

Proceedings of the Meeting under the Chairmanship of the Principal Secretary to Governor-cum-Chancellor held on 28.04.2016 at 11.00 AM at Raj Bhavan, Patna.

A meeting of Registrars of all the Universities (Except BAU & RAU) was convened under the Chairmanship of Principal Secretary to Governor cum-Chancellor on 28.04.2016 at 11.00 AM at Raj Bhavan, Patna. The list of participants is enclosed at Annexure-1

Shri Krishendra Kumar, Special Officer (Uni.) extended a warm welcome to all the participants.

1. Compliance of resolutions taken in the Vice-Chancellors meeting held on 18.01.2016.

(i) Status of Academic and Examination Calendar 2015-2016, 2016-2017- Except J.P. University, Chapra, all the Registrars have stated that their Academic and Examination Calendar are up-to-date. Registrar, J.P. University, Chapra informed that University Administration is trying its best to streamline their Academic and Examination Calendar, and that they may be able to do this by 2017.

Registrar, B.N. Mandal University, Madhepura requested Education Department to prepare a Uniform Academic and Examination Calendar as mentioned in the Section 30 of the Bihar State Universities Act, 1976.

The Registrar, BRA Bihar University, Muzaffarpur reported that the University had already prepared its Academic Calendar.

The Registrar, Patna University, Patna reported that Academic and Examination Calendar for the year 2014-15, 2015-16 has already been prepared.

The Registrar, TMBU, Bhagalpur informed that Academic Calendar for Admission, Examination publication of results and other key activities are being strictly followed in this University.

The Registrar, VKS University reported that his University has implemented regular Academic and Calendar and also that conduct of all examinations would be completed before 10th June, 2016.

The Registrar, Magadh University, Bodhgaya reported that district administration had occupied different Colleges for election work due to which they were closed. As a result, Academic and Examinations Calendar are getting delayed and it is difficult to manage it at the ground level.

The Registrar, AKU, Patna reported that University is following the Academic Calendar for different programmes offered by the University.

The Registrar, LNMU, Darbhanga reported that this exercise has to be done.

(ii) Status of Government recognized affiliated colleges- Director, Higher Education Department assured to look into the complaints against Governing Bodies/Ad-hoc Committees of affiliated Colleges as complaints of financial irregularity and administrative anarchy were being received from several people.

The Registrar, TMBU informed that rules were strictly followed in giving affiliation to colleges and for conducting vocational courses in the University.

The Registrar, J.P University, Chapra had reported that there is no non recognized college under the jurisdiction of J.P. University, Chapra except S.K.B. College, Belwana, Kuchaikot, where admission has been allowed.

(iii) Status of [(Self-Financing) (vocational)] courses-In course of discussion, it came to notice that several courses were being conducted in Magadh University, Bodh Gaya, BRA Bihar University, Muzaffarpur, VKS University, Ara, L.N. Mithila University, Darbhanga and AKU, Patna without the approval of Hon'ble Chancellor and State Government. They were directed not to take admission in such courses in the next Academic Session. Registrars assured that no courses will be allowed to be conducted without approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor and they would stop admission in such courses from new Academic Session.

The Registrar, BRA Bihar University, Muzaffarpur informed that the courses which were not approved are not being conducted in the University.

The Registrar, Patna University, Patna reported that no course, either Self-financing / Vocational / Professional or Conventional were

being offered without approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor and State Government.

The Registrar, Bhagalpur University informed that no professional, technical or any other course were started without prior approval of H.E. the Chancellor, State Government and other technical Statutory Bodies authorized to accord such permission.

The Registrar, VKS University enclosed a list of professional courses running without the approval of Hon'ble Chancellor and State Government and informed that no new course has been initiated during last two years without prior approval of Hon'ble Chancellor or State Government.

The Registrar, Magadh University, Bodhgaya reported that he had issued instructions that no college would take admission in any course whose Ordinance and Regulations were not approved by the Hon'ble Chancellor and State Government.

It was found that AKU was running all Courses without the approval of Hon'ble Chancellor. Registrar informed that under the Act, they have to send their proposal for starting new Courses to State Government for approval and after the approval of State Government the proposal had to be approved by Hon'ble Chancellor. He was asked to follow the rules strictly and inform about the proposals sent to State Government for approval of Courses.

The Registrar, LNMU, Darbhanga reported that except B.P.Ed no course was running which did not have approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor.

The Registrar, BNMU, Madhepura reported that no self financing course was running without approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor.

(iv) Status of courses running under Distance Education Mode-It was seen that BRA Bihar University, Muzaffarpur was running study Centres beyond their territorial jurisdiction as mentioned under Section 3 of the Bihar State Universities Act, 1976 for which Registrar was directed to check the matter and take corrective measures.

