

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. 27/02/2025

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 **27**th **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 Deputy Secretary Governor, State Maharashtra.	as to of

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.

(N) Review Application No. 06/2024 filed by Vidya Prasarini Sabha'S College Of Engineering & Technology, Lonavala (Code No. EN6815) 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. Manav Thakur, the Principal of the Institute.
- 2. Mr. Amul Bati, the Auditor of the Institute

Heard.

The Institute has submitted the proposal for approval of fees for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Engg. course run by the Institute. The Institute has proposed the fees of Rs. 65,000/- per student. The proposal was considered by the Authority in its meeting held on 16/04/2024. The Authority has allowed all the disallowances made by the software & worked the fees based upon the proposal submitted by the Institute. The fees of Rs. 37,223/- per student was worked out. The Authority has approved the fees of Rs. 37,500/- per student. Being aggrieved the Institute has preferred the Review Application.

The Officials representing the Institute has submitted that the fees as approved by the Authority is insufficient to run the course and requested to allow the expenditure disallowed by the Authority & increased the fees. During the course of submission, the Officials representing the Institute submitted that there was a mistake on the part of the Institute & the provision of salary remained to be claimed in the proposal.

On due consideration of the submission made the Authority is of the view that there is no error apparent on the face of record to entertain the Review Application. The Authority has accepted the proposal submitted by the Institute in its totality without making any disallowance. On the contrary some of the non-salary expenditure which were disallowed by the software on account of mistakes on the part of the Institute the same were allowed by the Authority and accordingly the



fees has been worked out. What was not shown & claimed in the proposal cannot be considered at the time of hearing of the Review Application. In absence of any error in decision taken by the Authority to approve the fees pointed out by the Institute, the Review Application deserves to be rejected.

Accordingly, the Review Application is rejected".

(O) Review Application No. 11/2024 filed by Alard Charitable Trust'S Alard College Of Engineering And Management, Pune (Code No. EN6325) 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. Anand Yadav, the Secretary of the Trust.
- 2. Mr. Sachin Vyavahare, the Accountant of the Institute. Heard.

The proposal submitted by the Institute for approval of fees for B.Engg. & M.Engg. course run by the Institute for the academic year 2024-2025 was considered by the Authority in its meeting held on 29/04/2024. On due consideration of the proposal the Authority has approved the fees of Rs. 47,000/per student for B.Engg. course and Rs. 32,500/- per student for M.Engg. course. Being aggrieved the Institute has preferred the Review Application.

In brief the Institute has pleaded that the Authority has disallowed certain expenditure and requested to allow the same.

On due consideration of the submission advanced the Authority has noticed that there is no error committed on the part of the Authority in determining the fees of the Institute. The Authority has allowed all the admissible expenditure related to conduct of course. The Authority has disallowed the salary expenditure towards five (5) Trustees shown in the non teaching staff for the reason the Trustees cannot be beneficiary & the expenditure being inadmissible. The expenditure like scrutiny fees paid to PMRDA by the Trust, concession given to students, audit fees of the Trust, the salary of the trustees of the Trust etc., cannot be treated as admissible expenditure to be recovered from the students as a part of fees to be charged from the students. The Authority has noticed that though in the audited income and expenditure the total expenditure of B.E & M.E shown as Rs. 4,55,82,640/- but in the proposal submitted for approval of fees the Institute has claimed the expenditure of Rs. 5,87,56,933/-. In fact the expenditure to be shown in the proposal must match with the Audited Financial Statement of the Institute. The Authority has noticed that many items of the expenditure are



claimed without supporting evidence. The Institute has failed to make out any case to entertain the Review Application. The Review Application is devoid of merit and liable to be rejected.

Accordingly, the Review Application is rejected".

Date: 27th February, 2025

Place: Mumbai

Justice Vijay L. Achliya (Retd.) Chairperson

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State of Maharashtra