

**MINUTES OF THE 11TH MEETING OF THE PROJECT APPROVAL
BOARD (PAB) OF RUSA HELD ON 06th FEBRUARY, 2017**

The 11th meeting of the RUSA PAB was held on 06th February, 2017 at 15.00 hrs in Maple Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi, under the Chairmanship of Sh. Vinay Sheel Oberoi, Secretary (HE), MHRD.

The list of participants is attached in Annexure II.

The Joint Secretary, MHRD & National Mission Director (NMD), RUSA welcomed the members of the PAB and the participating states.

In his opening remarks, the Chairman of the PAB and Secretary (HE) stated that RUSA has begun to make a pan India impact, especially with regard to issues of access, equity and quality. He outlined several national initiatives and measures which were being undertaken at the national level and urged the States to make use of these initiatives. He emphasised on the Government's commitment to strengthen Teacher Training in higher education through induction training programs for newly recruited teachers. He laid emphasis on the need to modify, shape, rectify the existing curriculum and pedagogy. He also referred to the new initiatives viz. National Academic Depository (NAD) and the National Testing Service (NTS) which was recently announced by the Finance Minister in his budget speech.

The Chair highlighted the need to lessen the pressure and burden of the students alluded to the problem of mark inflation. He further emphasized the need to take advantage of technology enabled platforms like MOOCs, INFLIBNET, SWAYAM and use of Mobile Technology for enhancement of knowledge. He also pointed to the recent UGC regulation which provides for 20% credit for online courses. He reiterated the need for providing autonomy to universities and the need for them to use their independence with proper accountability mechanisms. The Chair also stated that while going forward,

States need to create DTH facilities for teachers to prepare lectures in local languages especially in remote areas. He further urged the States to explore possibilities of set-top box equipped in classrooms to enable teachers and students to access the study and training material on DTH platforms.

The Secretary (HE) also stated that the newly launched TEQIP III program provides support for technical educational institutions in 8 north-eastern states and low income group states. He reiterated that there has been a lot of innovation coming from RUSA and that RUSA is more than just a scheme. The program has resulted in strengthening of higher education in states and has changed the face of education in the nation. He concluded his observations by requesting States and Institutions to look at new forms of fee structures to support institutional financing and once again pointed to the need for curriculum reforms which must reflect the advances in knowledge creation and employability. He urged the States to recruit adequate good faculty which would pave a pathway for good quality in higher education.

With the permission of the Chair, the agenda items were taken up.

AGENDA ITEM 1

PAB Decision: Confirmed the minutes of the 10th meeting of PAB held on 2nd Feb 2016.

AGENDA ITEM 2

APPRAISAL OF THE PROPOSALS RECEIVED FROM THE STATES

CHANDIGARH (UT)

Component 3-Infrastructure Grants to Universities:

Proposal: The UT has proposed for infrastructure grants to Punjab University. An amount of Rs 20 crores was proposed by the UT under infrastructure grants to universities.

PAB Decision: Since the University is already receiving funds from MHRD, the PAB did not approve Punjab University for funding under infrastructure grants. Moreover, it was stated that the University is an inter-state body corporate and as such, is ***not eligible for RUSA grants.***

Component 5 - Upgradation to MDC:

Proposal: The UT has proposed upgradation of 4 existing Government degree colleges to MDCs for an amount of Rs. 16 crore.

PAB Decision: ***PAB did not approve the proposed colleges for upgradation since the target for the same has already been achieved.***

Component 7-Infrastructure Grants to Colleges:

Proposal: The UT has submitted proposals for 16 colleges under infrastructure grants to colleges for an amount of Rs. 31.29 crore. The infrastructure grants proposed are to be utilized by the participating colleges for strengthening existing infrastructure or creation of new laboratories, to acquire and develop

learning resources, purchase of furniture and fixture to acquire and built ICT resources, modernization of libraries, strengthening of supporting departments and carrying out civil works such as new class rooms, computer centres /labs etc.

Out of 16 colleges, 11 colleges are valid NAAC accredited, with 7 having Grade A & 4 having Grade B. 4 colleges have submitted LoI to NAAC and peer team visit is under way. 1 college is not accredited.

