code of Professional Ethics

Revision of Pay Scales of Teachers in Non-Agricultural Universities, National Law University, Affiliated Colleges, Government Colleges/Institutes as per 7th Central Pay Commission and UGC Regulations on minimum qualifications for appointment of teachers and other academic staff in universities and colleges and measure for the maintenance of standards in Higher Education, 2018.

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA

Higher & Technical Education Department Government Resolution No. Misc-2018/C.R.56/18/UNI-1

Mantralaya Annex, Mumbai – 400 032 Date: 08 March, 2019

Read:-

- Government Resolution, Higher and Technical Education Department No. NGC-2009/ (243/09)-Uni.1, dated 12th August, 2009.
- 2. Government of India MHRD letter No. 1-7/2015-U.II (1), dated 2nd November, 2017.
- 3. Government of India MHRD letter No. Corrigendum F.No.1-7/2015-U.II (1), dated 8th November, 2017.
- 4. Government of India MHRD letter No. 1-4/2017-U.II, dated 28th January, 2019.
- 5. UGC letter No. F.No.23-4/2017 (PS), dated 31st January, 2018.
- 6. The Gazette of India: Extraordinary, Part III-Section 4, dated 18th July, 2018.
- 7. The Maharashtra Public University Act, 2016

Preamble:-

University Grants Commission vide its letter dated 31st January, 2018 mentioned that the Government of India MHRD, Department of Higher Education, New Delhi vide its letter dated 2nd November 2017 regarding revision of 7th Pay of teachers and equivalent orders in universities and colleges following the revision of pay scales of Central Government employees on the recommendations of the 7th Central Pay Commission and to say that the State Government may take action to adopt the Government of India's scheme for State Universities and colleges.

The revision of Pay Scales of teachers and equivalent academic staff shall be subject to provisions of the scheme of revision of Pay scales as contained in letter dated 2nd November, 2017 and regulation issued by UGC dated 18th July, 2018 and amendments thereof from time to time in this behalf.

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c) Inter-se seniority between the direct recruited and teachers promoted under CAS

The inter-se seniority of a direct recruit shall be determined with reference to the date of
joining and for the teachers promoted under the CAS with reference to the date of eligibility
as indicated in the recommendations of the selection committee of the respective candidates.
The Rules and regulations of the State Government shall apply, for all other matters of
seniority.

22.0. Code of Professional Ethics

I. Teachers and their Responsibilities:

Whoever adopts teaching as a profession assumes the obligation to conduct himself / herself in accordance with the ideal of the profession. A teacher is constantly under the scrutiny of his students and the society at large. Therefore, every teacher should see that there is no incompatibility between his precepts and practice. The national ideals of education which have already been set forth and which he/she should seek to inculcate among students must be his/her own ideals. The profession further requires that the teacher should be calm, patient and communicative by temperament and amiable in disposition.

Teacher should:

- i. Adhere to a responsible pattern of conduct and demeanor expected of them by the community;
- ii. Manage their private affairs in a manner consistent with the dignity of the profession;
- iii. Seek to make professional growth continuous through study and research;
- iv. Express free and frank opinion by participation at professional meetings, seminars, conferences etc., towards the contribution of knowledge;
- v. Maintain active membership of professional organizations and strive to improve education and profession through them;
- vi. Perform their duties in the form of teaching, tutorials, practicals, seminars and research work, conscientiously and with dedication;
- vii. Discourage and not indulge in plagiarism and other non ethical behaviour in teaching and research;
- viii. Abide by the Act, Statute and Ordinance of the University and to respect its ideals, vision, mission, cultural practices and tradition;
- ix. Co-operate and assist in carrying out the functions relating to the educational responsibilities of the college and the university, such as: assisting in appraising applications for admission, advising and counselling students as well as assisting the



- conduct of university and college examinations, including supervision, invigilation and evaluation; and
- x. Participate in extension, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, including the community service.

II. Teachers and Students

Teachers should:

- i. Respect the rights and dignity of the student in expressing his/her opinion;
- Deal justly and impartially with students regardless of their religion, cast gender, political, economic, social and physical characteristics;
- iii. Recognise the difference in aptitude and capabilities among students and strive to meet their individual needs;
- iv. Encourage students to improve their attainments, develop their personalities and at the same time contribute to community welfare;
- v. Inculcate among students scientific temper, spirit of inquiry and ideals of democracy, patriotism, social justice, environmental protection and peace;
- vi. Treat the students with dignity and not behave in a vindictive manner towards any of them for any reason;
- vii. Pay attention to only the attainment of the student in the assessment of merit;
- viii. Make themselves available to the students even beyond their class hours and help and guide students without any remuneration or reward;
- ix. Aid students to develop an understanding of our national heritage and national goals; and
- x. Refrain from inciting students against other students, colleagues or administration.

III. Teachers and Colleagues

Teachers should:

- i. Treat other members of the profession in the same manner as they themselves wish to be treated;
- ii. Speak respectfully of other teachers and render assistance for professional betterment;
- iii. Refrain from making unsubstantiated allegations against colleagues to higher authorities; and
- iv. Refrain from allowing considerations of caste, creed, religion, race or sex in their professional endeavour.



