



FEES REGULATING AUTHORITY

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

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Minutes of Meeting of Authority

Dt. 15/01/2025

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 15th January, 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	:	Present.

Item No.1: To confirm the minutes of the meeting dated 09th January, 2025 of Fees Regulating Authority.

"Discussed.

The minutes of the meeting dated 09th January, 2025 of the Fees Regulating Authority are confirmed and approved".

Item No.2: To appoint the Committees to inspect the Institutes/Colleges falling under the jurisdiction of Fees Regulating Authority.

"Discussed.

It was decided that the Authority be form two teams consists of Experts, the Officials from the concerned Department of the State and any other expert officials required for the inspection.

It was decided that beside the Hon'ble Chairman of Fees Regulating Authority teams to regularly decide and inspect the colleges. The two teams consisting of Members and Officials from the concern Department/Directors shall carry out the inspection of the Institution against which complaints were received and other institutes as it deems necessary.

While inspecting the colleges/institute the Authority shall ensure information provided by the Institute of income and expenditure has been truly, correctly and factually reflected in the proposal.

The Committee, of three Hon'ble Members to be constituted by Hon'ble Member Secretary of the Fees Regulating Authority, depending upon the availability of Hon'ble Members from time to time.

The team will be assisted by the supporting staff of the Fees Regulating Authority and all the logistic required for the purpose of Assistant shall be provided by the Office".

Item No.3: To consider the letter dated 23/12/2024 received from the Association of the Management of Un-aided Engineering Colleges (Mah.) regarding non applicability of Right to Information Act 2005 to the unaided Educational Institutes.....

"Discussed.

After considering the representation and the precedent of Law refered in the decision quoted in the representation it was decided that the copy of representation be forwarded to Public Information Officer (PIO) and First Appellate Authority (FAA) for consideration and taking decision in accordance with law".

Item No.4: To consider the threatening WhatsApp message received by the Hon'ble Chairman of the Fees Regulating Authority and to decide the further course of action against the person/s making false allegation against the Officials & staff of Fees Regulating Authority.

"Discussed.

It was discussed in length, the official of the Fees Regulating Authority briefed the meeting on the history of Mr. Ram Yadav, including relevant records from the Government Department that the office had received. These records were presented to provide context for the situation.

It was highlighted that Mr. Ram Yadav is a 'Non Stakeholder', the Hon'ble Member Secretary, Fees Regulating Authority opined that "Stakeholders have got right to get their grievance redressed and the Authority shall take appropriate actions on non-stakeholders complaint with evidences.

After extensive discussion, it was decided that the FRA should proceed with investigating the matter further and take appropriate action against the person(s) making the false allegations and issuing threats. It was concluded with a consensus to address the matter promptly, ensuring justice and transparency in the process".

Item No.5: To consider the office report about the discrepancy found in the three and five times Institutional Quota fees in respect of Medical Colleges (Ref. Committee meeting dated 12/12/2024).


"Discussed.

Deferred due to the fact that the report has not yet been prepared. Further discussions will be held once the report is available".

Due to paucity of time the remaining Agenda points (No. 6 to 12) will be discussed in the next Authority meeting scheduled for 23/01/2025.

Date: 15th January, 2025

Place: Mumbai


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Member Secretary
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