The Registrar, LNMU, Darbhanga reported that a few courses were also running under distance education mode.

2. Submission of Utilization Certificate to the Education Department.

In course of discussion, most Universities informed that they have sent Utilization Certificates for grants received in the year 2015-2016.

However, Director, Higher Education complained that universities were not prompt in sending Utilization Certificate due to which salaries could not be released in time. He informed that Utilization Certificates were not received in time due to which allotment of funds to University were getting delayed. Utilization Certificates of planned head and Development fund were also not being submitted to the Department.

The Registrar, BRA Bihar University, Muzaffarpur reported that the utilization certificate was already submitted to the Department of Education on 21.04.2016

The Registrar, Patna University, Patna reported that process for submission of the Utilization Certificate is underway and would be completed on or before 07.05.2016

The Registrar, VKS University reported that the University is up-to-date with regard to submission of Utilization Certificates.

The Registrar, Magadh University, Bodhgaya reported that the university has sent their Utilization Certificates to the State Government.

The Registrar, J.P University, Chapra reported that Utilization Certificate for grants received from the State Government during the financial year 2013-14 and 2014-15 have already been submitted.

The Registrar, AKU, Patna reported that the University has sent their Utilization Certificate for the grant received in the financial year 2015-16.

The Registrar, LNMU, Darbhanga reported that Utilization Certificate for grants received from Education Department have been submitted in time.

The Registrar, BNMU, Madhepura reported that University had sent their Utilization Certificates to State Government.

3. Status of Officers appointed without the approval of Hon'ble Chancellor.

It was noticed that Registrar, Patna University, Inspector of Colleges (Arts & Commerce), Inspector of Colleges (Science) and Controller of Examinations in most of the Universities were appointed without the approval of Hon'ble Chancellor. Registrars were asked not to repeat the mistake in future otherwise it will be viewed seriously.

The Registrar, Patna University, Patna reported that some of the teachers have been directed to look after the work of Officers in addition to their own duties as a purely ad-hoc arrangement, like, Registrar, DSW, Proctor, Budget and Account Officer, Liaison Officer and Librarian.

The Registrar, Bhagalpur University informed that approval of appointment of Registrar, Inspector of College (Arts and Commerce) and Inspector of College (Science) has not yet been received.

The Registrar, VKS University reported that Officers working in the University have got approval of the Hon'ble Chancellor.

The Registrar, J.P University, Chapra reported that approval on the appointment of Controller of Examinations, Inspector of College (Arts and Commerce) and Inspector of College (Science) has not yet been obtained.

The Registrar, LNMU, Darbhanga reported that approval of Inspector of College (Arts and Commerce) and Inspector of College (Science) has not yet been obtained.

The Registrar, BNMU, Madhepura reported that approval on the appointment of Controller of Examinations, Inspector of College (Arts and Commerce) and Inspector of College (Science) has not yet been obtained.

4. Status of compliance of order passed by Hon'ble Chancellor under Section 9(4) of Bihar State Universities Act, 1976, as amended up-to-date.

The Registrar, Patna University, Patna, Magadh University, Bodh Gaya and LNMU were reminded to comply the order of Hon'ble Chancellor passed under Section 9(4) of the Bihar State Universities Act, 1976, which were communicated earlier.

The Registrar, Magadh University, Bodhgaya was reminded to comply the order in respect of Dr. Shyama Roy, Principal Nalanda Mahila College Bihar Sharif for payment of her arrears of salary and the Registrar has assured that it will be complied at once.

The Registrar, L.N Mithila University, Darbhanga was reminded to comply the order in respect of Shri Javed Ahmad, Lecturer, B.Ed Department, RK College, Madhubani and the Registrar has assured that it will be complied at once.

The Registrar, Patna University was reminded to comply the order of Hon'ble Chancellor regarding Dr. Rani Azad.

5. Status of payment of retiral benefits

In respect of payment of retiral benefits to teaching and non-teaching employees of the Universities, most of the Universities have informed that several payments of retiral benefits were pending due to non-receipt of grants from the State Government. Principal Secretary to H.E. requested Director, Higher Education, to look into the matter and take urgent necessary steps for release of grant to the Universities.

The Registrar, BRA Bihar University, Muzaffarpur reported that a request has already been made for releasing Rs. 10.54 Crores (Ten Crores fifty four lacs only) for payment of retiral benefits to the teaching and non-teaching employees of the University.

The Registrar, Patna University, Patna reported that pension & relief arrear to P.U. Teaching & Non-teaching pensioners & family pensioners (HRD) have been paid.

The Registrar, TM, Bhagalpur University informed that retiral benefits are being paid to the teaching and Non-teaching employees as per the grant received from the State Government.

The Registrar, VKS University reported that all cases of retiral benefits have been cleared except those whose services were not confirmed. The University has taken initiative for redressal of such cases.

