



FEES REGULATING AUTHORITY

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

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(Part-II)

Minutes of Meeting of Authority

Dt. 28/02/2025

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 **28th February, 2025** 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	:	Not Present.
3.	Shri. Manoj Damodar Chandak, Chartered Accountant, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
4.	Shri. Nitin Bapurao Chavan, Chartered Accountant, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
5.	Shri. Ratnakar (Shirish) Phadtare, Cost Accountant, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
6.	Shri. Atul Damodar Dharap, Cost Accountant, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
7.	Shri. Adv. Dharmendra Dilip Mishra, Professional Educationist, Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.
8.	The Director, Technical Education, Mumbai, Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority.	:	Absent.
9.	The Director Higher Education, (M.S), Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority.	:	Absent.
10.	Commissioner Medical Education (M.S) , Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority.	:	Absent.
11.	The Director, Directorate of AYUSH, Maharashtra State, Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority.	:	Absent

12.	The Member Secretary of the Maharashtra Council of Agriculture Education and Research , Pune , Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority.	:	Presence dispensed.
13.	Shri. S. Ramamoorthy, I.A.S., Member Secretary of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Transferred & Posted as Deputy Secretary to Governor, State of Maharashtra.

Item No.2: To consider the Review Applications received from the Colleges/ Institutes running the courses mentioned below as against the approval of fees approved by the Authority for the academic year 2024-2025.

(E)

Review Application No. 04/2024 filed by N.Y.S.S.'S Datta Meghe College Of Engineering, Airoli, Navi Mumbai (Code No. EN3187) against the decision of the Authority finalizing the fees of the Institute/College for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Engg./M.Engg. courses run by the Institute.

"The following were present:

1. Dr. Prasad Dodi, the Principal of the Institute.
2. Dr. Sudhir Kumar Savarkar, the Director of the Institute.
3. Mr. Vijay Nagrole, the Accountant of the Institute.
4. Mr. Amit Deo, the Member of the Trust.

Heard.

The Authority in its meeting held on 17/04/2024 considered the proposal submitted by the Institute for approval of fees of B.Engg. & M.Engg. courses run by the Institute for the academic year 2024-2025. After considering the proposal the Authority has approved the fees of Rs. 90,000/- per student for the B.Engg. course and Rs. 60,000/- per student for the M.Engg. course. The Institute has proposed and claimed fee of Rs. 1,12,500/- for B.Engg. course and Rs. 61,500/- for M.Engg. course. Being aggrieved by the decision of the Authority the Institute has preferred Review Application.

The Officials of the Institute have restricted their challenge to the decision of the Authority approving the fees of Rs. 90,000/- as against the demand of Rs. 1,12,500/- in respect of B.Engg. course only . The challenge has been raised mainly on the ground that the Authority has disallowed the salary to the tune of Rs. 27,06,273/- by observing that the said amount was found to be difference of amount claimed as salary expenditure claimed in the proposal and form nos. 16 under the Income Tax Act. The Officials have explained that the said difference was noticed by the Authority as in form nos. 16 amount of Rs. 27,06,273/- paid by the employer as contribution of provident fund was not shown. The said amount being part of the salary deserves to be considered.



On due consideration of the submission made the affidavit & documents filed by the Principal of the college the Review Application is partly allowed to the extent of B.Engg. course and rejected to the extent of M.Engg. course as the explanation put forth found to be satisfactory and convincing. The fees of the Institute is revised as under:-

Review Application No.	Name of the Institute	Course	The Revised fees approved for the A.Y. 2024-2025
04/2024	N.Y.S.S.'S Datta Meghe College Of Engineering, Airoli, Navi Mumbai Code No. EN3187	B.Engg.	1,01,500/- Per student

(F) **Review Application No. 14/2024 filed** by Sctr'S Pune Institute Of Computer Technology, Pune (Code No. EN6271) against the decision of the Authority finalizing the fees of the Institute/College for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Engg. course run by the Institute.

"The following were present:-

1. Dr. S.T. Gandhe, the Principal of the Institute.
2. Dr. P.T. Kulkarni, the Director of the Institute.
3. Mr. Rajesh Shah , the Finance Officer of the Institute.
4. Mr. Sandip Choudhary, the Office Superintendent of the Institute.

Heard.

The proposal submitted for approval of fees in respect of B.Engg. course run by the Institute for the academic year 2024-2025 was considered by the Authority in its meeting held on 09/05/2024. After making the disallowance the fees was worked out as Rs. 1,10,317/- per student. However, after considering the fees of the previous year the reasonable rise was given over the previous year fees as per norms the fee of Rs. 1,03,500/- per student was approved as reasonable fees. Being aggrieved by the decision of the Authority the Institute has preferred Review Application.