PAB decision: PAB *accorded approval for the total amount of Rs 20 cr for 10 Colleges* (7 with Grade A, 3 with Grade B++ The list of colleges approved for infrastructure grants is appended in the table given below.

Component 9- Equity Initiatives:

Proposal: Under equity initiatives, the UT proposed for an amount of Rs. 3.98 crore for 16 colleges and 1 university.

PAB Decision: Since the proposal lacked sufficient details and information, the *PAB did not approve* the same.

Component 12: Vocationalization of Higher Education

Proposal: The UT of Chandigarh has proposed for Certificate /Diploma/Advance Diploma courses in the areas such as Retail management, Stock market, Food processing, Financial Services, IT, Journalism, Heritage craft in 9 colleges for an amount of Rs 4.515 cr.

Although the proposals provided the details with respect to the courses to be offered which are NSQF compliant, it did not contain complete information.

PAB Decision: *PAB asked the UT to come back with a comprehensive proposal.*

Other proposals:

Proposals: In addition to above, the UT had also proposed for the UT as a unit) an amount of Rs 6.23cr for Institutional restructuring & reforms; Capacity building & preparation, data collection & planning; MIS (Management Information System) MMER (Management Monitoring, Evaluation and Research)

PAB Decision: As these components are being supported under Preparatory grants and MMER, ***PAB did not accord approval for the same***

The PAB noted that the decision should not be publicised as directed by the Election Commission of India and that the decision will come to effect only after the Model Code of Conduct comes to an end.

Funding Abstract of Chandigarh (UT)

PAB approved a total of Rs 20 crores under Component no. 7 namely infrastructural grants to colleges for 10 colleges.

S. No.	Component	Physical no.	Funds Recommended			
			Total	Central Share	State Share	Condition
1	Component 7: Infrastructure grant to colleges	10	20	20	NA	10 Colleges with live accreditation of B++ or above.
	Total		20	20	0	

List of colleges recommended under Infrastructure Grants to Colleges

S.No	Name of the College	NAAC Grade	Accreditati on valid up to	Amount approved
1	Post Graduate Government college for Girls, Sector -42	A	14/11/2020	2 cr
2	PG Government College for Girls Sector -11	A	18/02/2021	2 cr
3	Post Graduate Govt College Sector -46	A	14/11/2020	2 cr
4	Government Home Science College Sector 10	A	17/11/2021	2 cr
5	MCM DAV College Sector -36	A	2/12/2021	2 cr
6	Dev Samaj College for Women Sector -45B	A	30/04/2020	2 cr
7	DAV College Sector -10	A	18/02/2021	2 cr
8	Regional Institute of English, Sector -32C	B++	24/05/2021	2 cr
9	Sri Guru Gobind Singh College Sector 26	B++	16/03/2021	2 cr
10	G G S College for women Sector 26	B++	20/02/2019	2 cr
	Total			20 cr

Kerala:

Component 3: Infrastructure grants to Universities

Proposal: The State has submitted a proposal for an amount of Rs.40 cr under infrastructure grants to 2 Universities (@Rs 20 cr each) for creation of new facilities such as hostels , toilets, laboratories; Renovation / upgradation of existing faculties such as academic building administrative building and for purchase of new equipment's such as computers e resources etc.

PAB decision: *PAB accorded approval to both the Universities* having valid NAAC accreditation. An amount of Rs 40 cr was approved for Cochin University of Science and Technology and Kannur University (@Rs. 20 cr each).

Component 7: Infrastructure grants to colleges

Proposal: The State has submitted a proposal for an amount of Rs. 18 cr under infrastructure grants to 9 colleges (@Rs 2 cr each) for creation of new facilities such as hostels, toilets, laboratories; Renovation / upgradation of existing faculties such as academic building administrative building and for purchase of new equipment's such as computers e-resources etc.

PAB Decision: PAB *approved infrastructure grants to 2 colleges* with Grade A & B++ NAAC accreditation for a total amount of Rs 4 cr(@Rs. 2 cr each).

