



FEES REGULATING AUTHORITY

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

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Minutes of Meeting of Authority

Dt. 29/02/2024

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 **29th February, 2024** 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 through video conferencing.
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 .	:	Presence dispensed for a day.
11.	The Director, Directorate of AYUSH, Maharashtra State, Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Absent

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12.	The Member Secretary of the Maharashtra Council of Agriculture Education and Research , Pune , Ex-Officio Member of Fees Regulating Authority.	:	Presence dispensed for a day.
13.	Shri. S.Ramamoorthy,I.A.S., Member Secretary of Fees Regulating Authority	:	Present.

Item No.2(i): To consider the pending proposals for approval of fees in respect of Technical Diploma courses for the academic year 2022-2023.

"Discussed.

The Fees Regulating Authority has been created under the provisions of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015 to regulate the fees to be charged by Unaided Private Professional Institutions within the State of Maharashtra affiliated to the University. The Diploma Courses in Engineering and Technology (Polytechnic), Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) and Diploma in Hotel Management & Catering Technology (D.H.M.C.T) are not affiliated to the University but same are regulated by the Maharashtra Technical Education Board. By Government notification dated 05/07/2018 issued by the Department of Higher Technical Education, the Diploma in Engineering and Technology (Polytechnic), Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) and Diploma in Hotel Management and Catering Technology (D.H.M.C.T) courses were deleted from the list of professional courses and powers to regulate the Admissions and the matter incidental thereto vested with Directorate of Technical Education, Mumbai. Since the year 2018 i.e. the issuance of Government notification dated 05/07/2018 the Fees Regulating Authority ceased to have jurisdiction to determine the reasonableness of fees of said Diploma courses. From the academic year 2019-2020 and onwards the fees of said Diploma courses was decided by the Fees Regulating Authority at the request of the Department of Higher Technical Education, Maharashtra State as the alternate arrangement and machinery to determine the fees of Diploma courses was not put in place by the Directorate of Technical Education, Mumbai.

The Government of Maharashtra has amended the Maharashtra State Board of Education Act 1997 and introduced sec. 24 (A) which reads as under:

"24A.(1) The State Government shall by an order constitute a Fees Fixation Committee, to work out the real cost of delivery of each and every Diploma Level Technical Education run by the unaided private polytechnic or institution affiliated to the Board. The Government shall specify the emoluments and other allowances payable, term of office and conditions of services of the Chairperson and members of the Fees Fixation Committee in such order.

(2) The functions, powers and procedure of the Fees Regulating Authority, the procedure to be adopted by the Fees Regulating Authority and factors for determination of fees structure provided in sections 13, 14 and 15 of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015 shall mutatis mutandis be followed by the Fee Fixation Committee constituted under sub-section (1) while working

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out the real cost of delivery of each and every such education."

Thus, by virtue of sec 24 (A), the State Government has provided for the constitution of Fees Fixation Committee for Diploma level Technical Education courses run by the Unaided Private Polytechnic Institution affiliated to the Maharashtra State Board of Technical Education. The Hon'ble Governor has given assent to amendment of said Act and said Gazette notification was published on 26/04/2023. Subsequent to the said amendment, the Department of Higher & Technical Education vide Government Resolution No. संकिर्ण- २०२३/(प्र.क्र.६४/२३)/ तांशि- ५ dt. 08/06/2023 constituted the Fees Fixation Committee for fixation of fees of Diploma Level Courses run by Unaided Private Professional Institutions.

In view of the above the Fees Regulating Authority cannot entertain any proposal for fixation of fees in respect of Diploma Level Courses affiliated to Technical Education Department.

In view of proposals received in Fees Regulating Authority for approval of fees in respect of Diploma Courses in Engineering and Technology (Polytechnic), Diploma in Pharmacy (D.Pharm) and Diploma in Hotel Management & Catering Technology (D.H.M.C.T) be sent to Fees Fixation Committee constituted by the State Government under the provisions of Maharashtra State Board of Education Act 1997".

Item No.2(ii):

To consider the pending proposal of Sushrusha Institute of Nursing Sciences, Pune (PBSCN0019) for approval of fees in respect of B.Sc.(Nursing) & P.B.Sc.(Nursing) courses for the academic year 2023-2024.