The Principal and Director of the Institute have submitted that the fees as approved is insufficient to run the course and requested that the fees as worked out by the Authority be approved as a reasonable fees. It is submitted that their Institute is the premier Institute in the State and most preferred college by the students. Since its inception in the year 1983 the Institute has revolutionised education by nurturing skilled engineers and especially for I.T & semiconductor industry. The Institute is accredited as NAAC A + as well as NBA accredited Institute. The University Grants Commission (UGC) has granted autonomous status to their Institute from the



academic year 2024-2025. They are implementing new education policy . The Institute is also NIRF ranking in the band of 201-250 for last two academic years. It has a track record of 100% admissions of meritorious students and placement. The Institute is paying salary as per 7th pay. It is submitted that the Authority has approved the reasonable fees based upon previous year fees by giving rise over previous year fees. The previous year fees was based upon Audited Financial Report of 2021-2022. However, in the financial year 2021-2022 the over all salary and non salary expenditure was 25.03 crores. In the financial year 2023-2024 the salary expenditure was 30.26 crores and in the financial year 2024-2025 same is expected to be 35 crore. In this background it is submitted that the fees as work out to be approved.

On due consideration of submission advanced and considered the grounds raised in the Review Application supported with documents as well as the overall performance of the Institute and increase in salary and non salary expenditure in last two years it was decided to allow the Review Application and revised the fees of the Institute as under :-

Review Application No.	Name of the Institute	Course	The Revised fees approved for the A.Y. 2024-2025
14/2024	Sctr'S Pune Institute of Computer Technology, Pune. Code No. EN6271	B.Engg.	1,10,000/- Per student

(G) **Review Application No. 25/2024 filed** by Prof Ram Meghe College Of Engineering & Management, Badnera-Amravati (Code No. EN1128) against the decision of the Authority finalizing the fees of the Institute/College for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Engg. course run by the Institute.

"The following were present:-

1. Dr. Nitin Dhande, the Chairman of the Trust.
2. Dr. D.G. Harkut , the Principal of the Institute.
3. Mr. Ingle, the Chartered Accountant of the Institute.

Heard.

The proposal of the Institute for approval of fees for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Engg. course was considered by the Authority in its meeting held on 22/05/2024. As against the claim of the Institute for approval of fees of Rs. 1,14,857/-, the Authority has approved the fees of Rs. 85,000/- per student for the

academic year 2024-2025. Being aggrieved the Institute has preferred the Review Application.

The Officials representing the institute reiterated the grounds raised in the Review Application and highlighted in detail in the letter dated 04/06/2024 signed by the Principal of the Authority. It is pointed out that the Authority has treated the amount of Rs. 2,24,02,040/- as excess collection of fees, while assessing the fees and reduced the said amount from the expenditure of institute resulting into approval of fees of Rs. 85,000/- per student. It is submitted that the Institute has not collected any excess amount either as tuition fees or development fees from any students. It is submitted that for the academic year 2022-2023 the Institute was to receive total fees of Rs. 18,20,38,000/-. However, the Institute has received Rs. 6,67,43,311/- as fees in said academic year. The Institute had the total fees collection of Rs. 20,44,40,040/- in the academic year 2022-2023 and difference of Rs. 13,76,96,729/- was pertaining to previous year outstanding fees. The Institute has furnished the year wise details of fees receivable. In this background the Officials have submitted that there was no excess collection of fees by the Institute from the student. The Institute has furnished yearwise details with the names of the student and amount received as fees. So also, the Principal of the Institute has submitted affidavit in support of the submission made.

On due consideration of the submission advanced in the light of the details furnished by the Institute supported with affidavit and documents the Authority was satisfied that there was no excess collection of fees by the Institute and the amount of Rs. 2,24,02,040/- cannot be treated as excess collection of fees. The Authority has erred in considering the same as excess collection of fees. It was therefore decided to accept the explanation and revised the fees. Accordingly, the Review Application is partly allowed. The fees of the Institute is revised as under:-

Review Application No.	Name of the Institute	Course	The Revised fees approved for the A.Y. 2024-2025
25/2024	Prof Ram Meghe College Of Engineering & Management, Badnera-Amravati Code No. EN1128	B.Engg.	1,00,000/- Per student



(H)

Review Application No. 30/2024 filed by St. Vincent Pallotti College Of Engineering & Technology, Nagpur (Code No. EN4174) against the decision of the Authority finalizing the fees of the Institute/College for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Engg. course run by the Institute.

"Mr. R.B. Pethe, the Auditor of the Institute.
Heard.

The Auditor of the Institute advanced submission in support of the Review Application. The hearing is concluded. Reserved for consideration".

Date: 28th February, 2025

Place: Mumbai


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