



FEES REGULATING AUTHORITY

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

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Minutes of the 157th Meeting of the Fees Regulating Authority (constituted under section 11(2)(3)(4) of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015) held on **Thursday, the 1st August 2019 at 11:00 a.m.** in the Conference Hall, Room No. 305, Government Polytechnic Building, 49 Kherwadi, Ali Yawar Jung Marg, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400 051.

Following were present:

1.	Hon'ble Justice M.N. Gilani, (Retd.)	:	Chairperson
2.	Dr. R.S. Mali	:	Member
3.	Shri. Sanjay Panse	:	Member
4.	Dr. Manikrao Gursal I.A.S.	:	Secretary

Item No. 1: To confirm the minutes of the 156th Meeting of the Fees Regulating Authority.

The Minutes of the 156th Meeting dated 25th July, 2019 of the Fees Regulating Authority are confirmed and approved.

Item No. 2: To discuss and finalize the Norms for A.Y. 2020-21.

1) Norms of Stipend for PG students in Health Science Courses :

It has been the practice to consider the expenses incurred towards paying stipend to PG students under the head salary. After having discussed with officers of Directorate of Medical Education, it is revealed that stipend is paid to the PG student for the services rendered by him in the hospital attached to such medical college. In view of prevailing practices of considering expenditure incurred towards paying stipend under the head salary, it results in increase in the fee structure, to that extent. Practically, whatever is paid as stipend is taken back in a

form of fees. This is against the spirit and purpose for which stipend is paid to the PG students as per Medical Council of India norms. It is therefore felt expedient to rectify the approach in this regard.

It is resolved that amount spent in discharge of liability on account of payment of stipend shall not be considered as an expenditure. College shall be at liberty to add, show this expenditure under the head "hospital expenses". The amount of "Hospital Deficit" would be subject to the elated limit, norms laid down separately.

2) Norms of Hospital Deficit:

In supersession of the resolution dated 22/8/2018 relating to norms on the subject "hospital deficit" it is resolved to restrict amount of hospital deficit to 25% of actual deficit or Rs. 25,000/- per student, in UG course and 25% of actual deficit or Rs. 2 lakh in P.G. course, whichever is lower. This shall apply to all the health science courses having hospitals attached irrespective of its age.

Provided, that Authority having regard to location, amount of deficit and other relevant factors may vary the deficit to a reasonable sum.

Item No. 3: To decide in the matter of Gunmala Jain Nursing Institute, Gondia

S.O. Adjournment on request.

Item No. 4: To consider and decide on letter dated 11/6/2019 received from the Principal, Universal College of Engineering, Dist – Palghar regarding confirmation of final fees for the A.Y. 2019-20.

Allowed to retain same fees for A.Y. 2019-20 on interim / adhoc basis subject to decision of Hon'ble High Court in W.P. No. 1506 of 2017.

Item No. 5: To consider and decide on grievance received from Shri Mishank Jain and Others, complaint regarding suddenly increase in Shri. Bhagubhai Mafatlal Polytechnic College, Mumbai.

Read the complaint lodged by Shri. Mishank Jain and others. Pursuant to that, notice was issued to the college. On 1/8/2019, Principal and others appeared. It is explained at 'X' that whatever fee structure approved was presumed as fee structure only for 2 branches and not for remaining 3 branches. Therefore, they demanded fees approved by this Authority from the students in 3 branches.

The college also furnished undertaking that no student in A.Y. 2017-18 and 2018-19 batches will be coerced to pay fees more than Rs. 42,010/- which was taken at the time of their admissions. In this view of the matter complaints stands disposed of with direction to the office to communicate to the complainants individually that they are not compelled / required to pay the fees more than Rs. 42,010/- for each academic year till they complete entire course.

Item NO.6: To consider and decide the review applications received from the colleges/ Institutes.

**Revised final fees for A.Y. 2019-20
(After hearing on Review Applications)**

Sr. No.	Code No.	Institute Name		Revised Final Fees declared by Authority for AY 2019-20
210	RGNM0091	New Vision School of Nursing, Latur	RGNM	Dismissed as Withdrawn
			RANM	
211	BSCN0085	Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Nursing Institute, Amravati	BSCN	Adjourned

Item NO.7: To consider and decide on letters dated 10/6/2019 and 29/7/2019 received from the G.H. Rasoni Institute of Business Management, Jalgaon regarding the merger of EN5105 into MB5152 from A.Y. 2019-20 (Ref:Item No,4(iii) in the meeting dated 25/7/2019).

This refers to letters dated 10/6/2019 and 29/7/2019 of G.H. Rasoni Institute of Business Management, Jalgaon wherein it is informed that from A.Y. 2019-20 G.H. Rasoni Engineering and Management running management course under (DTE code 5105) merged with G.H. Rasoni Institute of Business Management under DTE code 5152. This merger took place 29/6/2019. The proposal was submitted before the Authority for both the above institute separately on 30/10/2018 and 31/10/2018. The Authority determined the fees for the both the institute as follows :

EN5105	G.H. Rasoni Engineering and Management, Jalgaon (MBA)	Rs. 85,000/-
MB5152	G.H. Rasoni Institute of Business Management, Jalgaon	Rs. 1,05,000/-

We are also informed that merged MBA course having code no. 5105 for which fee was determined at Rs. 85,000/- would run as a single shift in the new merged entity. The earlier course of MBA of the merged entity would run as a second shift. The merger of 2 MBA courses in one entity would have direct implication on number of teaching staff, non-teaching staff, infrastructure facilities, usages charges etc. and consequently, the fees for A.Y. 2019-20 in the merged entity needs to be determined afresh as it cannot be determined in isolation. Therefore, institute is directed to submit the fresh proposal for the merged entity considering merged financial, number of students, revised usages charges etc. The fee would be determined on submission of proposal of merged entity.