"Discussed.

Mrs. Pallavi Kulkarni the Secretary of the Institute was present.

It was brought to the notice of the Secretary of the Institute that Institute has not furnished the segmental bifurcation of all the courses run by the Institute. It was also brought to her notice that though the Institute is running M.Sc.(Nursing) course and required to submit the proposal for approval of fees for the academic year 2023-2024 the proposal has not been submitted.

The Secretary of the Institute is directed to submit the statement showing segmental bifurcation of income and expenditure in respect of B.Sc. (Nursing) , P.B.Sc.(Nursing), M.Sc(Nursing) & non F.R.A courses such as R.A.N.M & R.G.N.M run by the Institute. So also furnished the list of teaching and non teaching staff employed with particular name of teaching faculty the salary paid etc., employed in said F.R.A and non F.R.A courses with requisite documents.The compliance be made within three weeks.

Put up after compliance".

Item No.3:

Any other subject with the permission of the Chair.

(i)

To consider the letter dated 10/08/2023 received from Indira Global School of Business , Pune (MB6777) regarding merging it with Indira College of Management Studies, Pune (MB6976) from the academic year 2023-2024 in respect of M.B.A course run by the Shree Chanakya Education Society, Pune.

"Discussed.

It was decided to call the Director and Secretary of the Institute for hearing.

List after 4th weeks".

(ii) **To consider the letter dated 26/12/2023 received from International Institute of Information Technology, Pune (EN6754) seeking withdrawal of fees proposal for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Engineering course run by the Institute.**

"Discussed.

The Institute vide letter dated 26/12/2023 requested to allow the Institute to withdraw the proposal for approval of fees for the academic year 2024-2025 and continue to apply the fees structure approved for the academic year 2023-2024 for the immediate next academic year i.e. 2024-2025, in view of decision taken by the Authority in Review Application decided on 20/12/2023.

Considering the fact that the Review Application of the Institution was pending in respect of approval of fees approved for the academic year 2023-2024 and same was decided on 20/12/2023, it was decided to allow the request of the Institute for withdrawal of proposal and opt for 'No Upward Revision' of fees for the academic year 2024-2025. The request of the Institute falls within the scope of sec. 14(1)(b) of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015. The proposal submitted for approval of fees for the academic year 2024-2025 to be treated as withdrawn and disposed of. The fees structure approved for the academic year 2023-2024 continue to apply for the next academic year i.e 2024-2025. The fees be notified as 'No Upward Revision' of fees for the academic year 2024-2025.


Let the follow up action be taken accordingly".

(iii) **To consider the letter dated 08/01/2024 received from Eklavya College of Pharmacy, Tasgaon (PH6891) seeking withdrawal of fees proposal for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Pharm course run by the Institute.**

"Discussed.

By the letter dated 08/01/2024 the Institute has requested to allow the Institute to withdraw the proposal for the academic year 2024-2025 and continue to apply the fees approved for the previous academic year i.e. 2023-2024 for the next academic year 2024-2025.

The fees of the Institute running B.Pharm course for the academic year 2023-2024 was revised & finalised as Rs. 79,000/- per student in the meeting of the Authority held on 28/12/2023 as per decision taken in Review Application No. 95/2023. In view of finalisation of fees for the academic year 2023-2024 on 28/12/2023 the Institute has requested to allow the Institute to withdraw the proposal for the academic year 2024-2025 and allow the Institute to apply the fees structure approved for the academic year 2023-2024 for the next academic year i.e. 2024-2025.

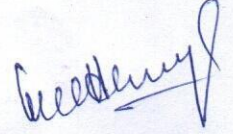


Considering the request made by the Institute falls within the purview of sec. 14(1)(b) of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015, it was decided to allow the Institute to withdraw the proposal for approval of fees for the academic year 2024-2025 and continue to apply the fee structure approved for the previous academic year 2023-2024 for the next academic year 2024-2025. The fees of the Institute be notified as Rs. 79,000/- per student as 'No Upward Revision' of fees for the academic year 2024-2025.

Let the follow up action be taken accordingly".

Date: 29th February, 2024

Place: Mumbai



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