

**Governor's Secretariat
Raj Bhawan**

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Minutes of Meeting

The Forth meeting of the Task force on Higher Education was convened on 20th August, 2020 under the Chairmanship of Secretary to Governor at Raj Bhawan Jaipur. Sh. Subir Kumar, Chairperson Task force, Members of Task force and officers of Governor's Secretariat participated in the meeting through Video Conferencing using Microsoft Teams software. The list of participants is enclosed at Annexure-'A'.

Secretary to Governor welcomed Members of Task force in the meeting and briefed them regarding the structure planned for the meeting. The agenda of the meeting is enclosed at Annexure-'B'.

Chairperson invited the views of the members on the New Education Policy 2020.

During the discussion main observations of the Members of Task Force are as follows-

1. **Prof. A. K. Gahlot, Member, Advisory Committee of Hon'ble Governor** and Special invitee Task Force, elaborated New Education Policy (NEP) 2020, narrating main futures of the Policy as:

- Large, multidisciplinary Universities and Colleges, with at least one in or near every district.
- More multidisciplinary undergraduate education.
- Faculty and institutional autonomy.
- Revamping curriculum, Pedagogy, Assessment, and Student Support.
- Merit- appointments and career progression.
- National Research Foundation to fund.
- Governance by high qualified independent boards.
- Focus on establishing multidisciplinary Universities.
- Choice of students to take course study with in or out side their stream.
- Digital Education/ automation in Under Graduate courses.
- "Light but tight" regulations by a single regulator.
- Increased access, equity, and inclusion through-greater opportunities, scholarships, online education, and Open Distance Learning, and available to learners with disabilities.

Prof. Gahlot was of the view that the State Government will have a major role in getting the changes in the Act of Universities for the suggested change in the Policy from Single Disciplinary University to Multidisciplinary University.

Comments/ Observations of Members of Task Force

2. Prof. R. A. Gupta, Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan Technical University, Kota-

- University is already multidisciplinary presently running with core and elective courses.
- University has Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) with continuous assessment.
- Presently working on multiple entry and exit options.
- Identified teachers who are expert in their subject and their e-contents are loaded on Youtube.
- Notes of faculty is being monitored by team of experts.
- Practicals are conducted through Virtual Labs.
- Committee on NEP 2020 has been constituted which will submit its report.

3. Prof. J. S. Sandhu, Vice Chancellor, Sri Karan Narendra Agriculture University, Jobner-

- Senior Professors of the University have been requested to prepare a Presentation for educating faculty and students.
- Orientation programs are required for improving online teaching by faculty.
- Specialization in any stream may be at PG level but UG should be multidisciplinary to developed vision amongst students.
- Vocational courses should be run in morning and evening by Universities to generate financial resources.
- Each University should make their Roadmap for NEP 2020 which may be integrated later.

4. Prof. R. K. S. Dhakarey, Vice Chancellor, Maharaja Surajmal Brij University, Bharatpur-

- Affiliating Universities will be phasing out by 2030 and Autonomous Colleges will be converted into Degree granting Colleges.
- Affiliating Universities generate income from Affiliated Colleges, with the Colleges being autonomous, the Policy will effect Financial Health of Affiliating Universities, therefore, Universities must strengthen Self Financing System by

bringing new courses so as to create financial stability in next 10 years.

- In case Affiliated Colleges move towards Autonomy, they will have to appoint quality teachers in their Colleges.
- Universities will have to create a large panel of Guest faculty for teaching minor subjects under CBCS.
- Affiliating Universities should have Uniform syllabi for major and minor subjects.
- Each University should setup computerised testing centres so as to facilitate their students to undergo testing in their own University before appearing at National level.
- Universities should setup FM Channel Radio Station for their students.

5. Prof. R. P. Singh, Vice Chancellor, MDS University, Ajmer-

- The University is already running CBCS as per recommendation of Rajbhawan.
- There is a need to change mindset of faculty members for faster implementation of NEP 2020.
- The Governor Secretariat should recommend to change the Acts and Statues of Universities for bringing change in the syllabi so as to bring it at par with National level for enabling students to compete at National level.
- The quality and level of Research needs a sea change.
- NEP 2020 should be implemented in holistic manner from primary to University level.