Funding Abstract of Kerala

PAB approved a total of Rs 44 crores under 2 components namely infrastructural grants to Universities (for 2 universities) and infrastructural grants to colleges (for the 2 colleges) PAB approved only A & B++ and above graded Colleges for infrastructure grants to colleges

(Rs in Cr.)

S. No.	Component	Physical units	Funds recommended			
			Total	Central Share (60%)	State Share (40%)	Condition for release
1	Component 3: Infrastructure grants to Universities	2	40	24	16	None
2	Component7: Infrastructure grant to colleges	2	4	2.4	1.6	None
	Total		44	26.4	17.6	None

List of Institutions recommended under Infrastructure grants to Universities

(Rs in Cr)

S.No	Name of the University	NAAC Status	Amount
1.	Cochin University of Science and Technology, Kochi	A	20
2.	Kannaur University	B	20
	Total		40

List of Institutions recommended under Infrastructure grants to Colleges

(Rs in Cr)

Sl No	Name of College	NAAC/NBA Status	Period of Validity w.e.f
1.	Govt. College, Nattakam P.O, Kottayam Dt.	A Grade,	5 Years 16 th Sept. 2016
2.	Thunchan Memorial Govt. College, Triur, Malappuram	B++ Grade,	5 years 16 rd Sept 2016

MIZORAM

Proposal: State has furnished a proposal for 72 additional permanent posts for a total amount of Rs. 12.528 cr. The State fulfils the desired conditionality of having filled at least 85% of sanctioned faculty positions in regular mode (646 filled up out of 740 sanctioned posts, i.e. 87.3% filled).

PAB Decision: The PAB ***accorded approval for creation of 72 additional permanent posts*** under Faculty Recruitment Support in 24 colleges (each college 3 post) ***for the period 2016-17 to 2019-20 @ 5.8 lakh per annum*** for each post subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) The State will create 72 permanent posts, in addition to the existing 740 sanction posts, which will be as per the UGC pay scales.
- (ii) Further, it has agreed to take over the entire liabilities created by these positions post the funding period. No liabilities will be borne by the Government of India beyond this period.

The PAB thus approved a total of Rs. 12.528 crore for faculty recruitment in 24 colleges for 72 posts, subject to the above conditions. The State was also asked to adhere to these conditions scrupulously and to fill up the vacancies before the commencement of Academic Session for 2017-2018.

Funding Abstract of Mizoram

S. No.	Component	Physical Units (Number)	Funds recommended (Rs.in Cr)			
			Total	Central Share (90%)	State Share (10%)	Conditions for release
1	Component 10: Faculty Recruitment Support	72 posts in 24 colleges	12.528	11.2752	1.2528	Conditional approval. Sanctioning of 72 additional permanent posts.
	Total		12.528	11.2752	1.2528	

Details of Institutions for approval under Faculty Recruitment

S. No	Colleges (under Govt. of Mizoram)	Total Assistant Professors Additional (Proposed) (Number)	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total (in Lakh)
1	Govt.Aizawl College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
2	Govt. Hrangbana College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
3	Govt. Zirtiri Residential Science College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
4	Govt. Aizawl North College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2

S. No	Colleges (under Govt. of Mizoram)	Total Assistant Professors Additional (Proposed) (Number)	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total (in Lakh)
5	Govt. Aizawl West College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
6	Govt. J. Thankima College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
7	Govt. Johnson College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
8	Govt. T. Romana College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
9	Govt. Saitual College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
10	Institute of Advanced Study in Education	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
11	Mizoram Law College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
12	Govt. Hindi Training	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
13	Lunglei Govt. College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
14	Govt. J. Buana College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
15	Govt. Hnahthial College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
16	Govt. Champhai College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
17	Govt. Khawzawl College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2

S. No	Colleges (under Govt. of Mizoram)	Total Assistant Professors Additional (Proposed) (Number)	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	Total (in Lakh)
18	Govt. Saiha College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
19	Govt. Kolasib College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
20	Govt. Serchhip College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
21	Govt. Lawngtlai College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
22	Govt. Kamalanagar College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
23	Govt. Mamit College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
24	Govt. Zawlnuam College	3	17.40	17.40	17.40	52.2
	Total	72	417.60	417.60	417.60	1252.8

MEGHALAYA

Proposal: The State had proposed for Faculty Recruitment Support for 20 colleges (6 Government & 14 Government aided institutions). The total amount claimed by the State is 10 cr.

