



# FEES REGULATING AUTHORITY

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

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## Minutes of Meeting of Authority

Dt. 24/12/2024

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 24<sup>th</sup> December, 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 through video conferencing.
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 through video conferencing.
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 for a day.
13.	Shri. S. Ramamoorthy, I.A.S Member Secretary of Fees Regulating Authority.	:	Present.

**Item No. 1: To confirm the minutes of the meeting dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 of the Fees Regulating Authority.**

"Discussed.

The minutes of the meeting dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 of the Fees Regulating Authority are confirmed and approved".

**Item No. 2: To conduct Review of the proposal submitted for the academic year 2024-2025.**

**And**

**Item No. 3: To finalize the schedule for hearing of the Review Application.**

"Discussed.

It was decided the Members of the Committee shall examine the Review Application and next week shall decide the further course of action to be followed for the purpose of finalizing the schedule of hearing".

**Item No. 4: To appoint an Empanelment of Chartered Accountant and Cost Accountant for the academic year 2025-2026 to scrutinize the fees proposal.**

"Discussed.

It was decided that the Committee appointed shall finalize the panel and submit the same for approval of the Authority. The meeting be commenced on 02/01/2025 & 03/01/2025.

**Item No.5: Any other subject with the permission of the Chair.**

**To consider the Greivance received from Ms. Sonal Sanjay Zanwar in respect of demand of fees over and above the adhoc fees declared by the Fees Regulating Authority for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of Post Graduate Course in medical.**

"Discussed.

The Complainant/Student appeared along with her father and submitted the complaint alleging demand of fees over and above the adhoc fees declared by the Fees Regulating Authority by the Prakash Institute Of Medical Science And Research, Sangli.



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In brief the complainant has submitted that she has been allotted M.S (Obstetrics & Gynaecology) seat in Prakash Institute Of Medical Science And Research, Sangli from Institutional Quota as per the letter of admission received from by the State Common Entrance Test Cell, Maharashtra . The seat allotment letter was issued on 23/12/2024. At the time of admission filling choice form the Complainant has checked the website of the Institute, on which the Institute has displayed the Adhoc fees of said course as Rs. 10,50,000/- per year. For the Institutional Quota seat the Institute has displayed the maximum fees to be payable as Rs. 42,00,000/- per year. For the N.R.I Quota the Institute has displayed the total fees to be payable as Rs. 52,50,000/-. Considering the fees displayed the Complainant/Student has opted the said college/institute. After receipt of the letter of allotment of seat from State Common Entrance Test Cell, Maharashtra the Complainant contacted the Prakash Institute Of Medical Science And Research, Sangli to ascertain the modalities and mode of payment of fees to be made to College. She was told by the Official that she will have to bring D.D of Rs. 64,00,000/- for securing an admission. It was realized that on the last date of choice filling form the Institute has changed the fees to be payable shown as Rs. 10,50,000/- per year to Rs. 16,00,000/- per year. The Institute has changed and displayed the adhoc fees of Rs. 16,00,000/- per year and total amount to be payable for Management Quota/Institutional seat shown as Rs. 64,00,000/- as against Rs. 42,00,000/- . It is submitted that the Institute cannot charge the fees over and above the adhoc fees prescribed by the Authority. The Institute is not entitled to claim fees @ Rs. 16,00,000/- per year as against approved adhoc fees of Rs. 10,50,000/-. In support of the submission the Complainant has produced the copy of letter of allotment of seat , the minutes of the meeting of the Authority approving the adhoc fees as Rs. 10,50,000/-, the fees structure initially displayed by the Institute showing the adhoc fees as Rs. 10,50,000/- as well as the fees structure subsequently displayed showing the adhoc fees as Rs. 16,00,000/- per year. It is the Grievance of the Complainant that she is unable to meet the demand of Institute to pay the fees of Rs. 64,00,000/- (calculated @ Rs. 16,00,000/- per year) as demanded by the Institute. It is further contention of the complainant that the demand raised by the Institute is unjust, improper and contrary to law.

The Grievance Redressal Committee has earlier received the complaints of similar in nature against the same Institute . After hearing the Management running the Institute passed the detailed order on 02/12/2024 and directed the Institute not to charge the fees over and above the adhoc fees declared by the Fees Regulating Authority for the academic year 2024-2025 i.e. Rs. 10,50,000/- per year. As against



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the order passed by the Grievance Redressal Committee the Institute has preferred Writ Petition No. 18908 of 2024 before the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Bombay. Now the petition is posted for hearing to 20/01/2025.

Considering the Grievance agitated by the Complainant/student the adhoc fees declared by the Institute before the first round of counselling and purview of sec 14 (2) of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015, & the Adhoc fees declared by the Fees Regulating Authority for the academic year 2024-2025 for M.D./M.S course. The Authority is of the prima facie opinion that the act of the institute to demand the fees from the Complainant over and above the adhoc fees declared by the Authority is improper and contrary to law. The adhoc fees declared by the Authority for the Post Graduate course in medical i.e. M.D./M.S course for the academic year 2024-2025 is subject to finalisation of fees for the academic year 2026-2027 and confirmation finalisation of adhoc fees charged for the academic year 2024-2025 & 2025-2026. At the most the Institute is entitled to obtain an undertaking from the student to the extent that in the event the fees finalised by the Authority for the academic year 2024-2025 & 2025-2026 found to be more than the adhoc fees approved and collected by Institution the student will liable to pay the difference in amount. In no event the Institute can charge or demand adhoc fees over and above adhoc fees declared by the Authority & in a arbitrary manner. Hence considering the overall facts of the case the grievance agitated, documents produced, the Authority is of the view that there is a prima facie case to entertain the complaint . Hence the following order/ direction is passed;

1. The copy of the complaint be forwarded to the Dean of the Prakash Institute Of Medical Science And Research, Sangli with direction to submit written response within four weeks.
2. Pending hearing & decision of the complaint and subject to outcome of the Writ Petition No. 18908 of 2024 filed by the Institute, the Institute is directed to admit the Complainant Ms. Sonal Sanjay Zanwar to M.S (Obstetrics & Gynaecology) as per the letter of seat allotment issued by the State Common Entrance Test Cell, Maharashtra by charging the adhoc fees @ Rs. 10,50,000/- per year from Institutional Quota.
3. The Institute will be at liberty to secure an undertaking from the complainant/student to the effect that in the event that fees to be finalized by the Authority if found to be more than the adhoc fees then the Institute will be entitled to difference in amount and the Complainant liable to pay the same.

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4. In case the final fees to be determined if found to be less than the adhoc fees charged & collected by the Institute then the Institute shall refund the excess amount of fees collected to the Complainant/Student.
5. The Dean of the Institute shall report the compliance on and before 28/12/2024 and further submit written response to the Complaint within four weeks from the date of receipt of the copy of the Complaint.
6. The copy of the minutes of meeting be furnished to the Complainant & sent to Dean of the Institute forthwith.

Let the follow up action be taken accordingly”.

**Date: 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2024**

**Place: Mumbai**



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