6. Director, College Education-

- A committee has already been constituted at the State level to discuss details of NEP 2020 and this will be followed by conferences with major Govt. and Private Colleges and NITs, to study the impact of NEP 2020 on Higher Education of the State.
- Assistant and Associate Professors of Colleges will be trained to develop e-content for creating repository in the state.
- There is need to clarify the extent of Lockdown/ Unlocking to decide extent of online learning in the Institutions.

Principal OSD to Hon'ble Governor-

- NEP 2020 has highly recommended for moving to large Multidisciplinary Universities and Higher Education clusters.
- Each District should have minimum one Higher Education Institute of repute.
- Universities has to decide as to what all is to be done for moving to large Multidisciplinary Universities.

- Each University may constitute a Working Group of 4 to 5 members having Brain Storming Session and convey their inputs to Task Force, based on which a consolidated recommendation may be conveyed to the State Government.
- For existing Institution, which are of high educational repute, strengthening is to be done and be made multidisciplinary.
- Meetings are to be convened on NEP 2020, before reaching final conclusion. This will be a similar exercise which the Task force did for online learning and examinations earlier during COVID-19, period and the recommendations were given well before UGC's recommendations.

Based on the above deliberations, in his concluding remarks Secretary to Governor and Chairman Task Force gave following directions-

- Micro level Task force is to be constituted by every State Finance University.
- The Task Force constituted at University should do Brain Storming and convey their recommendations to Governor's Secretariat which will be integrated by the Task Force to convey it's recommendations to all SFU's and State Government.
- Vice-Chancellors should constitute a Committee at micro level in the Universities to sensitise faculty and students about NEP 2020 and it's implementation in their respective Universities.
- Universities have to equip themselves for financial resource generation and for this they need to do a Brain Storming to take care of financial health of the University.
- Director College Education has to take up the task for orientation of 2100 Institutions after they being autonomous.
- **Report of every University should be submitted to Raj Bhawan before 1st September 2020, so that it can be discussed in the next meeting of the Task Force.**

Meeting ended with thanks to the Chair by Member Secretary.


 (Dr. Anuj Saxena)
 Member Secretary Task Force

Copy forwarded to the following for information and necessary action.:

1. Principal OSD to Hon'ble Governor, Raj Bhawan, Jaipur.
2. Prof. A. K. Gahlot, Member, Advisory Committee, Hon'ble Governor, Rajbhawan, Jaipur.
3. Prof. R. K. S. Dhakarey, Vice Chancellor, Brij University, Bharatpur.
4. Prof. R. A. Gupta, Vice Chancellor, RTU, Kota.
5. Prof R. P. Singh, Vice Chancellor, MDS University, Ajmer.
6. Prof. J. S. Sandhu, Vice Chancellor, SKN University, Jobner.
7. Prof. P. C. Trivedi, Vice Chancellor, JNV University, Jodhpur.
8. All Vice Chancellor of SFU's.
9. Smt. Sandhya Sharma, Financial Advisor, Raj Bhawan, Jaipur.
10. OSD-II, Higher Education, Rajbhawan.
11. PS to Secretary to Hon'ble Governor.
12. PS to Director, College Education Shiksha Sankul, Jaipur.



OSD-I, Higher Education

**List of the Members attended online meeting of Task Force convened on
20-08-2020 at 10:30 AM**

S No	Task Force Members	Position
1	Secretary to Governor	Chairperson
2	Prof. R K S Dhakarey Vice Chancellor, Maharaja Surajmal Brij University, Bharatpur	Member
3	Prof. R A Gupta Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan Technical University, Kota	Member
4	Prof R P Singh Vice Chancellor, MDS University, Ajmer	Member
5	Prof. J S Sandhu Vice Chancellor, SKN University, Jobner	Member
6	Smt. Sandhya Sharma Financial advisor, Governor's Secretariat	Member
7	Commissioner College Education	Special Invitee
8	Prof. A. K. Gahlot Ex. Vice Chancellor, Rajasthan University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences. Bikaner	Special Invitee
9	Dr. Anuj Saxena OSD I, Higher Education	Member Secretary

'टास्क फोर्स' की बैठक हेतु एजेण्डा बिन्दु

1. नई शिक्षा नीति NEP 2020 पर सदस्यों के विचार एवं राज्य में नीति के क्रियान्वयन पर चर्चा।
2. कोविड-19 की परिस्थितियों में आगामी शिक्षा सत्र में विश्वविद्यालयों द्वारा प्रदत्त की जा रही ई-लर्निंग की तैयारी एवं उसके प्रभावी क्रियान्वयन हेतु सदस्यों के सुझाव।