PAB Decision: The PAB considered the proposal and requested the State to provide all the information and resubmit the proposal:

- (i) To follow all the UGC norms for recruitment of additional permanent post;
- (ii) To give commitment to bear all excess expenditure beyond the central funding under RUSA;
- (iii) To commit for taking over the liability of faculty position after the funding for 3 years under RUSA; and
- (iv) To create additional permanent/regular posts over and above the existing sanctioned posts.

PAB asked the State to resubmit their proposal for examination.

JHARKHAND

Component 1: Upgradation of autonomous college to University

Proposal: The State has furnished proposals to upgrade 3 colleges to university, namely (a) Jamshedpur Womens' College, (b) Balanand Sanskrit College, Deoghar, V.B.U, Hazaribagh to Baba Baidyanath Sanskrit University and (c) Cooperative College, Jamshedpur, Kolhan University. A total amount of Rs. 165 crore for 3 proposals @ Rs. 55 crore for each proposal.

PAB Decision: The PAB accorded a conditional approval to upgrade Jamshedpur Women's College to a University for total amount of Rs. 55 crore. The PAB informed the State that the following conditions will have to be adhered to for it to be eligible for funding under this component:

- a) The State should contribute an additional Rs. 15 crore, over and above its State share (Rs. 22 cr).
- b) A girl's hostel facility with a minimum capacity of 500 students needs to be constructed in the University. (The State further informed the PAB that an additional acreage of 20 acres has been provided to this Institution, in addition to the existing land available).
- c) State would have to submit valid NAAC certification of A grade to avail the release of grants under this component.
- d) The infrastructure grant sanctioned to this College in the PAB is being revoked and the amount already released would be adjusted in the central grants to be released for the University.
- e) The State was urged to ensure that the institution participates in the next round of NIRF.

The PAB did not approve the State's request to upgrade the other two Colleges, namely Balanand Sanskrit College, Deoghar, V.B.U, Hazaribagh to Baba

Baidyanath Sanskrit University and Cooperative College, Jamshedpur, Kolhan University as they do not comply with the norms under RUSA.

PAB approved upgradation of Jamshedpur Women's College to a University for total amount of Rs. 55 crore as per the conditions stated above.

Component 6: New Colleges (Professional)

Proposal: State had given proposal for 4 new professional colleges in the Districts of Palamu, Bokaro, Godda & Kodarma for total amount of Rs. 104 crore @ Rs. 26 crore for each college.

PAB Decision: *The PAB approved the setting up of two technical/professional colleges in Districts of Bokaro and for Godda (conditional)* for an amount of Rs. 52 cr for two Colleges. In case of Godda district, the State has been advised to provide additional information about industry linkages, availability of adequate connectivity and residential facilities for prospective students. DPRs have to be submitted for both the colleges. Subject to the fulfilment of these conditions only, funds would be released.

Component 7: Infrastructure grants to colleges

Proposal: State had furnished proposal for infrastructure grants to 39 colleges for a total amount of Rs. 78 crore.

PAB Decision: *The PAB accorded approval to total 27 colleges.* 5 colleges have valid NAAC accreditation (Grade B and above). In the case of S.B.S.S.P.S.J. College, Pathargama, Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka, Godda district- which is a non-LWE district, the PAB recommended infrastructure grants. This is due to the locational disadvantage of this

institution. The remaining 23 colleges in Left-wing extremist (LWE) affected districts with LoI submission have been given conditional approval subject to them getting at least Grade B.

