

**No.M-12015/1/2011-HRD  
Planning Commission**

**Yojana Bhavan, Sansad Marg,  
New Delhi-110001**

**Dated: 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2011**

**ORDER**

**Subject: Formulation of the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17) – Constitution of Working Group on Higher Education – regarding.**

In the context of the formulation of the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17), it has been decided to set up a Working Group on Higher Education under the Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development.

2. The Composition of the Working Group is at **Annexure I**
3. The Terms of Reference of the Working Group are given at **Annexure- II**
4. The Chairperson of the Working Group, if deemed necessary, may constitute sub-groups and/or may co-opt additional members.
5. The Working Group will finalize its report by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2011.
  
6. The expenditure on TA/DA etc. of the official members in connection with the meetings of the Working Group will be borne by the parent Department/Ministry/Organization to which the official belongs, as per the rules of entitlement applicable to them. The non-official members of the Working Group will be entitled to TA/DA as admissible to Grade- I officers of the Government of India and this expenditure will be borne by the Convener Department.

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**Annexure-I**

**LIST OF EXPERTS FOR THE WORKING GROUP ON HIGHER EDUCATION–  
TWELFTH FIVE YEAR PLAN.**

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| 1. <b>Ms. Vibha Puri Das</b><br><b>Secretary,</b><br><b>Department of Higher Education, MHRD</b>   | <b>- Chairperson</b> |
| 2. Secretary,<br>Department of Science and Technology,<br>GOI                                      | Member               |
| 3. Secretary,<br>Department of Information Technology,<br>GOI                                      | Member               |
| 4. Secretary,<br>Department of Telecommunications,<br>GOI  | Member               |
| 5. Dr. B.K.Gairola,<br>DG,NIC  | Member               |
| 6. Prof. K.B. Patil,<br>Vice- Chancellor,<br>North Maharashtra University,<br>Jalgaon, Maharashtra | Member               |
| 7. Dr. Jagdish Arora,<br>INFLIBNET,<br>Gujarat   | Member               |
| 8. Prof. Fr. Xavier Alphonse,<br>Director,<br>MCRDCE, Chennai                                      | Member               |
| 9. Prof. A.K. Singh,<br>VC, Allahabad University,<br>Uttar Pradesh,                                | Member               |
| 10. Prof. Zoya Hassan,<br>JNU, New Delhi   | Member               |
| 11. Prof. Suranjan Das,<br>Vice Chancellor, University of Calcutta,                                | Member               |

12. Prof. J A K Tareen Vice Chancellor, Pondicherry University	Member
13. Prof. (Dr.) Surabhi Banerjee, VC, Central University, Koraput	Member
14. Prof. Rajesh Sachdeva, Director, CIIL, Mysore	Member
15. Dr. Meenakshi Gopinath, Principal, Lady Sri Ram College, Delhi	Member
16. Prof. Bhaskar Thorat UICT, University of Mumbai Nathalal Parekh Marg, Matunga, Mumbai-400019.	Member
17. Prof. Furqan Qamar, VC, Central University of HP, Dharamshala	Member
18. Prof. Pradip Narayan Ghosh , VC, Jadavpur University	Member
19. Dr. Ram Prasad Sengupta, Former Dean of Social Sciences, JNU	Member
20. Dr. Suhas Pednekar, Principal, Ram Narain Ruia College, Matunga, Mumbai	Member
21. Rev. Dr. B. Jeyaraj, SJ, Principal, Loyola College, Chennai	Member
22. Dr. Ravindrasinh G. Pardeshi , Principal, Fergusson College, F.C. Road, Pune	Member

23. Prof. Riyaz Punjabi, Vice-Chancellor, University of Kashmir	Member
24. Prof.K. Kannan, Nagaland University	Member
23. Dr. Vijay Khare Director, Dr. Ambedkar Studies Centre University of Pune	Member
25. Prof. Amita Chattopadhyay, Vice-Chancellor, Presidency University,	Member
26. Prof. (Dr.) Mamata Ray, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Kolkata University	Member
27. Dr. Sujatha Ramadorai, Professor, School of Mathematics, TIFR, Mumbai	Member
28. Prof. R.C. Sobti, Vice Chancellor, Panjab University	Member
29. Dr. Sheela Ramchandran, VC, Avinashilingam Deemed University for Women, Coimbatore	Member
30. Dr. P .A. Inamdar, President, Maharashtra Cosmopolitan society Pune.	Member
31. Dr. N.K. Bansal, Former Head of CES, IIT, Delhi and Former V.C. of Mata Vaishnodevi University, Katra, J&K	Member
32. Prof.H.S.A.Yayha, OSD, AMU Malappuram Centre, Perinthalmanna, Kerala	Member
33. Principal Secretary (HE), Govt. of Bihar	Member
34. Principal Secretary (HE), Govt. of Chhattisgarh	Member

35. Principal Secretary (HE), Govt. of Maharashtra	Member
36. Principal Secretary (HE), Govt. of Haryana	Member
37. Principal Secretary (HE), Govt. of Manipur	Member
38. Principal Secretary (HE), Govt. of Tamil Nadu	Member
39. Principal Secretary (HE), Govt. of West Bengal	Member
40. Shri Pawan Agarwal, Adviser (HE), Planning Commission	Member
41. Ms. Shakila Shamsu Joint Adviser (HRD) Planning Commission	Member
42. Shri A.K. Singh Joint Secretary, DoHE MHRD, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi-110001	Member
43. Shri Amit Khare Joint Secretary, DoHE MHRD, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi-110001	Member
44. Dr. (Mrs. ) Anita Bhatnagar Jain, Joint Secretary, DoHE MHRD, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi-110001	Member
45. Shri N.K. Sinha Additional Secretary (TEL), Dept. of HE, MHRD Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi-110001	Member
46. Shri Sunil Kumar, Additional Secretary, (HE), Dept. of HE, MHRD Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi-110001	<b>- Member-Convener</b>

**TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE WORKING GROUP ON HIGHER EDUCATION – TWELFTH FIVE YEAR PLAN.**

1. To review the present status of higher education in the country, with a particular focus on medium (2012-17) and long term (10-15 years) development perspectives.
2. To examine critically the issues of access, equity and quality and relevance of the higher education system in the context of globalization and structural changes in the national economy
  - o To suggest ways and measures to increase enrolment in higher education in the relevant age group in a cost effective manner.
  - o To ascertain how far conventional and open universities system has reached educationally backward areas
  - o Improve quality of teaching, with focus on curricular and examination reforms, upgradation of infrastructure, filling up of vacant faculty positions, greater use of ICTs, provision of broadband connectivity, revision/modernization of syllabi to take care of emerging needs.
3. To examine the various reforms, including regulatory reforms that have been initiated in the XI Plan and reviewed in the Mid Term Appraisal of XI Plan and suggest roadmap for effective implementation
4. To assess the academic and infrastructure standards of the State Universities/Colleges with a view to minimizing disparities in quality standards and measures to channelize greater flow of funds to State Universities/ colleges.
5. To suggest measures for bringing girls, SC&STs, OBCs, Minorities, the disabled and other disadvantaged groups on par with the rest, in the area of Higher Education and also address regional imbalances in access and quality standards of higher education
6. To assess the progress of new institutions set up in the XI Plan and review all the Central institutions and project its growth trajectory in XII Plan
7. To suggest measures for providing adequate financial and other support to talented and needy students, desirous of pursuing Higher Education
8. To suggest ways for ICT enabled education and technology infusion in higher education.
9. To suggest measures for internal and external resource generation in the higher education system
10. Suggest measures for upgrading a few existing selected universities with a "potential for excellence" in the XII Plan and also creating world class institutions
11. To lay down clear mechanisms for capacity building and specific schemes for faculty development
12. To suggest a long-term vision and short term proposals for creating infrastructural facilities for differently abled students.
13. To suggest policy measures for private sector participation

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**ORDER**

**Subject: Formulation of the Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17) -Constitution of Steering Committee for Higher and Technical Education-addenda of new members -regarding.**

This is in continuation of Order No.M-12015/1/2011-HRD dated 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2011 regarding Constitution of Steering Committee for Higher & Technical Education for the Twelfth Five Year Plan. Member (Education), Planning Commission, Chairman of the Steering Committee on Higher and Technical Education is pleased to include the following new Members to serve on this Committee.

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| 1. Shri Ashok Thakur,<br>Spl. Secretary (TE),<br>Dept. Of Higher Education, MHRD | Member |
| 2. Shri Sunil Kumar,<br>Additional Secretary, (HE),<br>Dept. of HE, MHRD         | Member |
| 3. Shri N.K Sinha<br>Additional Secretary (TEL),<br>Dept, of HE, MHRD            | Member |
| 4. Shri A.K. Singh<br>Joint Secretary, DoHE, MHRD                                | Member |
| 5. Dr. ( Mrs.) Anita Bhatnagar Jain,<br>Joint Secretary, DoHE, MHRD              | Member |
| 6. Shri Amit Khare<br>Joint Secretary, DoHE, MHRD,                               | Member |
| 7. Dr. Vijay P. Goel,<br>Dy. Director General (Statistics)<br>DoHE, MHRD         | Member |
| 8. Dr.B.N Pandey,<br>Former Vice-Chancellor,<br>Magadh University, Bihar         | Member |
| 9. Prof .Mohammad Mujtaba Khan   | Member |

Director, K.R.Narayanan Centre for Dalit & Minorities Studies  
Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi

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| 10. Dr. Kavita Sharma,<br>Director, India International Centre, New Delhi                                  | Member |
| 11. Dr. Pankaj Mittal,<br>Vice-Chancellor,<br>Bhagat Phool Singh Mahila Vishwavidyala,<br>Sonapat, Haryana | Member |

II. The Terms of Reference are as follows:-

- (a) To formulate broad objectives and identify thrust areas in the higher and technical education sectors for the Twelfth Five Year Plan.
- (b) To enhance access with substantial additional intake capacity in higher, technical and professional education aligned to skills needs of the economy.
- (c) To provide all necessary guidance to the Working Groups.
- (d) To work out financial requirements of Higher and Technical Education and suggest outlays based on Working Groups recommendations and to set monitor able outcomes for the Plan.
- (e) To work out an operational strategy for implementation of the recommendations of the Working Groups/ Task Force/Committees of MHRD and to suggest changes, if any.

III. The expenses towards TA/DA of the official members will be met by the respective Governments /Departments /Institutions to which they belong. Non-official members will be entitled to travel only by Executive Class of Air India and their expenditure towards TA/DA (as admissible to Grade I officers of the Government of India) will be paid by the Planning Commission.

IV The Chairperson of the Steering Committee, if deemed necessary, may constitute Sub- Groups/Taskforce and / or may co-opt additional members.

V. The Steering Committee will submit its report by 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2011

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