Proceedings of the meeting to review different initiatives of State Government for betterment of Higher Education and other issues concerned with upkeep and maintenance of Governor's Secretariat with Chief Secretary and other senior officers of State Government, under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Chancellor and H.E. the Governor of Bihar at Raj Bhavan, Patna, at 12.30 PM.

## Present - As per Annexure 'A'

A meeting with Chief Secretary and other top officials of State Government was convened under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Chancellor and H.E. the Governor of Bihar on 29.04.2019 at 12.30 PM at Raj Bhavan, Patna, to review the steps taken by Deptt. of Education for the betterment of Higher Education and some other issues which required the intervention of State Government. Shri Vivek Kumar Singh, Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chancellor and H.E. the Governor of Bihar, welcomed the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Bihar, The Development Commissioner, The Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Education, all the Principal Secretaries, Vice-Chancellors and other participants on behalf of the Hon'ble Chancellor.

Principal Secretary flagged the issues which were central to the meeting deliberations. They included recruitment of Assistant Professors to overcome shortage of faculty, creation of University Administrative and Finance Services, appointment of regular Principals, construction of Stadium and Auditorium in every University, Digitization and Automation of Universities, NAAC accreditation of all the colleges, affiliation of colleges within time limit, release of fund to Universities for conduct of EKLAVAYA and

TARANG events, H.Ed. Post, Blue prints for Higher Education, posting of additional officials in the Raj Bhavan, streamlining the budget & decision making mechanism of Raj Bhavan, Patna and other issues concerned with maintenance and upkeep of Raj Bhavan and others.

Principal Secretary stated that all the 260 Constituent colleges should ultimately, as soon as possible, be brought under NAAC umbrella. Some colleges especially colleges of Patna University, Patna should be developed as Centre of Excellence, so that they can achieve ranking under National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF).

Hon'ble Chancellor, in his address, emphasized on following points:-

- 1. He appreciated the co-operation and support received from State Government, especially from Department of Education for enhancing the standards of Higher Education in the State.
- 2. Funds released for construction of building and other works by the Department of Education in different Universities of Bihar should be spent in a transparent manner. Leakages must be avoided at any costs.
- 3. Prompt and active co-operation of district police and administration is required for smooth, free and fair functioning of Universities and creation of a conducive atmosphere in the campus.
- 4. Universities should strictly check admission in colleges without proper affiliation. Colleges should be prohibited from admitting students without proper affiliation by State Government. Students career should not be jeopardized.

- Bihar State executed by work being 5. Quality Development Corporation Infrastructure Educational (BSEIDC) and other construction agencies should be properly supervised. A certificate from Principals of the colleges or Vice-Chancellor of the University should be obtained about the quality of work and only after obtaining the fitness / quality certificate, payment should be made. Development Commissioner was asked to get enquiry done with regard to quality of construction and standard of furniture supplied, in the hostels of Patna University by BSEIDC.
- 6. Vice-Chancellors of the University must have proper control over their subordinate officials. Junior staff and officers should not be allowed to put a hindrance on the smooth and proper working of University. Staff and Junior officials should be transferred at regular intervals, as per Government norms.

After the address of Hon'ble Chancellor, Shri R.K Mahajan, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Education, stated that no college should be allowed to take admission without the affiliation of college by Department of Education. By 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2019, Department of Education would finally decide all cases of recommendations received from different Universities about affiliation of the colleges.

He also stated that Vice-Chancellor should report against poor quality of work and if required appropriate action may be initiated against the erring contractors / agencies.

After the initial address of Hon'ble Chancellor following points were discussed.

1. Recruitment of Assistant Professors – ACS, Department of Education, stated that out of 3364 vacancies sent to BPSC, it has recommended for appointment of 1606 Assistant Professors, remaining 1758 Assistant Professors, would be appointed in two to three months time.

After the constitution of University Service Commission, vacant posts of teachers need to be filled up on a priority basis. Director, Higher Education would convene a meeting of Registrars of different Universities by 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 to finalize roster-wise vacancies for Assistant Professors for placing requisition before the University Service Commission by the end of May, 2019.

2. Recruitment and reservation procedure clarity for appointment of non-teaching staffs- ACS, Department of Education, clarified that for appointment of Class III and Class IV staff, Vice-Chancellors were the competent authority. Vice-Chancellor should submit their requirement to Department of Education, so that approval may be granted.

For roster clearance of reservation of Class-III and Class IV employees, it was clarified that reservation roster must be submitted to respective Divisional Commissioners for clearance, as per established norms.