Funding Abstract of Jharkhand

S. No.	Component	Phys ical no.	Funds recommended			
			Total	Central Share	State Share	Condition
1	Component 1: Upgradation of existing autonomous college to university	1	55	33	22	DPR, Submission of NAAC "A" certificate, Rs. 15 crore extra by the State Govt.
2	Component 7: Infrastructure grant to colleges	27	54	32.40	11.6	valid NAAC B++ grade or above for Non LWE Districts. valid NAAC B grade or above for LWE Districts
3	Component 6: New professional college	2	52	31.2	20.8	DPR for Prof. college at Bokaro and Godda
	Total		161	96.6	64.4	

The list of colleges approved under Infrastructure Grants to Colleges

S. No	College Name	Category	NAAC Accreditation & Year Of Accreditation	District	Lwe /Non-Lwe	Condition
1	Jamshedpur Co-Operative College, Kolhan University, West Singhbhum	Govt.	B, First Cycle, May, 2016	West Singhbhum	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
2	Chas College, Bokaro, Vinoba Bhave University	Govt.	Grade B, 05-Nov-2016	Bokaro	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
3	Doranda College, Ranchi	Govt.	Grade B+, Nov' 2016	Ranchi	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
4	K. B. Women's College, Hazaribag, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh	Govt.	B++,16-Sept-2016	Hazaribagh	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
5	S.B.S.S.P.S.J. College, Pathargama, Godda Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka,	Govt. Aided	Grade B, December 2016	Godda	Non - LWE	The PAB Approved This College On A Special Consideration Of A Backward District, Even Though It Had Grade B due to Its locational Disadvantage
6	The Graduate School College For Women, Jamshedpur, Kolhan University, West Singhbhum,	Govt.	Peer Team Likely To Visit After March 17	West Singhbhum	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
7	Jamshedpur Worker's College, Kolhan University, West Singhbhum, East Singhbhum	Govt.	Peer Team Visited In Dec 2016.	West Singhbhum	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above

S. No	College Name	Category	NAAC Accreditation & Year Of Accreditation	District	Lwe /No n-Lwe	Condition
8	B.N.Jalan College, Sisai, Ranchi University, Ranchi	Govt.	LOI On 27/06/2016. Peer Team Will Visit Before March 17.	Gumla	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
9	G.C.Jain College, Kolhan University, Chaibasa, West Singhbhum	Govt.	LOI On 14/07/2016	West Singhbhum	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
10	S.P. College, Dumka, Skmu	Govt.	LOI On 28/07/2016. Peer Team Will Visit In March 17.	Dumka	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
11	Ranchi Women's College, Ranchi	Govt.	LOI On 11/10/2016. Peer Team Visit By March 2017	Ranchi	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
12	B. S. K. College, Maithon, Dhanbad, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh, Dhanbad	Govt.	LOI Accepted On 6/2/2016. Ssr To Be Uploaded In Jan 2017.	Dhanbad	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
13	S. S. Memorial College, Ranchi	Govt.	LOI On 30/1/2016. Ssr Uploaded. Peer Team Visit Planned Before March 2017.	Ranchi	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
14	R.D.B. Mahila College, Deoghar, Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka, Deoghar	Govt.	LOI On 3/5/2016, Ssr Uploaded. Peer Team Visit Planned Before March 2017.	Deoghar	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above

S. No	College Name	Category	NAAC Accreditation & Year Of Accreditation	District	Lwe /No n-Lwe	Condition
15	J.N. College, Dhurwa, Ranchi Ranchi University, Ranchi, Ranchi	Govt.	LOI On 9/2/2016. Ssr To Be Uploaded.	Ranchi	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
16	G.L.A College, Nilamber-Pitamber University, Palamu	Govt.	LOI On 19/4/2016. Ieqa Submitted On 26/4/2016.	Palamu	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
17	Y.S.N.M.College ,Nilamber Pitamber University, Medininagar, Palamu	Govt.	Present LOI Accepted On 15/1/2016. Peer Team Visiting In Mar 17.	Palamu	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
18	Bindeshwari Dubey Awasiya Mahavidyalya Pichhri, Bermo,Bokaro, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh	Govt. Aided	Peer Team Of NAAC Visited In Dec-16	Bokaro	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
19	R. V. S. College, Chas, Bokaro, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh,	Govt. Aided	Peer Team To Visit In March 17.	Bokaro	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
20	Visthapit College, Balidih, Bokaro, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh,	Govt. Aided	LOI 1/9/2015. Peer Team Will Visit Before March 17.	Bokaro	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above

