

ANDHRA PRADESH HIGHER EDUCATION REGULATORY AND MONITORING COMMISSION

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANDHRA PRADESH HIGHER EDUCATION REGULATORY AND MONITORING COMMISSION RELATING TO REVIEW AND DETERMINATION OF FEE STRUCTURE FOR B.VOCATIONAL DEGREE COURSES IN THE PRIVATE UN-AIDED AND AIDED DEGREE COLLEGES IN THE STATE OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOR THE BLOCK PERIOD 2020-21 TO 2022-23.

The Andhra Pradesh Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission (herein after referred as 'APHERMC' or the 'Commission') met on 30.12.2020 to review and determine the fee structure for **B.Vocational Degree Courses** in the Private Un-aided and Aided Degree Colleges in the State of Andhra Pradesh for the block period 2020-21 to 2022-23. The meeting is attended by the following Members:

Sl.No.	Name	Designation
1	Justice V. Eswaraiah	Chairperson
2.	Prof. N. Bhargava Rama Mohan Rao	Vice-Chairperson
3.	Dr. N. Rajasekhar Reddy	Member Secretary & CEO
4.	Shri Asutosh Mishra IAS., (Rtd.)	Member Administration
5.	Shri Kaliki Vijayulu Reddy	Member Finance
6.	Prof. D. Usha Rani	Member Academic
7.	Dr. G. Santa Rao	Member Academic
8.	Prof. P. Vijaya Prakash	Member Academic
9.	Shri A. Sambasiva Reddy	Nominee Member from Higher Educational Institutions

MINUTES

1. University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi, has sanctioned various skill based fresh courses under B.Vocational Degree Programmes under National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) during the academic session 2020-2021. Only institutions included

under Sections 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act, 1956 and receiving plan grant from the UGC are eligible for UGC financial assistance under the NSQF Scheme for sanction of B.Vocational Programmes which would be a suitable mix of general education and skill development components.

- 2. A.P. State Council for Higher Education (APSCHE) has included the Private Un-Aided Degree Colleges which are accorded affiliation by the respective Universities for B.Vocational Programmes for 2020-21 to approach the A.P. Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission (APHERMC) for fixation of fee so as to be included for online admissions 2020-21.
- 3. The Commission has issued a press note dated 19.12.2020 directing the said colleges to approach the APHERMC for fixation of fee. The same was also notified on the website of APHERMC directing the colleges to submit the fee proposals pertaining to the fresh courses sanctioned under NSQF. The Commission has also written to the Registrars of all the State Universities in A.P. to inform the colleges which had been accorded approval by UGC and APSCHE, to approach the Commission for fixation of fee for B.Vocational Programmes so as to be included in the counseling for online admissions.
- 4. The Commission has examined the fee proposals submitted by the colleges. The items of expenditure as stated by the colleges for various pogrammes have been considered and after intense discussions, the

fee as given in **Annexure** has been determined to be recommended and notified by the Government for the block period 2020-21 to 2022-23.

- 5. The Commission examined the various representations of the colleges for the different courses for determining the fee taking into consideration various factors and parameters to arrive at the fee structure for B.Vocational Programmes under NSQF. The Commission has taken into consideration several parameters to arrive at the proposed fees commensurate for providing quality teaching and education. Both expenditure involved in imparting skills based education as also quality based performance parameters were considered in determining the fee structure. The fee determined is balanced to the average fee structure in vogue, and aimed to bring in uniformity and standardization in relation to course-wise necessary expenditure while appreciating and giving due weightage to bring in equity and quality in education across the State of Andhra Pradesh.
- 6. Under Section 5 of the A.P. Act 5 of 1983, the collection of any capitation fee by any educational institution or by any person who is in-charge of or is responsible for management of the institution is prohibited. Under Section 6 of the said Act, any donation of money to any educational institutions shall be deposited in the accounts of the institutions in any scheduled bank and shall be applied and expended for the improvement of the institution and for the development of the educational facilities and such other related purposes. No amount can be utilized or diverted for any other purpose. Under Section 7 of

the Act 5 of 1983, no educational institution shall collect any fee in excess of the fee notified by the Government under Sub-Section 1 of Section 7 of the said Act. Therefore, there cannot be any capitation fee or profiteering by any educational institution.

- 7. The Commission after considering material and information on various aspects received from the Universities and the representatives of the respective institutions resolved to recommend to the Government to consider the following fee structure for the B.Vocational Programmes as given in Annexure-I in respect of list of Colleges.
- 8. The said fee structure may be considered and notified by the Government under section 7 of Act 5 of 1983 for the Academic years 2020-21 to 2022-23 subject to the following directions:
 - a. The fee is an all-inclusive annual fee including various fee like tuition fee, affiliation fee, cost of identity card, medical fee, inter college/inter university sports, games & cultural meet fee, computer/internet fee, College magazine and student activities, student health care scheme, student welfare fund, study tour, alumni fund, sports and games fee, examination fee including stationery, maintenance and amenities fee, extracurricular activities fee, development fee, Recognition fee, Common Services fee and other recurring expenditure.
 - b. The aforesaid fee determined for all the B.Vocational Pogrammes for the colleges mentioned in Annexure-I does not include hostel,

transport, mess charges, Registration fee, admission fee and refundable deposits of library and laboratory fee.

- c. The same fee shall continue for the students admitted during the block period of 2020-21 to 2022-23 till they complete the course.
- **d.** The institutions whose affiliations are not extended by the Affiliating Universities for the academic year 2020-21 are not entitled to collect any fee.
- e. The institution shall not charge either directly or indirectly any other amount over and above the fee fixed in the **Annexure**. If any other amount is charged under any other head or guise i.e., donations, the same would amount to charging of capitation fee and in that case the institution shall be liable to be prosecuted under Section 9 of Act 5 of 1983 apart from imposing appropriate penalty under the APHERMC Act, 2019 and the APHERMC Rules, 2019.
- f. In case of any deviation from these directions, the Commission will initiate serious penal action as per the provisions of the Act and Rules made there under.

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