



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. 20/02/2025

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 **20th 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.1: To confirm the minutes of the meeting dated 12th February, 2025 of Fees Regulating Authority.

"Discussed.

The minutes of the meeting dated 12th February, 2025 are confirmed and approved".

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.

(J)

Review Application No. 49/2024 filed by Dr. Ulhas Patil College of Agriculture, Jalgaon (Code No. BSCA11137) against the decision of the Authority finalizing the fees of the Institute/College for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.Sc.Agri. course run by the Institute.

"Mr. Shailesh Tayade, the Principal of the Institute was present.

Heard.

The Institute running B.Sc.(Agri) course submitted proposal for approval of fees for the academic year 2024-2025. The Institute has proposed and claimed the fees of Rs. 1,00,000/- per student. The proposal was considered in the meeting of Authority held on 12/06/2024. On due consideration of the proposal and evidence submitted in support of the proposal the Authority has approved the fees of Rs. 57,500/-. Being aggrieved the Institute has preferred the Review Application.

The Institute has sought the Review of the order dated 12/06/2024 finalising and approving the fees of Rs. 57,500/- for the academic year 2024-2025 with contention that the Authority has erred in treating certain expenses towards agriculture operation as excessive. It is further submitted that the Authority has erred in-treating the excess collection of fees to the tune of Rs. 37,09,302/-. It is submitted that the total strength of the 472 students shown in the proposal also include 39 repeater students. The Institute has charged the fees from 433 students as per the fees approved by the Authority. It is submitted that the collection of fees to the tune of Rs. 17,49,000/- was towards fees received from the repeater students.

On due consideration of submission advanced the Authority is of the view that so far as the contention raised & the explanation put forth about showing the expenditure much more than the agriculture income not convincing & acceptable. However as the submission made about inclusion of fees of repeater students to the tune of Rs. 17,49,000/- deserves to be considered as same found to convincing & supported with documents. Accordingly, the Review Application is partly allowed. After considering the collection of fees from 33 repeater students to the tune of Rs.17,49,000/- the revised fee is worked out as under;

Review Application No.	Name of the Institute	Course	The Revised fees approved for the A.Y. 2024-2025
49/2024	Dr. Ulhas Patil College of Agriculture, Jalgaon Code No. BSCA11137	B.Sc. (Agri)	62,000/- Per student

(K) **Review Application No. 112/2024 filed** by Pharate Patil Ayurvedic Medical College, Pune (Code No. BAMS03196) against the decision of the Authority finalizing the fees of the Institute/College for the academic year 2024-2025 in respect of B.A.M.S courses run by the Institute.

"The following were present:

1. Mr. Kailas Prabhakar, the Auditor of the Institute.
2. Mr. Navnath Nikat, the Auditor of the Institute.

Heard.

The Institute had submitted the proposal for approval of fees for the academic year 2024-2025 and confirmation and finalisation of adhoc fees charged for the previous two years in respect of B.A.M.S course run by the Institute. The proposal was considered by the Authority in its meeting held on 18/09/2024. The Institute has claimed the approval of fees of Rs. 1,23,791/- for the academic year 2024-2025. After considering the proposal the Authority has approved the fees of Rs. 1,24,000/- for the academic year 2024-2025 and same fees was approved and finalised for the previous academic years (i.e. 2022-2023 & 2023-2024) for which the Institute has charged the Adhoc fee. Being aggrieved the Institute has filed the Review Application.

On due consideration of submission advanced the Authority is of the view the Review Application filed is devoid of merit and liable to be rejected. The Authority has approved the fees as claimed by the Institute. In that view there cannot be any grievance to be entertained in the Review Application. In terms of the provisions of sec. 14(1)(a) read with sec 14(6) of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015, the Authority

has to determine the fees based upon income and expenditure of the Institute for the entire course duration. Since the Institute being newly started the Authority has assessed the fees based upon expenditure to be incurred during the entire course duration of four years. While assessing the fees as against the expenditure of Rs. 72,79,110/- shown for one year in the proposal the Authority has estimated the salary expenditure of Rs.3,35,40,000/- on projected basis for entire course duration. Similarly, the non salary expenditure Rs. 10,41,892/- shown for the one year in the proposal, the Authority has considered the said expenditure on projected basis for course duration as Rs. 67,08,000/-. So also, the usage charges of one year claimed in the proposal as Rs. 7,00,000/- the Authority has considered the same as Rs. 31,50,000/- based upon course duration. The proportionate rise of 10% rise over salary and non-salary expenses as well as equalisation factor also given while determining the reasonable fees to be charged.


Thus on due consideration of expenditure on projected basis of entire course duration the Authority has worked out the fees. The fee was worked out as Rs. 1,23,371/-. The Institute has demanded same fees. However, the Authority has rounded the figure and approved the fees of Rs. 1,24,000/- per student for the academic year 2024-2025 and same fees has been finalized and approved for the previous two academic years for which the Institute has charged the adhoc fees.

In view of above no case is made out to entertain the Review Application. The Review Application filed by the Institute found to be based upon misconception of procedure prescribed by law. No grounds are made out to entertain the Review Application. The Review Application filed is devoid of merit and liable to be rejected.

Accordingly, the Review Application is rejected".

Date: 20th February, 2025

Place: Mumbai


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