S. No	College Name	Category	NAAC Accreditation & Year Of Accreditation	District	Lwe /No n-Lwe	Condition
21	Jublee College, Bhurkunda, Ramgarh, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh,	Govt. Aided	Peer Team Visited On 16-01-2017	Ramgarh	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
22	P.T.P.S College, Patratu, Ramgarh, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribag	Govt. Aided	LOI On 05/07/2016	Ramgarh	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
23	Mayurakshi Gramin College, Ranishwar, Dumka, Sido Kanho Murmu University, Dumka	Govt. Aided	LOI 13/7/2015, Peer Team To Visit On 27th - 28th February' 2017	Dumka	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
24	A. N. College Dumka, Sido Kanho Murmu University, Dumka	Govt. Aided	LOI On 28/7/2015. Peer Team To Visit On 14th And 15th February'2017	Dumka	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
25	B.B.M. College, Baliyapur, Dhanbad, Vinoba Bhave University, Hazaribagh	Govt. Aided	LOI On 28/7/201. Peer Team To Visit In February'2017	Dhanbad	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
26	Sili College, Silli., Ranchi University, Ranchi	Govt. Aided	LOI On 24/12/2015. Ssr Uploaded On 6th Jan 17	Ranchi	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above
27	Kartik Oraon College, Gumla	Govt.	Peer Team To Visit In Feb 2017	Gumla	LWE	Valid NAAC B Grade Or Above

AGENDA ITEM 3

Decision on relaxation of RUSA norms of expenditure under infrastructure grants in the ratio of 35%:35%:30% for new construction, renovation and equipment for Universities (component 3) and Colleges (component 7) to the State of Chhattisgarh.

Proposal: The State of Chhattisgarh had proposed for relaxation of RUSA norms to utilise the infrastructure grants sanctioned to 54 Colleges in the ratio of 70% for construction activity and 30% for equipment; and to utilise the entire amount of Rs. 20 cr under infrastructure grant to 4 universities (Bilaspur University, Bastar University, Sarguja University and Durg University) for construction activity only.

PAB Decision: The PAB asked the State of Chhattisgarh to ***submit case by case justification*** for 54 Colleges and 4 Universities (each) regarding the need for seeking such a relaxation.

AGENDA ITEM 4

Decision on allowing the State of Madhya Pradesh to build its approved Model degree Colleges in District Head Quarters of Harda, Dindori and Umaria

Proposal: State of Madhya Pradesh was given approval for 5 new Model Degree Colleges (component 4) in the 7th PAB meeting held on 28th March, 2016 for the Educationally Backward Districts of Harda, Sheopur, Jhabua, Umaria and

Dindori. The Places in the Districts for Model Degree colleges mentioned in the SHEP and DPR are given below:

S. No.	District	Places mentioned in the SHEP	Places mentioned in the DPR in the same district
1	Harda	Timarni	Harda District headquarters
2	Sheopur	Sheopur	Sheopur District headquarters
3	Jhabua	Jhabua	Jhabua District headquarters
4	Umaria	Pali	Umaria District headquarters
5	Dindori	Shahpura	Dindori District headquarters

State has submitted Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the 5 model degree colleges. Places for 3 MDCs of Harda, Umaria and Dindori mentioned in the DPR are in the approved District but are not matching with the location mentioned in the SHEP.

PAB Decision: ***PAB approved*** the location of MDCs at Harda, Umaria and Dindori in the District Headquarters as requested by the State and duly incorporated in the DPR and ***asked the State to revise the SHEP accordingly.***

AGENDA ITEM NO 5:

Conversion of college approved under upgradation of existing college to MDC (Component -5) to Infrastructure grants to colleges (component 7) in Kerala

Proposal: The 9th PAB had approved upgradation of N. S. M. Government College Kalpetta, Wayanad to MDC, for which DPR has been submitted. Since the college is situated in the EBD District of Wayanad, it may be funded under the component Infrastructure grants to colleges.

PAB Decision: The *PAB accorded approval for the same.*

AGENDA ITEM 6:

MoU between MHRD and ISRO for Geo-tagging of institutions funded under RUSA

Bhuwan RUSA App of ISRO was launched by Secretary (HE), MHRD in the 10th PAB, held at Shillong on 2nd February, 2016. The App enables geo-tagging of institutions being funded under RUSA by capturing the locational coordinates of the institutions and the photographs reflecting the physical progress. The States on board under RUSA have geo tagged photographs on Bhuwan RUSA.