Item NO.8: To consider and decide on grievance letter dated 24/7/2019 received from students of M. Pharma (IInd year) complaining that fee structure has been hiked in the middle of the session by C.U. Shah College of Pharmacy, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai.

This is regarding complaint received from the students studying in C.U. Shah College of Pharmacy, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai in M. Pharmacy IInd year. Their grievance is regarding hike in the fees in the IInd year of M. Pharmacy course.


C.U. Shah College of Pharmacy is not private college. It is conducted by the SNDT Women's University. Thus C.U. Shah college not being private will be out of purview of expression "Private Professional Educational Institution" defined under section 2(q) of Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulations of Admission and Fees) Act, 2015. The college is managed and conducted by SNDT University and thus it is not private institution. Therefore, this Authority is of the view that grievance of the students relating to hike in the fees cannot be entertained by this Authority.

It appears that SNDT University has grievance committee established under section 79(3)(a) of Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016. They can approach the said Committee. Complainants/students be informed accordingly.

Item NO.9: To decide in the matter of Tolani Maritime Institute, Pune (Ref: Item No. 6(i) in the meeting dated 15/5/2019).

Adjourned on request.

Item No. 10: To consider and decide on letter dated 16/7/2019 received from Y.M.T. College of Physiotherapy, Navi Mumbai regarding approval of fees for the Financial Year 2017-18 and 2018-19 (Ref: Item No. 4(iv) in the meeting dated 25/7/2019).



The fees proposal was submitted by Y.M.T. College of Physiotherapy, Navi Mumbai for A.Y. 2019-20. In the meeting dated 24/1/2019, fees proposal was examined and approved.

The management submitted review application. This came to be decided in the meeting dated 27/3/2019. Fee structure for the A.Y. 2019-20 was increased to Rs. 1,20,000/-.

Now the management has requested to revisit fee structure for A.Y. 2017-18 and 2018-19. This is on the basis of fee structure for A.Y. 2019-20 revised in review, and as per mandate in the norms.

Considering financial implication and as per norms, on revision of fee structure of A.Y. 2019-20 it is imperative to revisit adhoc fee structure of previous academic years.

Now on behalf of management application is submitted marked 'X' stating that the fees for A.Y. 2017-18 may only be revised since it is very much on lower side, particularly when compared to fee structure approved for A.Y. 2019-20.

As per policy, while increasing the fee structure retrospectively students are required to be heard. The college to give list of students admitted in A.Y. 2017-18 along with their email and telephone numbers. The college should apprise the students in the said batch about ^{its (college)} ~~their~~ representation for increase in the fee structure.

Office to invite at least 5 students from 2017-18 batch on the next date.

Item No. 11: To decide in the matter of fees fixation for PG M.S. Orthopaedics course conducted by Sancheti Institute for Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, Post Graduate College, Pune

Read communication dated 22/4/2019 and 7/6/2019.

The fee for M.S. Orthopaedics was approved by this Authority for A.Y. 2018-19. It is Rs. 10,92,000/-. The Institute did not submit fees proposal for A.Y. 2019-20. They opted to continue with previous academic year fees.


The Institute also conducts Physiotherapy course (UG/PG). While hearing review application relating to PG Physiotherapy, it was noticed that the Institute made extra collection from management quota students admitted to M.S. Orthopaedics, in A.Y. 2018-19 batch. Therefore, it was felt necessary to verify the balance sheet of the Institute. Prima-facie, although provision in the Act allows the Institute to retain previous academic year fee's by not submitting fees proposal in the given academic year. The extra collection has necessitated revisit to the fee structure. While this issue was being examined, on 27/6/2019 institute has offered to lower fees by Rs. 1,00,000/- per student that means the fee for M.S. Orthopaedics for A.Y. 2019-20 will be Rs. 9,92,000/- instead of Rs. 10,92,000/-. The step voluntarily proposed to be taken by the institute to reduce fees by Rs. 1,00,000/- is appreciable. However, whatever the extra collection is made in A.Y. 2018-19 shall be reflected in the balance sheet which should be required to be submitted along with the fees proposal for A.Y. 2020-2021. Thus, the exact impact of extra collection will ^{be} ^{ed} reflect in the fee structure for A.Y. 2020-21.

Amount of fees [✓] collected more than Rs. 9,92,000/- from the students admitted in A.Y. 2019-20 shall immediately be refunded to them and compliance be reported along with list of the names of the students, their email id and telephone numbers. Office to take follow up the action.

Item No. 12: To decide in the matter of Pune Institute Business Management Studies, Pune

Perused Office Note. Review Application filed by the management was withdrawn by them. This happened after the inspection. After perusing the file in the opinion of Dr. R.S. Mali, Member, FRA file needs to be closed.

This Authority agrees and direct that file be closed with a letter of caution to the management that while showing expenses there shall be candid bifurcation for MBA & PGDM courses.



Item No. 13: Regarding Processing Fee for submission of fees proposals.

With regard to exemption in paying processing fee while submitting fees proposals, resolution at Item No. 4 of Authority meeting dated 23rd August 2018, will continue to apply for the A.Y. 2020-2021 and onwards, till further orders.



Date: 1st August 2019
Place : Mumbai

CHAIRPERSON
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