IV. Teachers and Authorities

Teachers should:

- Discharge their professional responsibilities according to the existing Rules and adhere to procedures and methods consistent with their profession in initiating steps through their own institutional bodies and / or professional organizations for change of any such Rule detrimental to the professional interest;
- Refrain from undertaking any other employment and commitment, including private tuitions and coaching classes which are likely to interfere with their professional responsibilities;
- iii. Co-operate in the formulation of policies of the institution by accepting various offices and discharge responsibilities which such offices may demand;
- iv. Co-operate through their organizations in the formulation of policies of the other institutions and accept offices;
- v. Co-operate with the authorities for the betterment of the institutions keeping in view the interest and in conformity with the dignity of the profession;
- vi. Adhere to the terms of contract;
- vii. Give and expect due notice before a change of position takes place; and
- viii. Refrain from availing themselves of leave except on unavoidable grounds and as far as practicable with prior intimation, keeping in view their particular responsibility for completion of academic schedule.

V. Teachers and Non-Teaching Staff

Teachers should:

- i. Treat the non-teaching staff as colleagues and equal partners in a cooperative undertaking, within every educational institution;
- ii. Help in the functioning of joint-staff councils covering both the teachers and the non-teaching staff.

VI. Teachers and Guardians

Teachers should:

Try to see through teachers' bodies and organizations, that institutions maintain contact with the guardians, their students, send reports of their performance to the guardians whenever necessary and meet the guardians in meetings convened for the purpose for mutual exchange of ideas and for the benefit of the institution.



VII. Teachers and Society

Teachers should:

- i. Recognize that education is a public service and strive to keep the public informed of the educational programmes which are being provided;
- ii. Work to improve education in the community and strengthen the community's moral and intellectual life;
- iii. Be aware of social problems and take part in such activities as would be conducive to the progress of society and hence the country as a whole;
- iv. Perform the duties of citizenship, participate in community activities and shoulder responsibilities of public offices;
- v. Refrain from taking part in or subscribing to or assisting in any way activities, which tend to promote feeling of hatred or enmity among different communities, religions or linguistic groups but actively work for national integration.

VIII. The Vice-Chancellor/Pro-Vice-chancellor/Rector

The Vice-Chancellor/Pro-Vice-chancellor/Rector should:

- a) Provide inspirational and motivational value-based academic and executive leadership to the university through policy formation, operational management, organization of human resources and concern for environment and sustainability;
- b) Conduct himself/herself with transparency, fairness, honesty, highest degree of ethics and decision making that is in the best interest of the university;
- Act as steward of the university's assets in managing the resources responsibility, optimally, effectively and efficiently for providing a conductive working and learning environment;
- d) Promote the collaborative, shared and consultative work culture in the university, paving way for innovative thinking and ideas;
- e) Endeavour to promote a work culture and ethics that brings about quality, professionalism, satisfaction and service to the nation and society;
- f) Refrain from allowing consideration of caste, creed, religion, race, gender or sex in their professional Endeavour.



IX. College Principal

College Principal should:

- a) Provide inspirational and motivational value-based academic and executive leadership to the college through policy formation, operational management, organization of human resources and concern for environment and sustainability;
- b) Conduct himself/herself with transparency, fairness, honesty, highest degree of ethics and decision making that is in the best interest of the college;
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- e) Endeavour to promote a work culture and ethics that brings about quality, professionalism, satisfaction and service to the nation and society;
- f) Adhere to a responsible pattern of conduct and demeanor expected of them by the community;
- g) Manage their private affairs in a manner consistent with the dignity of the profession;
- h) Discourage and not indulge in plagiarism and other non ethical behavior in teaching and research;
- Participate in extension, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, including the community service;
- j) Refrain from allowing consideration of caste, creed, religion, race, gender or sex in their professional Endeavour.

X. Director Physical Education and Sports (University/ College)/ Librarian (University/College)

Director Physical Education and Sports (University/ College)/ Librarian (University/College) should:

- a) Adhere to a responsible pattern of conduct and demeanor expected of them by the community;
- b) Manage their private affairs in a manner consistent with the dignity of the profession;
- c) Discourage and not indulge in plagiarism and other non ethical behavior in teaching and research;



- d) Participate in extension, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, including the community service;
- e) Refrain from allowing consideration of caste, creed, religion, race, gender or sex in their professional Endeavour.

23.0. Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education Institutions

In order to maintain the academic standards in higher education, the following recommendations shall be adopted by the respective Universities/Colleges/Institutions:

- i. The process of evaluation for Ph.D. shall be uniform in all the universities in accordance with the respective UGC Regulations and their amendments from time to time, in this regard. The Universities shall adopt these Rules within six months of their notification.
- ii. There shall be special provision of supernumerary Ph.D. seats not exceeding 10% of the total seats available in the department, if there is no vacant seat available with the eligible Supervisors in that department, to the in-service teachers for encouraging the faculty members of colleges and universities for getting a Ph.D. degree.
- iii. In order to encourage research and increase country's research output, Universities shall accord permission and provide need-based facility for college teachers to supervise Ph.D./M.Phil. Scholars. Universities shall amend their Statutes and Ordinances accordingly.
- iv. All newly-recruited faculty members shall be provided one-time seed money/start up grant/research grant for establishing a basic research/computational facility as per the provisions laid down in these Rules.
- v. The Ph.D. degree shall be made a mandatory requirement for recruitment and promotions in accordance with the provisions laid down in these Rules.
- vi. Research clusters shall be created amongst the universities/colleges/research institutions within the state for sharing research facilities, human resources, skills and infrastructure to ensure optimal utilization of resources and to create synergies among higher education institutions.
- vii. An induction programme of one month shall be introduced for all newly-recruited Assistant Professors in the universities /colleges/institutions ideally before the starting of their teaching work, but definitely within one year of the recruitment of the new faculty member. In addition to the Human Resource Development Centers of the UGC, Universities/Institutions with the Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching (PMMMNMTT) scheme shall also organize such induction programmes as per their mandate.

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