in the academic year 2022-2023 in respect of respective courses run by them.

Section 14 of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015 provides the procedure to be adopted by the Fees Regulating Authority in determining the reasonableness of the fee structure of Private Professional Institutions. Section 14(1)(a) of the said Act of 2015 casts an obligation to submit the proposal for the determination of fees to the Fees Regulating Authority by the Management of the Unaided Institution. Such proposal is to be submitted to the Fees Regulating Authority in a manner provided under Section 14(1)(a) of the said Act of 2015 with the requisite documents and evidence so as to reach the Fees Regulating Authority on or before 31st October of the previous academic year. Section 14(1)(b) of the said Act of 2015 provides the effect of non-submission of the proposal for upward revision of fees to the Fees Regulating Authority.

In the event of non-submission of the proposal seeking upward revision of fees to the Fees Regulating Authority within the time limit specified by the Authority, the fees structure **approved by the Authority**

for the previous academic year shall continue to apply for the immediate next academic year. Section 14(1)(a) and (b) of the said Act of 2015 read as under:

"14(1) In determining the reasonableness of fee structure, the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) the Management of the Unaided Institution shall submit the details of the proposed fee along with the audited accounts of the preceding financial year, the proposed budget in respect of the current financial year and the relevant record and evidence to the Fees Regulating Authority for its approval not later than 31st October of previous academic year;*
- (b) in the event of non-submission of the proposal for upward revision of fees to the Fees Regulating Authority within the time-limit specified by the Authority, the fee structure as approved by the Authority and applicable during the academic year shall continue to apply."*

The Management of Unaided Private Professional Institutions mentioned in the list Annexure "B", whose fees was determined and approved by the Fees Regulating Authority for the academic year 2021-2022 have decided to go for no upward revision of fees for the academic year 2022-2023 and continue to apply the fees structure approved by the Fees Regulating Authority for the academic year 2021-2022 to the next academic year i.e. 2022-2023. The option as exercised by the Management running the Institutes mentioned in the list Annexure "B" is within the scope of exercise of the discretion available to them under Section 14(1)(b) of the said Act of 2015.

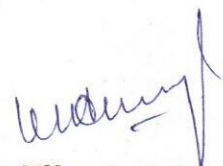
In view of the above, the fees structure approved by the Fees Regulating Authority for the academic year 2021-2022 i.e. previous year shall continue to apply to such courses run by the Institutes mentioned in the list Annexure "B" for the immediate next academic year i.e. 2022-2023.

The list Annexure "B" shall form the part and parcel of the minutes of the meeting.

Let the follow-up action be taken accordingly."

Date: 1st March 2023

Place: Mumbai



Justice Vijay L. Achliya (Retd.)
Chairperson
Fees Regulating Authority
State of Maharashtra