PAB Decision: *Approved the MoU to be entered into between MHRD and ISRO.*

AGENDA ITEM 7:

Curriculum Reforms

Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) has submitted a proposal amounting to Rs. 5.00 crore for Curriculum Reforms Initiative. The proposal embeds four key ideas in its goal statement: Institutionalization, Incremental reforms, Participatory action and International Support.

Aims of Curriculum Reforms Initiative:

- To improve knowledge, skills, competencies, and employability of new generations learners
- To stimulate and enhance the cognitive and intellectual capabilities of the learner and faculty.
- To improve the domain knowledge and instructional capabilities of the faculty
- Shift from knowledge acquisition to multidimensional education
- Strengthen institutional capacities and create a platform for sustainability of the curriculum reform project

The duration of execution of the program has been proposed from March, 2017 to February 2018.

Based on the presentation made by TISS, the Chair asked for the opinion of all the members and the State representatives. The OSD and Secretary Designate (HE), MHRD desired to know how the findings of needs assessment will get reflected in the proposed roll-out, and also on the need to include accomplished and credible experts from India including expert from globally ranked University. Prof. Shailendra Mehta wanted to know how the institutional buy-in for such a reform would be undertaken. He also raised the issue of design as a initial component in the exercise. He also raised the issue of design as a critical component in the exercise. The State representatives

from Jharkhand, Kerala, Chandigarh, Mizoram and Meghalaya welcomed the much-needed curriculum reforms in the State University system and expressed their willingness to be a part of it. In response, the TISS representative agreed to the suggestions of the OSD and Secretary Designate (HE), MHRD. He further shared the approach to be followed in getting the buy-in of all stakeholders. Further, he shared with the house the design, methodology and the process to be followed in undertaking the initiative on a pilot mode in ten State Universities.

PAB Decision: Based on the presentation made by TISS and the observations from the floor, the Chair, Secretary (HE) underscored the need for such an exercise, both to bring about awareness and create conditions for change in curriculum. He also highlighted the need to look at the theology of preparation of syllabus, undertaking process of reforms and bringing an element of flexibility to curriculum design. The Chair reiterated that curriculum must have technological currency and relevance. He opined that the curriculum reforms project should not be looked in isolation and that the corresponding reforms in examination system should also be embedded in this larger project. He further pointed out that the UGC template approach was a minimum framework and that every effort should be taken to reach higher levels of quality in curriculum reforms and development. He stated that institutions which aspire to quality and excellence ought to bring about curriculum reforms and suggested that the project being proposed should ensure that institutions volunteer for a process of change. TISS was requested to incorporate the suggestions given by the PAB. The Chair finally concluded by stating that RUSA would be failing in its duty if this initiative was not undertaken and therefore, **approved the proposal and funding to the tune of Rs.5 crores.**

Consolidated Funding Abstract of 11th PAB

S. No.	Name of State/ Institution	Component Names	Physical no.	Funds Recommended		
				Total	Central Share	State Share
1	Chandigarh	Infrastructure grant to colleges	10	20	20	NA
		Total (A)		20	20	0
2	Kerala	Infrastructure grants to Universities	2	40	24	16
		Infrastructure grant to colleges	2	4	2.4	1.6
		Total (B)		44	26.4	17.6
3	Mizoram	Faculty Recruitment Support	72 posts	12.528	11.2752	1.2528
		Total (c)		12.528	11.2752	1.2528
4	Jharkhand	Upgradation of existing autonomous college to university	1	55	33	22
		Infrastructure grant to colleges	27	54	32.4	11.6
		New professional college	2	52	31.2	20.8
		Total (D)		161	96.6	64.4
5	TISS	Curriculum reforms	-	5	5	-
Grand Total				242.528	159.2752	83.2528

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6	MHRD	Sh. Fazal Mehmood	Dy. Secretary (Finance)
7	MHRD	Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Narayan	Under Secretary (HE)
8	MHRD	Ms. Jenice George	Assistant Section Officer
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