The Registrar, Magadh University, Bodhgaya reported that cases of retiral benefits are being cleared as per grants received from the State Government.

The Registrar, J.P University, Chapra enclosed a list of teaching and non-teaching pensioners (193+267=460) and informed that university needed Rs. 32.53 Crores (Thirty two Crores, fifty three lacs only) for payment of retiral benefits to pensioners.

The Registrar, AKU, Patna reported that no case retiral benefit is pending in the University.

The Registrar, LNMU, Darbhanga reported that detailed status report was being prepared.

The Registrar, BNMU, Madhepura reported that retiral benefits were being cleared as per the grants received from the State Government.

6. To ensure timely distribution of Degree after publication of the result.

All the Universities assured that they were trying to develop the system for distribution of Degrees as early as possible after the publication of results.

The Registrar, Patna University, Patna reported that the Vice-Chancellor is authorized for distribution of under graduate degrees and the University has distributed under graduate degrees up to Feb, 2016. In case of post Graduate degrees, it would be distributed on Convocation day or after approval of Deemed date given by the Hon'ble Chancellor. He further submitted that the university is trying to ensure compliance of the order dated 05.07.2014 of UGC for alignment of degrees.

The Registrar, TM, Bhagalpur University informed that the University has already hold their Convocation in the month of April, 2016 and distributed the degrees of different Exams held up to 2015.

The Registrar, VKS University reported that the University is providing provisional degree along with mark sheets to the students just after the publication of the result and the Original Degrees were being distributed to students after approval of Deemed date/Convocation from the Chancellor Secretariat.

The Registrar, Magadh University, Bodhgaya reported that the University administration is trying its best to streamline their Examination Calendar and distribution of the Degrees.

The Registrar, J.P University, Chapra reported that the University has taken approval of the Deemed date and Convocation for distribution of Degrees.

The Registrar, AKU, Patna reported that the Degree is distributed through Convocation every year.

The Registrar, BNMU, Madhepura reported that the university administration is trying its best to streamline their examination Calendar and distribution of Degrees.

Registrars informed that premier Colleges are being made Centres of Matriculation / Intermediate Examination which is hampering Academic Calendar as well as Examination Calendar. They requested that premier Colleges be exempted from making Centres of Examination so that Academic and Examination Calendar may be streamlined.

Director, Higher Education stressed that session should start from 01 July every year and university should strive to complete all admissions by June 30 every academic year.

Director had also pointed out that Registrars of the University are not attending meetings convened by Department of Education. They send representatives to attend such important meetings of Education Department which is not a healthy trend. He also requested the Registrars to submit list of vacancies of teacher and non-teaching employees upto March 2016, to Department of Education, Government of Bihar.

Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chancellor in his address gave topmost priority to attendance of teachers. The work load of the teacher in full employment should not be less than 40 hours a week for 30 working weeks (180 teaching days) in an academic year. It was reiterated that as per statutes, Universities and its constituent colleges must observe at least 180 actual teaching days in a Six days week.

He also stressed maintenance of Academic Calendar, i.e., timely admission, regular classes at UG and PG Level, timely Examination and timely publication of results.

Principal Secretary also laid emphasis on updation of Accounts and auditing of accounts. While reviewing the status, it was found that the

accounts of LNMU, VKSU, JPU, TMBU and BNMU were not up-to-date. On the request of Registrars of these University, 03 months time were given. He asked these Universities to update their account by the end of July and report.

Principal Secretary asked all Registrars to convene regular meeting of Statutory Bodies, i.e., Syndicate, Academic Council and Senate. As per Act, all the important decisions taken by the University must be placed before these Statutory Bodies for deliberations and approval. Complaints are coming from people regarding not holding the meetings of these Statutory Bodies regularly.

Principal Secretary also stressed that in order to have speedy disposal of the Grievances on account of various nature of problems Universities should set up three cells as already directed-

- (A) Grievances Cell - To be headed by Pro-Vice Chancellor
- (B) Pension Cell - To be headed by FA/FO
- (C) Students Cell - To be headed by Controller of Examinations.

For Welfare of Students with regard to problems concerning holding of examination/Issue of Registration/Publication of Results/Distribution of Degrees/Clearing Backlog of Mark Sheets & Degrees etc. The aforesaid Cells will fix a time on all working days to listen to the Grievances of the petitioners.

Principal Secretary also asked Universities to prepare a list of faculty members who were on lien.

The meeting ended on a cordial note with vote of thanks.


(Dr. E.L.S.N. Bala Prasad)

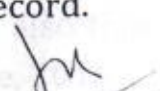
Principal Secretary to Governor

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1. All the Registrar of Universities of Bihar for information and compliance of the resolution of the meeting positively.
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Principal Secretary to Governor