3. Creation of University Administrative Service and University Finance Service – It was decided to set up University Administrative Service and University Finance Service for creating a regular hierarchy of officials to be promoted and posted as Registrars and Finance Officers, respectively. Principal Secretary to the Governor would convene a meeting of senior officers of the Education, Finance and Law department for preparing a memorandum for creation of

- these cadres and to see if suitable amendments were required in the existing provisions of the concerned Acts.
- 4. IT cadre for universities- It was decided that post of IT Managers should be created in Universities and Data Entry Operators must be placed in colleges, as per requirement.
- 5. Recruitment of Principals- Since Principals have also been included in the definition of teachers, University Service Commission may have to be given the task to appoint Principals also. Education department may look into the matter and take necessary legal and administrative steps.
- Professors to the post of Professors- Promotion of Associate Professors to the rank of Professors may have to be done through University Service Commission. Education department may take necessary steps, accordingly.
- 7. Outdoor stadium, indoor stadium, auditorium and swimming pool in each University It was unanimously felt that all Universities must have basic sports and culture infrastructure i.e., outdoor stadium, indoor stadium, auditorium and swimming pool, for the benefit of the students and staff. As the Universities do not have the requisite technical skills to prepare designs/ estimates of the same, it was decided that Chief Architect, BCD would provide model design / estimates of these structures by the end of May, 2019. The Universities which already have some or all of these facilities may think of upgrading them, if required. It was suggested that on an average, a sum of Rs. 10 crore for each University may be earmarked for this purpose for the year 2019-20.

- 8. Compensation of women's colleges- It was decided to compensate the women's colleges on the basis agreed upon in the last financial year. It was resolved to include Post Graduate Departments also for such compensation.
- 9. Funds for labs and libraries ACS, Department of Education, assured to release funds for upkeep of libraries and making laboratories functional, as was done last year.
- 10.Service conditions of Registrars and FOs- ACS, Department of Education, informed that opinion of Department of Finance was being sought. It will be sent after receiving the concurrence of Department of Finance.
- 11. Digitisation infrastructure in 24 selected institutions- ACS, Department of Education, assured to release grants for creating digitization infrastructure. Universities were requested to submit their proposals at the earliest.
- 12. Infrastructure for NAAC accreditation- ACS, Department of Education, informed that funds for creation of basic infrastructure for NAAC accreditation would be provided to colleges and Universities.

He requested Universities to submit their proposal after proper scrutiny.

13. Life Senate member issue- Chief Secretary, Govt. of Bihar suggested that life membership of Senate should not be linked with monetary donations. If at all such endowments were felt necessary, it was suggested to enhance the minimum amount of donations from Rs. 1 Lakh to Rs. 100 Lakhs. (Rs. One hundred lakhs only). Education department was asked to take a final call on this matter by the end of June, 2019.

14. Transparency and adherence of timelines in affiliation-ACS, Department of Education, informed that all the proposals received from different Universities for affiliation of colleges would be decided by 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

He informed that some Universities have submitted wrong and erroneous proposals. He requested Vice-Chancellors to properly scrutinise proposals for affiliation and refrain from submitting proposals. It was decided that appropriate administrative and legal action would be taken by the Universities against inspection committee members who submitted false reports. Vice-Chancellors were asked to ensure adherence of the norms for affiliation before forwarding the matter to the Education department.

- 15. **PMU** for NIRF and CoE- It was decided to develop premier colleges of the State as Centres of Excellence, so that they were capable of competing for National Institutional for Ranking Framework (NIRF). A Project Monitoring Unit comprising professionals would be set up at Patna University to take this forward.
- 16. Funds for UMIS- ACS, Department of Education, assured to release additional funds for adoption of University Management Information System, as and when specific proposals came from the Universities.
- 17. Funds for H.Ed. Post- ACS, Department of Education, assured to release funds as per requirement for H.Ed. Post.
- 18. Biometric data analysis mechanism- It was resolved to monitor attendance of teachers and non-teaching staffs on the basis of Biometric Attendance System (BAS). Number of days and time spent by faculty and staff should be strictly monitored.

It was decided that instead of making payment to vendors for mere installation of biometric machines (which doesn't serve much purpose), payments to vendors may be made only on the basis of monthly reports and analysis of the biometric data drawn from the operational machines set up by the vendors. It was felt that the biometric machine being installed through BSEIDC were not serving any real purpose and accordingly remedial measures for quick improvements were suggested. Development Commissioner was requested to look into it.

- 19. Infrastructure/posts for new universities- ACS, Department of Education, assured that all the assistance would be provided as per requirement, to the three newly constituted Universities, namely Patliputra University, Patna, Purena University, Purnea & Munger University, Munger.
- 20. Preparation of Blue prints for Higher Education Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Chancellor briefed that for comprehensive development of HEIs (Higher Education Institutions) of the State, a blueprint was being drafted subsequent to a national seminar held on 4-5<sup>th</sup> February. It was made clear that such a large-scale exercise would require adequate financial infusions. ACS, Education, assured to make necessary provisions for the implementation of the blueprint.
- 21. Expenditure monitoring mechanism of universities- It was resolved to monitor expenditure through software / apps and regular review of University closely, to ensure transparency in payments and check leakages. Education department was requested to do the same.
- 22. Timely release of funds for Tarang and Eklavya- ACS, Department of Education assured that timely funds would be released

for conduct of EKLAVYA and TARANG events in all the Universities, like last year.

He also assured that additional funds would be released to Nodal Universities, Patliputra University, Patna and TMBU, Bhagalpur for conduct of TARANG and EKLAVYA event in 2019.

- 23. Har Parisar, Hara Parisar- Principal Chief Forest Conservator, Bihar stated that all Divisional Forest Officers would be directed to consult Vice-Chancellors / Principals of the concerned University/ colleges for launch of Plantation Drive on unused available land in colleges and Universities. He assured to submit district-wise/ institution-wise plantation plan by the end of May, 2019.
- 24. Solar power in HEIs- Director, BREDA informed that by 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2019 all the proposals received from Universities and colleges for installation of Solar Power Plant would be acted upon.
- 25. Rajendra Mandap- It was informed by Chief Engineer, Building Construction Department that the proposals for renovation of Rajendra Mandap would be submitted for approval to the Cabinet Deptt.. Principal Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat., said that approval would be given before the end the May, 2019.
- 26. Swimming Pool- It was informed that tender for renovation of existing Swimming pool and installation of Filtration Plant would be floated after completion of Parliamentary Election.
- 27. Upgradation of Annexe Building- It was assured that the process of renovation of Annexe Building would be completed shortly.
- 28. Renovation of Darbar Hall, Raj Bhavan, Patna- Chief Secretary, Government of Bihar directed the Chief Architect, BCD, to entrust the task of renovation and beautification of Darbar Hall and

Sitting room on the first floor to competent empanelled interior designer.

The process should be completed in 15 days time.

- 29. **Coffee table book-** It was resolved to print upgraded version of Coffee Table Book "The First Address". Secretary, Information & Public Relations Department stated that services of good publisher would be taken to ensure desirable quality.
- 30. Payment to photographer- Secretary, I& PRD assured that funds would be sub-allotted to Governor's Secretariat for payment of salary to photographer and for other works as is done in the case of DD, PR at different Divisional headquarters.
- 31. Deputation of a regular Sound Operator (TO)- Secretary, I& PRD informed that a regular Sound Operator (TO) would be deputed soon.
- **32. Payment for paintings-** Principal Secretary, Art & Culture, assured that payment for painting would be released very soon.
- 33. Installation and construction of Sculpture in the campus of Raj Bhavan, Patna- Principal Secretary, Art & Culture informed that campus of Raj Bhavan would be surveyed for installation and construction of Sculptures, as desired.
- 34. Availability of Helicopter for Hon'ble Governor- Principal Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat Department assured that Helicopter whould be provided to Hon'ble Governor without any hassle. He informed that due to defective engine, State Government's Helicopter was grounded and it would be repaired in 15 days time.

One more Helicopter would be hired soon so that Hon'ble Governor's field programmes were not hindered at any cost.

35. DPR for construction of Super Speciality Hospital on the land of Maternity and Child Welfare Society at Bhanwar Pokhar,

Patna – Principal Secretary, Deptt. of Health informed that a DPR of Rs. 44.03 Crore (Rs. Forty four crore, three lacs only) was prepared for construction of a Super Specialty Hospital on the land of Maternity and Child Welfare Society at Bhanwar Pokhar, Patna. The proposal would be submitted to State Government for approval of State Cabinet. A separate PPP proposal for O & M of the proposed facility would soon be floated with the help of a Transaction Adviser.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

Sd/-(Vivek Kumar Singh) Principal Secretary to Governor-cum-Chancellor, Universities of Bihar

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The Principal Secretary, Deptt. of Finance, Govt. of Bihar

The Principal Secretary, Building Construction Deptt., Govt. of Bihar

The Principal Secretary, Deptt. of Art & Culture, Govt. of Bihar

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The Secretary, Information Technology, Govt. of Bihar

The Secretary, Information & Public Relations Deptt., Govt. of Bihar

The Director, BREDA, Govt. of Bihar

The Director, Civil Aviation, Patna

II. All the Vice-Chancellors, Universities of Bihar

III. Prof. R.C. Sobti, Consultant, Higher Education, Governor's Secretariat, Bihar / Concerned officers of Governor's Secretariat, Patna./ Shri Bijay Kumar, tech. Director, NIC for uploading on the website of the Raj Bhavan, Patna / Guard file for record.

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## Attendance for the Meeting regarding betterment of Higher Education Scheduled on 29-04-2019 at 12:30 P.M. in Raj Bhayan, Patna.

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